

# Sessions at WWWeek At Home with Dutch contributions

## 24-28 August 2020

- **Potential of decentralized solutions to address climate change**

*Monday 24 August | 12:00-12:45*

1001 Fontaines | Aqua for All | Danone | GSM Association | The Stone Family Foundation | Untapped | Water4

The session will showcase how decentralized Safe Water Enterprise (SWE) business models, through their inherent flexibility, modularity, sustainability, and resiliency, are important solutions to ensuring safe water for all in the face of climate change.

Just four percent of total multilateral climate funding goes to the water sector, despite the fact that water is the main vehicle through which communities adapt. The event seeks to shift this status quo and engage potential climate funders and stakeholders in supporting innovative water supply projects by highlighting the climate benefits and opportunities inherent to decentralized Safe Water Enterprises (SWEs).

The event will kick off with findings from a SWE climate study (sponsored by key stakeholders in the space, including Danone Communities and Aqua For All), with a focus on quantitative and qualitative data that highlights the dimensions by which SWE models showcase climate change mitigation, including the energy used to extract and treat water, the use of carbon credits, and the waste produced by SWEs (including plastics). The presentation of findings will be bolstered by 2-3 concrete business examples.

The session will culminate in a panel, featuring key funders and enablers – ranging from those already active in the space to those only starting to explore decentralized models. The panel will discuss the potential these stakeholders see in SWEs and what additional data and evidence they would need to commit further capital to scale this solution.

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- **How to finance climate change adaptation in transboundary basins?**

*Monday 24 August | 15:00-15:45*

African Development Bank | Government of the Netherlands | Inter-American Development Bank | International Network of Basin Organizations | Switzerland Government | United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Many transboundary basins struggle in accessing funds for climate change adaptation. The showcase will illustrate through recommendations, approaches and good practices how to access such funds. It will also demonstrate how legal and institutional frameworks for cooperation, such as the Water Convention and River Basin Organizations, can facilitate climate investments.

Transboundary cooperation in climate change adaptation in shared basins is crucial for promoting resilience and sustainable development and preventing conflicts. However, countries and river basin organizations often face difficulties in accessing financial resources for transboundary adaptation.

The showcase will illustrate how some of the basins developed successfully climate change projects at the transboundary level in recent years and received financing from climate and other funds, such as the Niger and Volta basins. In some of them, innovative approaches such as blue peace bonds and pooled funding from several donors were applied or are currently being tested. Conditions and enabling factors will be analysed, such as partnerships between different transboundary, national, international and financial actors as well as strong legal and institutional frameworks at basin level. In this regard, the role of the Water Convention, basin agreements and river basin organizations will be analysed. Financial institutions such as multilateral development banks and climate funds will also contribute to the showcase by explaining their requirements for bankable projects proposals.

The audience will be encouraged to ask questions to the basins and international financial institutions.

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- **Adapt our World: climate adaptation through water action**

Monday 24 August | 16:00-16:45

Global Center on Adaptation | Government of the Netherlands | World Bank Group | World Resources Institute

Water is the solutions broker and the entry point for all climate adaptation possibilities; from nature based solutions and resilient cities to agriculture and energy. Water is an enabler. How can we convey within the water sector and to other sectors that water and all themes are inextricably linked? The goal of the WAT is to accelerate and scale up climate adaptation using water and the water sector as an essential enabler and connector to safeguard a sustainable and resilient future for all everywhere. What should the role of the GCA's Water Action Track be? And what can partners in and outside the water sector offer?

The impacts of climate change are integrally connected to water systems and resources. Water is to adaptation what energy is to mitigation. Extreme weather events, including droughts and floods, are becoming more frequent and more severe and will negatively affect human development, as will increasing water scarcity and deteriorating water quality. Growing water risks threaten food security, economic growth, and urban development. Global security is also at risk, as increasing competition for water sparks conflict and migration. Vulnerable populations are impacted the hardest. The GCA reemphasizes that water is key to climate adaption in a holistic and all-encompassing manner.

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The WAT team will explain the link between water and climate adaptation, will update you on its work, and actively engage participants on next steps.

