# EXPERIMENTAL CONSTRUCTED WETLAND PLANT FOR THE TREATMENT OF STORMWATER CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION OF RISPESCIA



### **ORIGINAL NEED**

Considered the naturalistic value or the area and the role of scientificdidactic pole that the Center for Environmental Education of the Municipality of Grosseto play not only in the municipal area, the realization of an "experimental" natural depuration plant comes in a context of great cultural relevance, determined by the historicenvironmental characteristics of the Regional Park of Maremma and by the didactic activities and events that take place in the Center (Festambiente).



View of the FWS stage

#### **LOCATION**

Municipality of Grosseto Province of Grosseto Tuscany Italy

**COMMITTANT** Municipality of Grosseto

WASTEWATER TYPOLOGY Stormwaters

#### PLANT TYPOLOGY SFS-h + FWS

**AREA (M2)** total 315 (60+255)

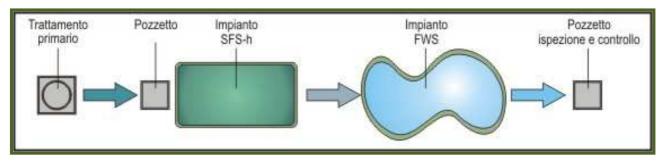
COST Around € 56.000

YEAR OF REALIZATION 2001

### **DESCRIPTION**

The project, therefore, aims to extend the character of environmental "laboratory" of the Center, giving to it the possibility to stand as "provincial" centre for the development of natural depuration themes. For this, it will be realized a didactic path to show the solution implemented, that not for case reproduce two of the most typologies used at the international level: horizontal subsurface flow and free water systems.





### Scheme of the plant

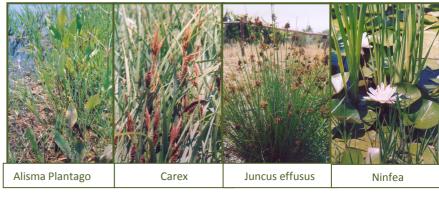
Purification system will treat part of the stormwater collected by impervious surfaces of the Center, like squares and roofs. Treated rainwater will be able to be reused for WC flushes or irrigation.

The multi-stage system has a total useful area of 315 m2. The plant is composed by:

- Horizontal subsurface flow basin with an area of 60 m 2;
- Free water surface basin with an area of 255 m 2.
- Well service.

## **VEGETAL TYPOLOGY**

Free water system, designed to recreate many different microhabitats, has allowed to put different vegetal species; so, we reconstructed a typical aquatic environment with species that time ago populated the area of Maremma.



The plant has a very low environmental impact and can be used without dangers by visitors.





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