



CAIRO WATER WEEK

CWW2018

2ND ANNOUNCEMENT

OCTOBER 14-18, 2018 – CAIRO, EGYPT



LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS:

AFRWG	The African Regional Working Group
AF-YWPF	The African Young Water Professional Forum
AWC	Arab Water Council
CEDARE	The Centre for Environment and Development for the Arab Region and Europe
CIA	Cairo International Airport
CIHEAM	The Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Bari
CSOs	Civil Society Organizations
CWW	Cairo Water Week
DC	Delta Coalition
DRR	Disaster Risk Reduction
EDUCAMP	Education Campaign
EFSF	European Fund for Sustainable Development
EGP	Egyptian pound
EIP	European Investment Plan
ESD	Education for Sustainable Development
ESDF	Egyptian Sustainable Development Forum
EU	European Union
EURO	Official Currency of The European Union
FAO	The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FS	Feasibility Study
FSM	Faecal Sludge Management
GIZ	The German Agency for International Cooperation
ICARDA	International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas
ICBA	International Center for Bio saline Agriculture
ICID	International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage
MDG	Millennium Development Goals
MWRI	Ministry Of Water Resources and Irrigation
NBCBN	Nile Basin Capacity Building Network
NENA	Near East and North Africa Regional
OIC	Organization of Islamic Cooperation
PoS	Poster Session
PS	Plenary Session
RAED	Arab Network for Environment and Development
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SE	Side Event
SIWI	Stockholm International Water Institute
SWIM	The Sustainable Water Integrated Management and Horizon 2020 Support Mechanism
TS	Technical Session
UFM	Union for the Mediterranean
UN	United Nations
UNESCO	The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
USD	United States Dollar
VICMED	Establishment of a Navigational Line Between Lake Victoria and the Mediterranean Sea
WCDDR	World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
WEF	World Economic Forum
WS	Workshop

INTRODUCTION

The challenges faced by Egypt in the water sector are similar to those faced by most arid and semi-arid countries around the world at both national, regional and international levels. Most of them suffer from water scarcity and/or are vulnerable to climate change. Moreover, in some arid countries like Egypt, due to their geographical position, rivers originate from outside their borders. Those challenges and others result in increasing water scarcity and threatening water security.

Egypt's water is the most important pillar for achieving national security. The comprehensive sustainable development plans in all fields are linked to the state's ability to provide the necessary water resources to implement these plans. Therefore, the decision of the State was to organize the "Cairo Water Week".

The Cairo Water Week is considered as the biggest water-related event in Egypt and is planned to be organized annually by the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation in collaboration with national, regional and international partners. It aims to promote water awareness and foster innovative approaches to face the most pressing water-related challenges, keep updated on global movements to address water challenges and identify modern tools and techniques for managing water resources. The Week starts its first edition this year around the Main Theme "Water Conservation for Sustainable Development", it will take place in Cairo, Egypt during the period from 14-18 October 2018 under the patronage of H.E. Mr. Abdel Fatah El-Sisi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt.

The Organizing Committee is pleased to issue the second announcement with updated information related to the event. You are cordially invited to join us at the 1st Cairo Water Week. Your valued participation will, definitely, add value to the event and guide it to successfully reach its goals and achieve its objective.

MAIN THEMES:

Under the Main theme of the 1st Cairo Water Week “Water Conservation for Sustainable Development”, five related sub themes will be addressed during the event. A number of sub-topics will be covered under each sub theme through various sessions that will be organized by reputed international and regional organizations, which have an interest in such topic. The five plenary sessions that will cover the main themes and more than 30 technical and special sessions specified as follows:

PS1: WATER MANAGEMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is now shaping the global development discourse and is increasingly determining development goals in all countries. Water takes its role as the very core of sustainable development. Therefore, Goal 6 of the 2030 Agenda is dedicated to water and sanitation but it expands the MDG focus to cover the entire water cycle, including management of water, wastewater and ecosystem resources. Egypt’s 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda focuses on water as a key factor for future development given the constraints and challenges that water scarcity could impose.