**Introduction WAT ( 10 min)**

- What are we doing? What are the plans? (ia workplan and CoP)
- What is our added value? What validates our existence?
- Goal of this meeting: where do YOU think our added value is? And how can you contribute to that?

**Questions and discussion round. (15 min)**

- What can you contribute? What do we need to do to create/confirm our added value?

**Pledges and commitments (15 min)**

- Pledges of some parties to contribute to WAT and CoP in a certain way. What can YOU do?

**Conclusion and thank you (5 min)**

- Summary of commitments and pledges
- Arousing end message

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- **WW4D - Finance and Governance**

*Tuesday 25 August / 10:15-15:30*

Caritas | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH | Directorate-General for International Cooperation, The Netherlands | End Water Poverty | FundiFix | IRC | Lusaka Water and Sewerage Company | Sanitation and Water for All | UDUMA | University of Oxford | Uptime | Water For Good | Water Integrity Network | Water Mission | Whave | World Bank Group

**10:00 - 10:15 Recap Day 1 & Daily Agenda Overview**

**10:15 - 11:45 Understanding the political economy and costs of development finance for water infrastructure**

GIZ, Dutch Directorate-General for International Cooperation (DGIS)

**11:45 - 12:40 Whodunnit? Tracking down and learning from smooth financial & technical cooperation cases**

GIZ, International Water and Sanitation Centre (IRC), Sanitation and Water for All (SWA)

**12:45 - 13:55 Subsidies viewed through an equity lens – rethink & reform**

GIZ, World Bank, Lusaka Water and Sanitation Company

**14:00 - 14:55 WASH needs funding, funding needs innovation -Highlights from Uganda: Innovative financing mechanisms for urban sanitation**

GIZ, Caritas-Hewasa Fort Portal

**15:00 - 15:45 Governments, Pay Your Water Bills!**

Water Integrity Network (WIN), End Water Poverty (EWP), Eastern and Southern African Water and Sanitation Regulators Association (ESAWAS)

**15:45 - 16:30 Results-based Contracts for Rural Water Services**

GIZ, Uptime Consortium (Fundifix, Water for Good, Water Mission, UDUMA, Whave, Oxford University)

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- **Water and politics for climate impact**

*Tuesday 25 August / 12:00-12:45*

Both ENDS | South Africa Department of Water and Sanitation | World Meteorological Organization | World Resources Institute

All life on earth relies on sufficient and clean water. Floods, droughts, and pollution aggravated by rapid urbanization, loss of aquatic ecosystems, growing demand for food and energy, migration, and climate change lead to ever more complex interactions and trade-offs. The novel pandemic has reinforced the importance of water security. Climate change and global pandemics are disastrously interlinked and both hit the most vulnerable people, reinforcing existing inequalities. Improving resilience to climate change and pandemics is key to achieving a sustainable recovery. Through its knowledge and ways of working, the water community can help drive the necessary changes to address these water challenges and enable to achieve all the SDGs, the Paris Agreement, and other internationally-agreed frameworks. Yet, water practitioners often merely view themselves as implementers. This seminar will focus on clear, actionable examples of the role the water community can play to help the world achieve the 2030 Agenda and Paris Agreement with COVID-19 response.

**WHY IS WATER POLITICAL?** Conveners and invited speakers will make pitches—highlighting practical examples, assessments, and reflections—answering the questions: Why politics—and political decision making—matters for water and climate change action/impact? What are the most effective triggers of change? How can politicians and the water community together make water the catalyst to sustain the climate and achieve the SDGs in the post-COVID recovery, while addressing other issues such as human rights and migration?

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**WHAT CAN YOU DO?** The audience can participate in the discussion and interact with session speakers asking questions and sharing their input/feedback before and during the session.

**WHAT WILL WE DO THE COMING YEAR?** The session will present the overview of the fall/autumn sessions and WWWeek 2021.

**WATER ELECTIONS, THE WATER PARLIAMENT, and the WATER CABINET** in action at WWWeek 2021: We will introduce three dynamic political sessions drawing on parallels from democratic processes: 1) Water Elections; 2) Water Parliament in Session; and 3) The Climate Crisis Strikes the Water Cabinet!

The **OUTCOMES** of the session will be lots of good ideas about how the water sector can work with political leaders to address climate change now.

