

## PRESS RELEASE

### EWA Awards Honorary Membership

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#### **Hennef, 12.05.2023: The European Water Association gives Honorary Membership to Professor José Saldanha Matos (PT).**

The European Water Association (EWA) has decided to honour Professor José Saldanha Matos with the prestigious Honorary Membership of the association.



José Saldanha Matos is a full Professor at IST-U since 2008, the School of Engineering of the University of Lisbon, Portugal, chairing the Environment and Water Resources area of the Department of Civil Engineering, Architecture and Georesources (DECivil). Professor Matos has been a very active member of the EWA. He was president of the association in 2017-2019, he is also member of the European Policy Committee and has given many presentations in past conferences or webinars. Among other, Professor Matos was the president of the Portuguese Association for Environmental and Sanitary Engineering (APESB), between 2007 and 2011, and fellow of the International Water Association, IWA, since 2010. He is also president of the Portuguese Water Partnership since 2020.

Author (or co-author) of more than 250 publications and more than 200 Master Plans and Detailed Projects in water supply, wastewater collection and treatment, or storm water drainage for urban settlements in Angola, Brazil, Cap Vert, Kazakhstan, Mozambique, Portugal, Tanzania and Uzbekistan, including The Lisbon Drainage Master Plan , the Drainage and Sanitation Master Plan of the Greater Maputo area, in Mozambique, funded by the World Bank, or the Drainage and Sanitation Master Plan for the seven major coastal cities of the North and South of Angola, funded by the African Development Bank .

José Matos is receiving the title of Honorary Member because of his dedication to the European Water Association for many years and counting. He has been a member of the EWA Council since 2006, initiated during his presidency the research membership, and successfully developed it.

During the EWA Council Meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup> in Antwerp, following the EWA/VLARIO Spring Conference, José Saldanha Matos received his certificate and pin and was congratulated for his outstanding contribution to the EWA.

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About the European Water Association (EWA):

The European Water Association is an independent non-governmental and non-profit making organisation dealing with the management and improvement of the water environment. As an NGO, EWA represents an extensive network of water professionals and specialist such as national member associations, corporate members and research members. The EWA provides a forum for the discussion of key technical and policy issues in Europe and its regions.

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