This theme is focusing on innovative solutions in managing water in different sectors in more efficient and productive ways. The expected outcomes could include:

- Presentation of innovative solutions for more efficient and productive management in all sectors
- Shared study cases and success stories of good water management
- Good examples of integrated water management schemes that account for the water demand and supply as well as land and the environment
- New approaches on Water-Food-Energy nexus with the aim to produce more from less and more crop per drop per kilowatt per unit area
- New approaches of using and properly managing the non-conventional water resources

PS2: CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT

Climate change has significant impact on water resources, human health and wellbeing, wild life, ecosystem services, food security and on the environment in general. Extreme events such as floods and droughts have significant impacts on societies. Too much water could lead to flood and loss of human lives and migration. Too little water could lead to famine, hunger, illness, fires, loss of wild life and habitat, national and international conflicts. Water resources, whether surface or ground water, are rainfall dependent. Rainfall varies in frequency, intensity and duration in a changing climate. Climate change could lead to more frequent rainfall events with different intensities and durations. Temperature, radiation and wind speed are also elements of climate and are also subject to change. Sea water rise caused by climate change has significant impact on land and vegetation as well as groundwater quality. The expected outcomes of this theme are:

- Highlighting the impact of climate change on ecosystem services and environment
- Assessing the impact of climate change on water resources availability, quantity and quality.
- Sharing examples of good water management practices to mitigate climate change impact
- Presenting study cases and success stories on management of extreme climate change events including floods and droughts
- New approaches of integrated water and crop management to cope with climate change
- Uncertainty in climate change and future predictions of water resources availability

PS3: TRANSBOUNDARY WATER GOVERNANCE AND BENEFIT SHARING

Transboundary basins, including rivers, lakes and aquifers, shared between two or more countries, are home to more than 70% of the world’s population and supply water for about 60% of global food production. Around 276 river basins cross the political boundaries of two or more countries, and about 40% of the world’s population lives in river and lake basins that cross international borders. Globally, about 2 billion people depend on groundwater, which includes over 300 transboundary aquifer systems.

Cooperation over shared water resources is essential for climate change adaptation, regional stability and economic growth. It could create new opportunities for riparian states to sustainably develop their common water resources and assist decision-makers and practitioners to reduce conflict, and increase economic development. Despite that, about two-thirds of the world’s transboundary rivers do not have any cooperative management framework.

The expected outcomes of this theme includes:

- Highlighting the governance challenges associated with transboundary cooperation with respect to climate adaptation and water scarcity
- Presenting possible solutions to promote cooperation and prevent conflicts
- Sharing innovative thinking and tools applied to promote transboundary cooperation to enhance water security for all.
- Reporting success stories for transboundary water cooperation.
- Assessing the different benefits of transboundary cooperation

PS4: WATER SCARCITY, HEALTH, SANITATION CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Drinking water and sanitation are basic human rights. Lack of adequate water and sanitation services cause grave health concerns and pollute agricultural lands and water resources as well as contamination of aquifers. Water scarcity poses dramatic threats to the livelihoods of many people, particularly in rural and poor communities lacking water and sanitation services. Fund mobilization to achieve the SDGs entail high investment needs and growing costs to maintain, develop and expand water and sanitation services to all citizens. Cost-effectiveness analysis can reveal the health, political and environmental benefits of providing improved water and sanitation.

The themes expected outcome could include new knowledge and approaches on the following aspects:

- Drinking-water quality guidelines and regulations
- Water safety planning
- Water supply management
- Water treatment and safe storage
- Recreational waters
- Sanitation, hygiene and wastewater facilities and management
- Drinking-water, sanitation and hygiene monitoring
- Investments, economics and environmental protection.

PS5: SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

Science and technology are vehicles to achieve effective progress in development. Innovations in water development and management open new horizons and bring new opportunities for coping to water scarcity, sharing and exchanging knowledge and information, increasing the social and economic value of water.