## 1. Setting the Scene (12:00-12:15)

- Introduction: Mr. Henk Ovink, the Special Envoy for International Water Affairs to the Kingdom of the Netherlands (anchor) and Mr. Jon Lane
- Questions to the audience
- Pitches:
  1. TBD, Youth Activist
  2. TBD, Scientist/Academic
  3. TBD, Political leader
- Audience participation

## 2. Sneak Peek of WWWeek 2021 (12:15-12:35)

- Overview of the Seminar: Mr. Henk Ovink, the Special Envoy for International Water Affairs to the Kingdom of the Netherlands
- Introduction to the 3 Sessions:
  - Session 1: Water election, Mr. Giacomo Galli, Both Ends
  - Session 2: Water Parliament, Mr. Roberto Silva Vara, World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and Ms. Betsy Otto, World Resources Institute (WRI)
  - Session 3: Water Cabinet, Ms. Nchedi Moripe, The Ministry of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation, South Africa
- Audience participation: Q&A

## 3. Outreach & Communications (12:35-12:45)

- Overview of outreach and communication plans
- Audience participation: Q&A
- Conclusion and Wrap & up

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## • **Convergence of sanitation and climate crises: Disruptive actions and solutions**

*Tuesday 25 August | 12:00-12:45*

SNV Netherlands Development Organisation | UK Department of International Development | United Nations Children's Fund | University of Bristol | University of Leeds | University of Technology Sydney | Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council | WaterAid | World Health Organization

Sanitation and climate change represent critical crises of our time. Poor progress on sanitation requires a step-change, made harder with climate change. This virtual event shares evidence and practical solutions to disrupt the status quo, unlock climate finance and achieve climate resilient inclusive sanitation services that reduce emissions and increase adaptation. [Register here!](#)

Sanitation and climate change are critical crises of our time. Both rural and urban sanitation lag, with 112 countries off-track to meet the Sustainable Development Goals. Evidence on sanitation's influence on adaptation

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and emissions is starting to emerge, with results that need our attention. Meanwhile, National Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the Paris Agreement and National Adaptation Plans commonly overlook climate-resilient sanitation.

This event draws on latest evidence, policy and practice, from leading scientists, development agencies and implementers. Based on cases across Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Nepal, Uganda and Zambia the event will showcase why and how countries can integrate mitigation and adaptation interventions and use climate finance.

Through a framing presentation, facilitated break-out sessions and panel commentary, the event will support evidence-to-policy links in the following areas:

- Using emissions data for mitigation
- Accessing climate financing
- Using climate science
- Adaptations to build resilience
- Protecting health

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- **Action for Change: Practical Lessons in Valuing Water**

*Tuesday 25 August / 13:00-13:45*

Government of the Netherlands

The Valuing Water Initiative promotes better decisions impacting water through the UN Valuing Water Principles. In this session, leading companies who actively value water in their activities will share their insights into what this can mean in practice. An expert panel will help identify key learnings from the showcases.

VWI is a follow-up to the UN High-Level Panel on Water which defined five Valuing Water Principles for understanding, managing and valuing water better. A key part of VWI's mission is to bring together forward-thinking organisations who commit to applying the Valuing Water Principles in practice and sharing their learnings with others.

These frontrunners are united by the common goal of making better decisions impacting water. In this session, three companies will share their insights and experiences of applying the Valuing Water Principles in their decision-making processes and activities.

Each company will pitch their own perspective on valuing water and how they integrate it into their operations. Follow-up questions from an expert panel will then help identify key learnings that are applicable across sectors and industries. Participants will be encouraged to learn from the insights of the showcase presenters and to commit to joining the growing valuing water community by applying the Principles in their own operations.

### **13:00-13:05 Introduction and short initial poll to participants about valuing water by corporates**

**13:10-13:45**

- Short pitch presentations by three corporates in different sectors on how they value water
- Short questions by the valuing water experts panel after each presentation to ascertain if water was truly valued in the example provided
- New poll to participants about valuing water, after presentations made and results analysis in comparison with initial poll results

#### **Panelists:**

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- Henk Ovink, Special Envoy for International Water Affairs, Kingdom of The Netherlands; Sherpa to the UN/WB High Level Panel on Water (tbc)
  - Representative from the Global Water Partnership (tbc)
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- **Stockholm Junior Water Prize 2020**

*Tuesday 25 August / 14:00-14:45*

Stockholm International Water Institute

The winners of the Stockholm Junior Water Prize 2020 will be announced during this royal award ceremony. The Prize's Patron, H.R.H. Crown Princess Victoria of Sweden, will present the Prize to the winning team.

