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## Floating Farm Rotterdam as Living Lab & Launch Floating energy station *Event*

**Rotterdam, The Netherlands, 10-12-2022** – On 16 December Floating Farm Rotterdam will start proceedings to explore the possibility of joining the first water Living Labs in the World as part of the H2020 EU WaterMining program. The day will be marked by launching Floating Farms new Wind/Power solution to combat the rising threat of extreme sea level changes to power supplies around the world due to climate change.

Floating Farm Rotterdam is a circular floating farm in the port of Rotterdam and consists of a dairy farm, milk factory and laboratory. The farm demonstrates a unique climate adaptive concept that makes it possible to grow not only vegetables and crops but also to provide dairy, meat and eggs for human consumption. Enabling these possibilities Floating Farm Rotterdam provides agriculture businesses with a solution to keep feeding populations in a changing world.

Floating Farm Rotterdam joint the WaterMining project 2 years ago with the aim of exploring the benefits of implementing the Living Lab methodology. With Floating Farm Rotterdam having a similar view on the user centred approach as a Living Lab the Floating Farm Rotterdam is close to being a full Living Lab.

To demonstrate this vision Floating Farm designed a floating energy station(together with Damen Shipyards and the Hogeschool Rotterdam University of Applied Science) to power future Floating Farms and make optimal use of the free energy provided by nature. The energy station will host windmills, solar panels and is fitted with a inbuild water desalination unit to provide clean water for agricultural purposes or for human consumption.

**Floating Farm Rotterdam** - Is the first floating farm in the world. Priorities are: animal welfare, circularity, durability and innovation. Producing healthy food in cities, close to the consumer.

**Damen Shipyards** - Damen is an international shipyard group but at its heart, there is still a family company. They operate in every market where they see an opportunity to improve, innovate or invest.

**Hogeschool Rotterdam University of Applied Science** - Hogeschool Rotterdam University of Applied Science is a education institute in Rotterdam for technical studies and was created due to the fusion of several educational institutes in Rotterdam.

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