The theme's expected outcomes include:

- Innovative solutions to minimize leaks in the water distribution network
- New technologies for improving water use efficiency and productivity
- Modern irrigation systems that are more efficient and minimize losses by evaporation or wind
- Water abstraction using solar, wind energy and other non- conventional energy sources
- Drones technology for better management of water and crops
- Remote sensing applications
- Precision agriculture and irrigation using sensors
- Automated irrigation systems
- New and non-conventional approaches for rain water harvesting and artificial ground water recharge

TECHNICAL SESSIONS /SPECIAL SESSIONS/ WORKSHOPS



TS01: "Fostering the Mediterranean Partnership: Frameworks, Milestones and Challenges"

Convener: CIHEAM Bari Institute and AWC

The session provides an opportunity to learn about some of the existing untraditional capacity building initiatives, knowledge sharing platforms and partnerships supporting capacity development. It will highlight how to overcome the challenges affecting capacity buildings in the water sector, the importance of knowledge sharing and creating partnerships.

TS02: "Gender Mainstreaming in IWRM"

Convener: UNESCO Cairo office.

In Progress



TS03: "Science and Technology to Improve land and Water Productivity"

Convener: ICARDA.

The session focuses on discussing ways of utilizing research findings for water management in agriculture in order to meet the challenges of water scarcity in dry areas, and present such challenges in the Arab countries. The session aims at clarifying the linkages between research and development in water and agriculture sectors, in addition to enhancing partnerships among participating organizations in the Cairo Water Week on the scaling out/up of innovative.



SS04: "Launching of the Arabic Version of the World Water Assessment report 2017 (Waste Water: Untapped Resource)"

Convener: UNESCO Cairo office.

In Progress



TS05: "Establishment of a Navigational Line between Lake Victoria and the Mediterranean Sea (VICMED) project: Progress, Way Forward and Case studies"

Convener: Nile Water Sector, MWRI

This session promotes the VICMED project with the presence of development partners, donors and all the stakeholders from foot print countries to seek for resource mobilization for the feasibility phase 2 (FS2) of the project. It will present VICMED project progress to date to raise awareness on the project and the lessons learnt from different transboundary river basins in which Inland Water Navigation succeeded in fostering cooperation, benefit sharing and economic integration among riparian countries.



TS06: "Transboundary Waters and Sustainable Development in the Arab Region: Challenges and Opportunities"

Convener: Cairo University (Faculty of Engineering), AWC and CEDARE

This session focuses on the impacts of upstream infrastructure and projects on riparian countries and the possible opportunities for mitigating such impacts. It aims to present a better understanding of the potential impacts of planned and undergoing upstream infrastructure on transboundary waters in the Arab region and how to overcome it.



TS07: “Strengthen Community Resilience to achieve Sustainable Development in the Arab Region”

Convener: RAED

The scope of the session is to advocate for community-based resilience against climate change impacts on the Arab region - especially on sectors such as water and food security - and to propose methodologies and solutions for concerned stakeholders. The session mainly aims to draw on synergies between international, regional, national, and local strategies, plans, mechanisms, and efforts addressing climate change, sustainable water management and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR). It also, would highlight the roles and responsibilities of relevant stakeholders, including local authorities, CSOs, international and regional organizations, media, and the scientific community, in strengthening community-based resilience, and Enhance/ contribute to the knowledge management and capacities of participants on climate change adaptation measures in relations to food and water sectors.



TS08: “Solar Powered Irrigation: Benefits and Risks”

Convener: FAO

The session analyses the opportunities and challenges of solar technologies in agriculture as well as the tools to support climate smart development. It aims at understanding of the links between water, energy and food supply and the role of solar technologies and illustrating trade-offs and risks related to solar irrigation and ways to assess them. The session will be concluded with an illustration of a toolkit developed by FAO and GIZ that can support sustainable development of solar pumping.



TS09: “The Water, Energy and Food Nexus”

Convener: Heliopolis University and MWRI

The session will involve two main topics deeply rooted and serving the WEF nexuses, which are: research funded projects and implemented pilot projects.