Each year, the [Stockholm Junior Water Prize](#) celebrates young scientists from all around the world who have designed new innovative solutions to the Earth's increasing water challenges.

This year, in spite of the corona pandemic, 29 countries succeeded in organizing national competitions. Each of the national finalists vie for the title Stockholm Junior Water Prize champion 2020, are the champions of their national competitions and have been selected as winners from thousands of entries for their outstanding work.

This year we are proud to host the 24th annual competition and celebrate the winners of national competitions from the following countries:

Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, China, Ecuador, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Mexico, The Netherlands, Nigeria, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Singapore, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom and United States of America.

See the Dutch SJWP contribution here <https://vimeo.com/433945481>

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Wednesday 26 August 2020

- **The invisible link: dignity, safety and health for sanitation workers**

*Wednesday 26 August | 12:00-12:45*

Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH | Faecal Sludge Management Alliance | International Labour Organization | SNV Netherlands Development Organisation | Sustainable Sanitation Alliance | Water & Sanitation for the Urban Poor | WaterAid | World Bank Group | World Health Organization

The session focusses on the workforce operating the sanitation chain - those who empty septic tanks and latrines or maintain sewers. Sanitation workers are critical to achieve safely managed sanitation, but oftentimes face terrible working conditions and stigma. We will discuss global practical experiences to protect workers dignity, health and safety.

This event will throw light on the millions of sanitation workers around the globe, who provide an essential public service - but often at the cost of their dignity, safety, health, and living conditions. Sanitation workers are often poorly paid, lack safety training, and do not wear protective gear. At World Water Week 2019, the World Bank, ILO, WaterAid and WHO presented a recent assessment of the health, safety, and dignity of sanitation workers, which identified four areas for action. This session builds on that, highlighting positive developments through good policies and practices, (social) movements, and latest research by:

Showing examples for policy, regulations and legislation that protect workers from various countries.

Presenting good practices of the development and adoption of standard operating procedures (SOPs), e.g. from the Indian government, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Tanzania.

Showcasing advocacy for sanitation workers, like social movements (India), the creation of associations (Burkina Faso), using photography for advocacy (Zambia, India), and international pit emptiers skills challenges

Pointing out progress and shortcomings in building the evidence base through e.g. studies on exclusion and research on the disease burden of sanitation workers.

Gender dimensions are relevant and will be discussed, especially in relation to manual scavenging.

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- **Solving the Water-Climate-Puzzle by connecting youth stories and decision-makers**

*Wednesday 26 August | 13:00-13:45*

Central Asia Youth 4 Water | Global Water Partnership | International Secretariat for Water | Netherlands Water Partnership | Rural Water Supply Network | Swiss Water Partnership | Water Youth Network | World Youth Parliament for Water | Young Water Solutions | Youth Water Community in Central and Eastern Europe

This session will explore ways to solve and make connections that build into the Water-Climate-Puzzle by using youth stories as a dynamic narrative and to connect them with decision-makers to bridge the gap between science, policy and generations.

The impacts of climate change manifests itself most visibly through water. The occurrence of droughts, floods, and storms increase and become more devastating each year. The Global Risks Report has identified the top five global risks, all of which are water-related and the number one impact is climate action failure.

But who are the most at risk? Future generations! This is why we not only have to solidify the correlation between water security and climate change, but need to build a strong bridge between decision-makers of

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today and generations of the future: the youth, the majority of the population, that will have to live with these decisions.

This session will explore ways to solve part of the Water-Climate-Puzzle by using youth stories as a dynamic narrative and to connect them with decision-makers. Showcasing real stories from across the globe, we wish to open a dialogue with decision-makers on how policies affect the life of young people and how young leaders provide concrete, tangible answers to climate and water challenges and aim to influence decision-making.

