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# Artificial Intelligence for sustainability: a data-driven tongue for Barcelona drinking water





# The water cycle



Complex

Heterogeneous

Distributed

Critical

Highly dynamic



## The challenge



AI for sustainability: to build a data-driven digital tongue to expand the use of tap water in Barcelona

- On-going effort to improve the odour and taste of tap water in Barcelona.
- The perception taste of water is a complex function which depends on multiple factors (source, compound matrix, weather...).
- The ability to model and infer in real-time the perceived taste of water may provide relevant insight to improve the operation.



## Tech

- Sensor data (a lot) on water parameters (temperature, PH, conductivity, turbidity....)
- Labelled data on perceived water taste
- AI
- Computing infrastructure
- Hyperspectral imaging?
- Edge-computing and distributed Machine Learning?





But also



Real-world deployment



Real-world experts

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