Moreover, the different ministries involved in the WEF nexus will highlight the challenges and planned strategies followed by the detailed presentation of the successful projects linking the WEF with their success stories.



TS10: “Building a Smart Water Future: Count and Account for Water”

Convener: FAO

The session, in its first part, raises awareness on the usefulness and feasibility of using water accounting for strategic planning, monitoring and reporting of water use and on the sustainable development goal 6 aiming for the sustainable, efficient and productive use of water. The second part of the session, presents examples from countries in the region on how water accounting could help to clarify misunderstanding or assess options.



TS11: “Education for Sustainable Development Session”

Convener: Heliopolis University and MWRI

The session is completely focusing on the development of school students aging between 9 and 15 through developing ESD resourcekits, Teachers' Training and enhancing teaching methodologies. The objective of the EDUCAMP project is to enable Egyptian multi-stakeholder (Schools, Universities, NGOs and Ministries) to collaborate to realize ESD in Egypt nationwide. While that of Children University is to prepare Egyptian children for the future as change agents capable of facing different resources challenges and shaping the world through their developed creativity and innovative ability.



TS12: “More Food and Better Life per Water drop – Saving, Efficiency and Productivity of Water for Sustainable Agriculture”

Convener: FAO

This session scrutinizes the experience the region had in reducing water use in agriculture (water saving, water efficiency) and increasing water productivity (crop per drop and \$\$/drop). It would bring elements of understanding on the options for improving water use in agriculture and the objectives of water saving, water efficiency and water productivity and bring evidence on the feasibility of bridging the gap between the current water productivity and the potential one as well.



TS13: “Water Conservation in Buildings”

Convener: SWIM H2020 SM

The session sheds light on raising awareness on multiple options and technologies for introducing water conservation in buildings and increasing water use efficiency in Egypt. It would increase the capacity of participants in water conservation issues.



TS14: "Drought Management: Enhancing Capabilities in MENA Region through International Experience Sharing"

Convener: ICBA

The session updates the participants on the challenges of managing droughts in a complex political region that is arid. Insight from Morocco, Jordan, Lebanon and Tunisia will be given to highlight the advances made. The main desired outcomes of this session is to increase awareness of the possibilities of enhancing local drought resilience for the most vulnerable and at-risk communities through data supported proactive planning and awareness raising.



TS15: "Capacity Building for Sustainable Development: Innovation, Sharing and Partnerships. Do We Have the Right Equation?"

Convener: NBCBN

The session provides an opportunity to learn about some of the existing untraditional capacity building initiatives, knowledge sharing platforms and partnerships supporting capacity development. It will highlight how to overcome the challenges affecting capacity buildings in the water sector, the importance of knowledge sharing and creating partnerships.

Theme 1: Water Management for Sustainable development. Only one session covering Water, Energy and Food Nexus, desalination and sustainable development.



TS16: "Opportunities for Faecal Sludge Management in Egypt"

Convener: Mott MacDonald

The session conveys the benefits of a comprehensive faecal sludge management system in achieving the sustainable development goals and unlocking the public health benefits of improved sanitation. It shall present best practice examples from within Egypt and internationally. This session will include initial presentation from the facilitators giving an overview of the benefits of faecal sludge management (FSM) vs traditional conventional sewerage, focusing on cost and public health; followed by best practice examples from around the world and within Egypt.



TS17: "Drought Risk Insurance: Possibilities and Challenges as part of Drought Management"

Convener: ICBA

This session critically examines the current drought risk insurance modalities and mechanism and put forward recommendations for development of approaches and inclusion in drought planning for those living in the NENA region. Insight from ongoing work will be shared in this session to help guide decision-makers on the possibilities and challenges of using drought risk insurance in their drought management plans.



TS18: "Developing Shared Waters for Economic Prosperity in the Nile Basin -Scientific Knowledge and Media Views"

Convener: SIWI

The session includes a series of science-based presentations on several aspects of water for development in a regional context. It would also highlights the importance of media for communicating science-based knowledge to a wider audience. It will focus on the importance of keeping media well informed and support journalists with information in an easily understood and usable format.