The format of the session will have two parts: the first will be run as a talk-show; the second as an interactive Jenga inspired puzzle game.

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- **Communicating for Impact – How to Engage with Non-Water Audiences**

Wednesday 26 August / 14:00-14:45

Government of the Netherlands | Water Youth Network | World Wide Fund for Nature

Water has been in the World Economic Forum's top five global risks for years; yet many decision-makers outside the water community still do not realize that water stress is real, urgent and material. We must communicate better to reach those beyond our sector whose decisions have an impact on water.

According to the Global Commission on Adaptation, the effects of climate change will most immediately and acutely be expressed through water. Yet the sector remains generally unsuccessful in convincing the world of the value of water. Is it because communications that advocate the importance of water are uncoordinated; limited in perspective; lacking in mass and power; and/or reach limited audiences? We know there is a clear need for collaboration between actors who can stimulate change, but what does this look like?

The Valuing Water Initiative (VWI) promotes better decisions impacting water by driving systemic change in how water is valued across business, policy and behaviour. To this end, VWI seeks to better understand the key ingredients of effective communication strategies which resonate with decision-makers beyond the traditional water community, as well as the general public.

For this session VWI will convene a panel of top communicators with experience in driving meaningful change. They will share relevant experiences and insights into how communications can deliver real-world impact, with a focus on reaching decision-makers and audiences outside the water sector.

**14:00-14:15 - Part 1: Setting the scene**

- Is there a mismatch between the message and its effects? Why?
- Short poll to audience on their perception about the problem drivers
- Short challenge to participants

**14:15-14:45 - Part 2: How can we get the message through?**

In this second part room will be given to panellists to share their experiences and lessons learned, and we will ask the audience to provide their inputs and views through dynamic online tools.

- Examples of water-related campaigns
- Key lessons learned from those
- Key changes needed

Panelists and moderator:

- Richard Lee, WWF Communications Manager, Freshwater Practice
- Water Youth Network (representative tbc)
- Mina Guli, Thirst
- Stuart Reigeluth, Founder, REVOLVE (moderator)

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- **Innovative finance for scaling effective SDG 6 solutions**

*Wednesday 26 August / 15:00-15:45*

Aqua for All | Danone | Grand Challenges Canada | Roots of Impact | Take-a-Stake Fund | WASTE | Water.org

This session provides insights from financial innovations that have the potential for scaling market-based solutions addressing SDG 6. It includes examples from new financing models for households and for growing water and sanitation businesses. It focuses on financial innovations and blended finance solutions that ensure inclusion, sustainability & climate resilience.

The session will bring together key actors working with innovative finance solutions to accelerate access to finance for water and sanitation. It will present and discuss a wide range of financial innovations addressing the increasing financing needs of households and of small and growing enterprises.

The session will provide concrete examples of solutions such as Carbon Credit Financing, Social Impact Incentives (SIINC), Sanitation Impact Bond and others. New financing and investing opportunities for small and growing businesses will be particularly highlighted with examples such as the Facility to Accelerate Access to Safe and Affordable Drinking Water and the Take a Stake Fund. The session will also include discussion on the catalytic role of grant funding to mobilize public and private capital for the water and sanitation sector.

10 min: Introduction & setting the scene by Aqua for All

20 min: Short (2 mins) pitches on each financial innovation

15 min: Interactive session with the audience and closing

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- **Co-Benefits of Implementing NBS for Climate-Related Water and Flood Management**

*Thursday 27 August | 10:00-10:45*

Danish Water Forum | Finnish Water Forum | French Water Partnership | Global Water Partnership | Japan Water Forum | Korea Water Forum | Netherlands Water Partnership | Northern Water Network | Portuguese Water Partnership | Stockholm International Water Institute | Swiss Water Partnership | World Water Council

This session will share practices and lessons learned from 9 countries of Europe and Asia in the Northern Water Network on how to maximize the synergies and trade-offs for no-regret decisions regarding water resources and flood risk management in the context of climate change, using nature-based solutions.

