

DRY SANITATION IN EUROPE

Dry sanitation is a viable option for sanitation not just in developing countries but in developed countries as well. Especially in rural areas without sewerage systems the dry toilet is often more practical, inexpensive and environmentally sound choice than water based sanitation. Dry Toilet reduces the amount of produced waste water and especially the nutrients in waste water.

The Global Dry Toilet Club of Finland will construct demonstration sites of modern dry toilets in few EU countries. The demonstration sites will combine the local construction style and traditions with modern dry toilet technology.

In addition, a general Dry Toilet Guide will be edited for each country. The Guide will cover the basics of modern dry toilet technology and usage of the dry toilet outputs with respect to country specific regulations as well as sanitation habits and needs. The Dry Toilet Guide will be distributed to authorities and interested associations.



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The Global Dry Toilet Club Of Finland



DRY TOILETS TO EUROPE -Project

The Global Dry Toilet Club of Finland promotes dry sanitation through various projects. The range of projects reaches from the grass root level education in Finland to international projects in EU and developing countries.

DRY SANITATION IN FINLAND

Finland has a long history in dry sanitation and is one of the leading countries in modern dry toilet technology. The legislation in Finland concerning toilet waste management and rural waste water management has gone through vast revising in recent years.

However, up to date information concerning dry sanitation is not widely available for general public.

The most common question of the future dry toilet owners in Finland is “Could I talk to somebody who has a dry toilet?”.

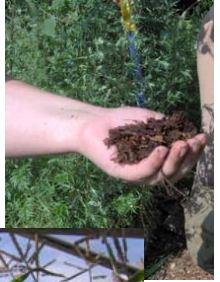
After the toilet has been in use for while, the question changes to “What do I do with the toilet waste?”.

The Global Dry Toilet Club of Finland will answer these questions through projects.



Dry Toilet Output Management Guide

Proper dry toilet output management has a crucial role in closing the nutrient cycle and protection of environment. Dry toilets outputs are excellent fertilizers and soil improvement agents.



The Global Dry Toilet Club of Finland produces for the municipal authorities, waste managers and dry toilet users the Dry Toilet Output Management Guide. The Guide will give clear instructions on planning the maintenance, composting of excreta, use of urine and disposal of dry toilet waste with practical examples. The Guide will be in test use for the summer 2005 and published in March 2006.



Indoor dry toilet demonstration sites

The Global Dry Toilet Club is constructing ten demonstration sites of indoor dry toilets in private and public places. These sites will give the public change to visit a genuine indoor dry toilet, to see and smell it.

The experiences of the demonstration site residents in selection of the model, construction costs, installation, maintenance and usage of the dry toilet will be recorded. All the work phases and experiences will be documented and published for further use.