TS19: "Best Practices by Farmers for Water Conservation"

Convener: MWRI

In Progress

TS20: " Best Graduation Projects from universities"

Convener: MWRI

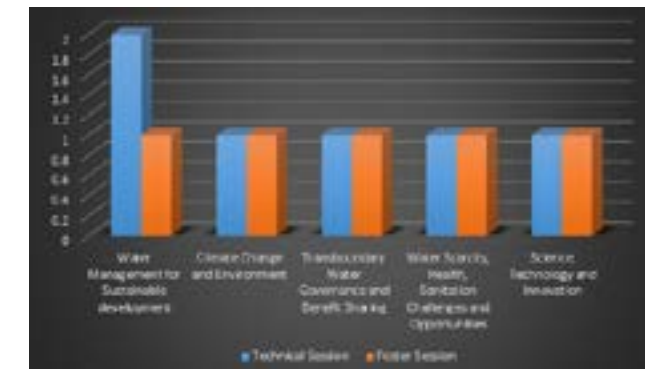
In Progress



TS & PoS (21-31): "Technical Sessions on the Technical Abstracts Received by the 1st Cairo Water Week's Scientific Committee"

Convener: Cairo Water Week Scientific Committee, MWRI

The Scientific committee of the 1st Cairo Water Week received more than 110 technical abstract covering the 5 themes of the event. The submitted Abstracts have been evaluated carefully by the scientific committee. About 50% of the abstracts were accepted as oral presentations and about 15% as posters. The accepted abstracts were distributed into 6 technical sessions in addition to 5 poster sessions. The following is a summary of the sessions under the five main themes and related topics. For each session, a keynote speaker is assigned followed by a number of speakers.



SIDE AND BACK TO BACK EVENTS

SE01: “SWIM H2020 SM project Country meeting - Egypt” Convener: SWIM H2020 SM



The workshop aims at bringing the country's stakeholders for integrated water management and environmental protection together and closer to SWIM H2020 SM and its activities. One of the main desired outcomes from this workshop is to inform project stakeholders of progress made in the activities related to Egypt.

SE02: “Meeting of the WASH Task Force of the UfM Water Agenda” Convener: UfM



The meeting enhances integrated natural resources management as means for sustainable development in the UfM region. It shall introduce and/or promote integrated approach for achieving water and sanitation SDGs to catalyze action for its mainstreaming, financing and implementation in UfM Member States, at the national, local and regional levels.

SE03: “EU-EGYPT Water Business Forum” Convener: EU



The event includes a presentation on the new European Investment Plan (EIP) and the new European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD) guarantee scheme shall be presented. The event shall be dedicated to private sector, local and regional investors, industry representatives. Two themes shall be discussed during the event, the first on localization of industry and creation of international-local joint ventures, and the second on Supporting Public Private Partnerships in the water sector.

SE04: “EU-EGYPT Water Dialogue” Convener: EU



The event focuses on creating a policy dialogue platform to discuss key strategic issues in the water sector and how to best tackle them. It would present some key success stories in water management from Europe. Three themes shall be discussed during the event, The first: Sector Development and aid effectiveness for the modernization of water sector, the second: Integrated Investment Planning in the water sector, and the third: Sustainability and role of Development Partners in the water sector.

SE05: Young Water Professionals Forum



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The African Regional Working Group (AFRWG) of International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID), which is currently chaired by Egypt, would like to seize the occasion of the Cairo Water Week to establish the African Young Water Professional Forum (Af-YWPF) and to organize its first meeting during the week.

The three-days workshop for the African Young Water Professionals will include the declaration of the establishment of Af-YWP Forum, which aims at building the capacity of young professionals and a new generation of water leaders to be capable of facing the future water challenges.

The Af-YWP will be held on 14-17 October, 2018, the opening session and the first training workshop will be organized on October 14, and the 4th training workshop and closing session will be organized on October 17.