Nature provides several solutions for climate-related water management and flood risk management challenges our society is facing. Apart from being solutions to these challenges, Nature Based Solutions (NBS) provide additional services like carbon storage. While there is growing recognition of the advantages of promoting NBS for water resources management and flood risk reduction in the context of climate change, we are facing a challenge in connecting the knowledge within the water sector toward informed decision-making, due to limited transdisciplinary approaches to tackle the trade-offs of the economic benefits of our current generation's activities versus the ecological risks to the next generation.

This session will share practices and lessons learned from Denmark, Finland, France, The Netherlands, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland as well as Japan and Korea - the Northern Water Network countries - regarding NBS to address water management, flood risk management, and nature conservation in the context of climate change. This includes ways to:

- integrate green infrastructure aspects into existing water and river basin management
- identify and manage interactions between water, energy, land use, and ecosystems
- ensure multi-stakeholders' approaches and their support
- evaluate co-benefits and trade-off methods to assist decision-making
- overcome barriers related to the institutional frameworks

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- **WW4D - WASH and Utilities**

*Thursday 27 August | 10:15-17:00*

African Water Association | Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH | Directorate-General for International Cooperation, The Netherlands | German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief Association | German Network against Neglected Tropical Diseases | German Toilet Organization | German Water Partnership | Global Water Operators' Partnerships Alliance at UN-Habitat | Inter-American Development Bank | Rural Water Supply Network | Sustainable Sanitation Alliance | The German WASH Network | WaterWorX

**10:15 - 10:30 Recap Day 3 & Daily Agenda Overview**

**10:30 - 11:30 WASH responses to COVID-19: Adapting interventions to mitigate infections**

*GIZ, Hygiene Hub*

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### **11:30 - 12:30 Secure WASH, Promote (One) Health – The Importance of WASH for Neglected Tropical**

*German WASH Network, German Network against Neglected Tropical Diseases, SuSanA, German Leprosy and TB Relief Association, Christoffel Blindenmission, Vets without Borders, German Toilet Organisation (GTO), Verband forschender Arzneimittelhersteller*

### **13:00 - 13:45 The importance of (online) communities of practices – before, during, and after a crisis**

*GIZ, SuSanA, Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA), German WASH Network, German Toilet Organization (GTO), Rural Water Supply Network (RWSN)*

### **13:45 - 14:45 Water Operators' Partnerships – A Gamechanger for Technical Assistance?**

*GIZ, Dutch Directorate-General for International Cooperation (DGIS), WaterWorX, Global Water Operators' Partnerships Alliance (GWOPA), Interamerican Development Bank (IDB), African Water Association (AfWA), German Water Partnership (GWP e.V.), Water Operators' Partnership Latin America & Caribbean (WOP-LAC)*

### **15:00 - 16:00 Transitioning from a Humanitarian to a Development Approach in Water Supply and Sanitation - the Utility Model**

### **16:15 - 17:00 Toilets of the Caribbean – meet the CReW+**

*GIZ, Interamerican Development Bank (IDB), UN Environment Programme (UNEP)*

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#### • **Financing a paradigm shift in development models**

*Thursday 27 August | 12:00-12:45*

Asian Development Bank | Deltares | Global Alliance for Banking on Values | Government of the Netherlands | Inter-American Development Bank

Climate impacts challenge our status quo. Covid19 is a stark reminder that a shift in our economic development paradigm is urgent. Three revolutions are urgent: a revolution in understanding, a revolution in planning and a revolution in finance. Which partnerships could trigger the required systemic change and finance the transition?

Water as connecting stream between sectors water holds a great risk and a great opportunity. Water can be used as leverage for impactful and catalytic change and if adequately managed become a powerful motor to achieve development and resilience. We will identify the required partnerships to accelerate this shift and enable a revolution in investment planning across sectors that makes each drop count.

Starting with a presentation from the Netherlands, IADB and ADB of their strategies and role in making the transition possible; we then engage in a moderated dialogue reflecting on the view from the frontlines.

Country and local bank representatives will share through this conversation the challenges and practical dilemmas they face. The conversation between all key actors in the development and adaptation space – MDB's, donors, local banks, climate funds and public officials – continue to identify how local and global actors could best cooperate to achieve a transformation in project origination and enable the development of strategic investment pathways that maximize impact and private sector participation in the long term? Which niche each of them is best positioned to play and which coordination mechanisms are required to enable the development of a transformational pipeline of projects?

