# Berlin's small lakes A treasure of urban nature



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#### Citizen Science in our project AD4GD

Measuring and monitoring the water quality of the more than 600 small lakes and ponds in Berlin is timeconsuming, as each lake has to be considered individually and a wide range of different data is required
to assess the situation. Our AD4GD project utilises the support of interested citizens. Using simple
measurements and observation techniques, new data were generated for many of these small water
bodies and are now available for data processing. Since August, we have found volunteers for 25 lakes
who regularly take sampes and analyse water and more interested citizens have registered for the
programme. In addition, observations have been added to numerous lakes using the CrowdWater app.
Thank you very much for your support!

#### Water ranger observe 25 small lakes

We have starts the citizen science campaign about water quality in Berlin's lakes and ponds. Water ranger independently carry out regular measurements and observations of nutrients, temperature,



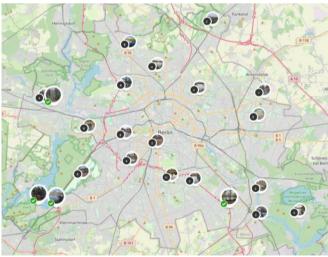
conductivity and pH and describe turbidity and visibility depth.

The collected data analysed by KWB are a valuable data base for Berlin's small lakes.

Further information and registration options: https://www.kompetenz-wasser.de/en/forschung/projekte/ad4gd-mitmachen

## Use of the CrowdWater-App to assess the ecological status of small lakes and ponds

Since the adaptation of the CrowdWater app in summer 2024, interested citizens have been able to monitor water bodies and collect data on water levels, ecosystem characteristics and pollution.



So far, 88 observations have been made in Berlin. The aim is to supplement existing monitoring programmes in the long term. Volunteers are always welcome to set up new spots on Berlin's lakes and add observations.

Further information on downloading and use:

https://crowdwater.ch

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