SE06: Children Forum

Proceeding from the general theme of the 1st Cairo Water Week, “water conservation for sustainable development”, the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation launches an event entitled “Children Water Club” in cooperation with UNESCO Cairo office, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Youth & Sports and Ministry of Education. The event aims to raise the children awareness on water conservation issues. Many activities related to water conservation will take place on the margin of the forum: a literary workshop, painting activities and puppet shows. Children from different governorates all over Egypt will participate in this event.

SE07: 4th Steering Committee Meeting for Lake Victoria in Central Africa to the Mediterranean Sea (VICMED) Project Convener: Nile Water Sector, MWRI



In Progress

Back-to-Back: National training on the World Water Assessment Report Convener: UNESCO Cairo Office and WWAP



In progress

HIGH LEVEL EVENTS

The 4th Session of the Islamic Conference of OIC Ministers Responsible for Water (By Invitation):



Under the umbrella of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), consisting of 57 countries, the 4th Islamic Conference of Ministers Responsible for Water will be held during 14-16 October 2018 in Cairo, Egypt.

The 4th OIC conference main theme “steps on the road” aims to assess the needs for capacity building of the member states. It will also identify the lead water institutes in member states and how they could contribute to capacity building.

The 4th Session of the Islamic Conference of OIC Ministers Responsible for Water and The Senior Officials Meeting will be held from 14-16 October 2018. The Senior Officials Meeting will be organized on October 14, the Ministerial Conference will be organized on October 15 and a field trip will be organized on October 16.

The conference is a great opportunity to explore Egypt's experience in these fields will be possible through alternative field trips to selected projects.

The 3rd Delta Coalition Ministerial Conference (By Invitation):



The Delta Coalition (DC) is the world's first international coalition of governments that have established a partnership to deal with integrated management and sustainable development of the Deltas. It is the outcome of the event on “Building an International Coalition for Integrated Delta Management and Resilience” which was co-hosted by the Netherlands, Colombia and Japan during the 3rd World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (WCDRR). Egypt is the third and current Chair of the Delta Coalition until the third ministerial conference that will be held in Cairo, Egypt during the CWW in October 2018.

The Coalition comprises 13 countries including Argentina, Bangladesh, Colombia, Egypt, France, Indonesia, Japan, Mozambique, Myanmar, the Netherlands, The Philippines, South-Korea and Vietnam.

The Third Ministerial Conference and Working Group Meeting of the Delta Coalition will be held on 15-17 October, 2018. The Delta Coalition Working Group Meeting will be organized on October 15, the Ministerial Conference will be organized on October 16 and a relevant field visit will be organized on October 17.

The Delta Coalition Ministerial Conference and Working Group Meeting will cover a number of themes such as Integrated Coastal Zone Management, Financing Climate Change Adaptation Projects and Climate Resilient Deltas. During the conference, the Delta Coalition Chairmanship will be handed over from Egypt (the current chair) to Japan (the next chair).

COMPETITIONS AND GRANTS

Best graduation projects



All graduation projects, of the academic year 2017/2018, from Governmental and Private Universities were encouraged to apply if their projects fall under the areas of the competition (Irrigation, Hydraulics, Water Management, Coastal Management and Desalination). The invitation was not limited to the Faculties of Engineering; students in other disciplines would apply as well.

The Scientific Committee of the Cairo Water Week will select the best three projects and the winners will present their work during a special session during The 1st African Young Water Professional Forum organized by ICID.

EU competitions (framers, students, journalists)



Under the auspices of the Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation of Egypt, the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation in cooperation with the European Union, launches the National Competition for Water Conservation. The competition's objective is to support the strategic national efforts and initiatives to protect and conserve water resources.

The competition is conducted among three of the most important target groups who can play a key role in achieving such objective; these are Youth, Farmers and Press.

Journalists Grant

The Cairo Water Week Journalist Grant aims to build capacity in water-related issues among journalists active in developing countries, thereby creating the potential for raised awareness among large audiences of listeners and viewers. Through the Cairo Water Week Journalist Grant, we offer journalists from low-income nations the opportunity to visit Cairo and report on Cairo Water Week.