#### **12:00 Opening words by moderator**

Including instructions for participants to engage with visual collaboration tool

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## 12:05 Opening Keynote

Henk Ovink, Special Envoy for International Water Affairs at Kingdom of the Netherlands.

## 12:10 Achieving climate change resilience in Asia and the Pacific. The ADB Strategy

Tom Panella, Chief of Water Sector Group, Asian Development Bank (ADB)

## 12:15 Water Security and Global Change in LAC. The IDB Strategy

Raul Muñoz, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)

## 12:20 Moderated dialogue reflecting on the view from the frontlines

Country and local bank representatives will share through this conversation the challenges and practical dilemmas they face. The conversation between all key actors in the development and adaptation space – MDB's, donors, local banks, climate funds and public officials – continue to identify how local and global actors could best cooperate to achieve a transformation in project origination and enable the development of strategic investment pathways that maximize impact and private sector participation in the long term? Which points of leverage each of them is best positioned to influence?

Moderator: Tom Cummings, Board Member Global Alliance for Banking on Values

Panel speakers are:

- BRAC, Local bank, Bangladesh representative (tbc)
- National government representative (tbc)
- Tom Panella, Chief of Water Sector Group, Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- Raul Munoz, Senior Water Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
- Christian Severin, lead International Waters, Global Environmental Fund
- Niels Vlaanderen, Coordinator International Water, Ministry of Infrastructure and Water, Netherlands

12:40 Session wrap up: key messages and next steps

- Monica A. Altamirano, Program Manager Finance for Adaptive Planning, Deltares

The panelists and well as participants insights shared through the visual collaboration tool are brought together to identify promising blueprints for cooperation at national and global scale and the leverage points each actor is best positioned to impact to drive the envisioned paradigm shift.

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## • Water as Leverage (WaL) for Climate Impact and financing adaptation

Thursday 27 August | 14:00-14:45

City of Semarang (Indonesia) | Deltares | Government of the Netherlands | Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development | Water Youth Network | World Bank Group

Water as Leverage aims to bridge the gaps hindering climate action, with a focus on project origination. This is a major hurdle, translating these challenges into inclusive processes for the purpose of developing integrated, transformative, bankable project proposals that address localized climate-related urban water issues which has not been tackled before.

The session consists of three levels:

1. The scene is set by the OECD, who give an insight in the billions available on global level for climate financing but the difficulty of finding the right projects to invest in.

2. The World Bank in Indonesia explains why the status quo on project origination and development won't suffice and showcases this need exists on national level by showcasing the situation in Indonesia;

3. Representative(s) of the city of Semarang will tell about their experiences with Water as Leverage approach, specifically working together with the financial sector. Herein they will also highlight the existing gaps between moving from concept to implementation.

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Finally, the Special Envoy for International Water Affairs to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mr Henk Ovink and founding father of Water as Leverage, elaborates how its principles have been applied and his experiences so far in the development of project proposals in three Asian cities and on upscaling it to other cities in the world. Also addressed are the challenges that international financial institutions and national actors face to start realising project proposals. This will serve as an introduction to a plenary discussion on how to overcome this barrier.

- Opening by Special Water Envoy Henk Ovink – **explaining Water as Leverage** (5min)
- OECD – Mr. Xavier Leflaive – addressing **the challenges and gaps in financing climate adaptation** (5 min)
- **The experiences of the World Bank in Semarang, Indonesia with the Water as Leverage project proposals** – Mrs. Gayatri Singh (10 min)
- Semarang’s former Chief Resilience Officer Mrs. Dr. Wiwandari, lecturer UNDIP University – Urban Resilience Expert – on their **involvement in the Water as Leverage initiative** which strengthened their belief in further strengthening the importance of a integrated perspective on the city’s (climate adaptation) challenges and opportunities. (10 min)
- Q&A (10)
- Conclusion and wrap-up (5 min)

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- **WW4D - Water Integrity and Gender**

*Friday 28 August | 10:15-13:00*

African Women Sanitation Professionals Network | Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH | Faecal Sludge Management Alliance | Green Climate Fund | Institute for Sustainable Futures, University of Technology Sydney | Sustainable Sanitation Alliance | United Nations Children's Fund | WASH United | Water Integrity Network | Women for Water Partnership | Women in Innovation | Women in Water and Sanitation Network

