



Emerging Water Leaders Forum

Plan the Future of the water sector

THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER / 10.30 - 15.00 / ROOM 101

WHY IS THE EMERGING WATER LEADERS FORUM IMPORTANT?

The water sector faces significant dual challenges of an ageing workforce and a shortage of adequacy skilled staff to meet Sustainable Development Goal 6. To address the high standards and targets set under this goal, the sector needs to attract and support the development of new talent. This new talent should be seen as the emerging leaders, who should be encouraged to contribute to the sector's advancements today and start planning the future of the water sector that they will lead!

WHAT IS THE FORUM?

An open platform for young and emerging water leaders to work with peers to start planning for the future of the water sector that will be in charge of.

WHO WILL ATTEND?

Young and emerging water leaders - aged 35 and under covering a wide range of disciplines ranging social, technical, economic to environmental. The participant needs to be a registered delegate of the World Water Congress and Exhibition.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

Participants are invited to discuss among their peers and design solutions for big challenges (answering 3 big questions) for Post 2030 or even 2050 when they will be leading the sector. Using techniques to break complex issues down in smaller components, you will practice your problem solving skills whilst developing answers to the questions posed by senior and experienced professionals.

Want to join or have questions? Email Kirsten de Vette - [Kirsten.devette@iwahq.org](mailto:kirsten.devette@iwahq.org)

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SCHEDULE

10.00 - 10.30 Registration to the Forum

10.30 - 10.40 Welcome and Introduction

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10.40 - 10.50 Meet and Greet

10.50 - 11.00 What is key question we will need to answer by 2050?

Presentation by emerging water leaders presenting question posed by Congress Keynote Speakers

11.00 - 11.10 Are we asking the right question?

11.10 - 11.30 Defining the context of the question?

11.30 - 11.55 Break question down and prioritise

Group Exercise to break the question down and prioritise.

Plenary

11.55 - 12.00 How to answer the questions after lunch

Presentation by emerging water leaders to provide tools to tackle the discussion after lunch.

12.15- 13.15 Lunch at the IWA Stand

13.30 - 13.35 Recap part 1 and introduction

Emerging Water Leaders recap part 1 and introduce what next

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13.35 - 14.05 Answering the sub-questions

Group Exercise to answer the key question

14.05 - 14.15 So What?: Answer the Key Questions?

Group discussion to consolidate answer

14.15 - 14.25 Group Pitches of the Answers to other group

14.25 - 14.45 Planning for Action now!

Group to prioritise and discuss needed actions

Plenary

14.45 - 15.00 Plenary Discussions and Closing

Reactions to priorities and actions and closing