**10:45 - 11:00 Recap Day 4 & Daily Agenda Overview**

**11:00 - 12:00 Menstrual Health and Hygiene - Relevant, Inter-sectoral and on the Rise**

*GIZ, WASH United, UNICEF (tbc), Global Menstrual Health and Hygiene Collectives /WSSCC (tbc), WaterAid (tbc), Welthungerhilfe (tbc)*

**12:15 - 13:00 Climate needs Women innovating for Water, Sanitation & FSM**

*GIZ, African Women Sanitation Professionals Network (AWSPN), Faecal Sludge Management (FSMI Alliance, Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA), Women in Innovation global, Women in Water and Sanitation Network (WWSN), Institute for Sustainable Futures - University of Technology Sydney (ISF-UTS), Women for Water Partnership (WfWP), Women Engage for a Common Future*

**13:00 - 14:00 She acts: Women, Water and Covid-19 - Strengthening Women's Voices**

*GIZ, Women for Water Partnership (WfWP), Katosi Women Development Trust (KWDT), NetWwater, Earthforever*

**14:00 - 14:30 Integrity Readiness of Water Sector for Climate Change Finance**

*GIZ, Water Integrity Network (WIN), Green Climate Fund (Independent Integrity Unit)*

**14:30 - 15:00 Wrap-up & Closing Remarks**

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- **WWWeekAtHome Social Event/Virtual Dutch Reception**

*Friday 28 August | 14:00-15:00*

Government of the Netherlands, Akvo, Aqua for All, IRC, Netherlands Water Partnership

Instead of sharing ideas under the Stockholm sky, the event embraces the opportunities that virtual tools provide for networking and engaging people across the globe in a fun and interactive way.

This virtual social event builds on the tradition of an annual Dutch Reception. More details about registration and the outline of the event will follow soon

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- **Water Stewardship in Agriculture: Learnings from implementing the AWS Standard**

*Friday 28 August | 14:00-14:45*

Alliance for Water Stewardship | Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH | The Netherlands Development Finance Company | World Wide Fund for Nature

Agricultural supply chains are heavily reliant on water and face local challenges such as pollution, over abstraction and climate change. In this session, AWS and its partners will share learnings from the agricultural sector in Indonesia, Latin America, North America and Europe to stimulate collective action on water stewardship.

## Sessions at WWWeek At Home with Dutch contributions

24-28 August 2020

This session will examine case studies from the food retail industry, development finance institutions and agricultural producers.

Delegates will also have the opportunity to debate and discuss further enhancements of the AWS Standard for use in agricultural contexts and contribute towards agricultural-specific guidance for the AWS Standard.

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- **Futurecasting a World with Water Aware Financial Institutions**

*Friday 28 August | 17:00-17:45*

Ceres | Government of the Netherlands | Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken

The interactive session will lay out a vision and a strategy for a future where financial institutions and shareholders understand, recognize and value water resources more fully. Using the Valuing Water Principles as a foundation, participants will discuss a blueprint for how to get financiers to be more productive stakeholders on water.

Investment firms manage over \$90 trillion in savings, with a much of this invested in companies listed on global stock exchanges. A small subset of these investment firms control almost half of this money, and thus can have a significant influence over industries and companies they invest in--including motivating them to manage water more sustainably. Banks, as lenders to companies, cities and projects, can also play an influential role in creating systemic change including how water is valued and managed by companies they finance.

Ceres, partnering with the Valuing Water Initiative and financial sector leaders, will lay out a vision, with proposed steps to get there, of a future where financial sector leaders set out a clear set of water expectations for companies, and that they themselves will more fully understand the value of water and act accordingly. Participants will provide feedback through interactive polling and a Q&A discussion.

[Register here on Zoom](#)

- Welcome & Overview - The Government of the Netherlands
- Menti polling to learn about the participants
- Context: brief overview of the Valuing Water Finance Journey - Ceres
- Investor Perspective: Valuing Water Finance Task Force - SEB
- Menti polling to gather feedback, Q&A
- Call to action & wrap-up