CAIRO WATER WEEK EXPO

The First CWW Expo will be organized in parallel with the Cairo Water Week activities during the period from October 14- 18, 2018 at Nile Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Cairo. It will be a unique opportunity for all public and private institutions in the water sector and related businesses & industries to display their activities, programs, and products and generate modern ideas & advanced technology in the water-related such as desalination, renewable energy, and water conservation technology. You are cordially invited to join the exhibition and to choose your booth among the three available categories: silver, gold and diamond varying in (branded display areas, numbers of wall graphics, power supplies..., etc.). A few more booths are still available for booking.

For more information and reservation, please visit <http://www.cairowaterweek.eg/exhibition>.

REGISTRATION

Registration is required for all participants and accompanying persons. Registration details and on-line registration procedures are available on the CWW website at www.cairowaterweek.eg/register/.

Non-Egyptian Participants		
Full Registration (for the whole event)	Registration	450 USD
	Youth (under 35)	200 USD
	Groups (5 persons or more)	200 USD / person
One Day Registration	Registration	150 USD
	Youth (under 35)	100 USD
	Groups (5 persons or more)	100 USD / person
Egyptian Participants		
Full Registration (for the whole event)	Registration	3000 L.E.
	Youth (under 35)	1500 L.E.
	Groups (5 persons or more)	1500 L.E. / person
One Day Registration	Registration	1000 L.E.
	Youth (under 35)	500 L.E.
	Groups (5 persons or more)	500 L.E. / person

NB: your registration will be activated as soon as we receive your payment document (a copy of bank transfer or payment receipt). The Registration team will send you a confirmation code after receiving the payment document in order to use it in any needed procedures related to the event.

ACCOMMODATION:

Block reservations are furnished at the Nile Ritz-Carlton Hotel where the event will be conducted. Other options for accommodation preferences in neighbouring hotels are also provided for participants' selection as well. Please note that you will not be able to obtain the special rates unless you mention your registration confirmation code. The confirmation code will be send to you by the registration team as soon as they receive a copy of your payment document.

Information on hotel rates is indicated below:

Hotel Name	Rate	Reservation
Nile Ritz-Carlton Hotel the event venue ;1113 Corniche El Nil, Cairø Egypt Phone: +2 02 25778899 Website www.ritzcarlton.com	o Single Deluxe City& Museum View 44 Sqm/BB EGP 2,800 or equivalent in USD o Single Deluxe Nile View 44 Sqm /BB EGP 3,300or equivalent in USD	For reservation please Contact accommodation@cairowaterweek.eg
Steigenberger Hotel El-Tahrir 300 M walking from the Event venue; 2 Kasr El Nil St. El Tahrir. Cairø Egypt P.O. Box 28. Bab El Khalq Phone: +20 2 25750777 Fax: +20 2 25744333 Website: www.eltahrir.steigenberger.com	Single superior room B/B USD 90 Double superior room B/B USD 100	For reservation please Contact reservations.eltahrir@steigenberger.com ahmed.gaby@steigenberger.com
Sheraton Cairo Hotel and Casino (12 J minutes (2.5 km) from the event venue) Galaa Square , P.O. Box 11, Cairo 11511 Giza, Egypt Phone: 20233369700/800 Fax: + 202 3364485 Website www.sheratoncairo.com	Single Deluxe room B/B USD 150	For reservation, kindly find the below booking link www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/CWattendee
Ramses Hilton Hotel (7) minutes (1.5 km) from the event venue ;1115 Corniche El Nile Cairo 12344 Egypt Phone: +20 2 2577 7444 Fax +20 2 25757152 Website www.cairo-ramses.hilton.com	Single superior room B/B USD 90 Double superior room B/B USD 100	For reservation, kindly find the below booking link https://secure3.hilton.com/en_US/hi/reservation/book.htm?execution=e1s1

VENUE



The event will take place in Nile Ritz-Carlton Hotel, located in the spark of the city, with an amazing panoramic view over the beautiful turquoise Nile River, few steps from the Egyptian Museum, Tahrir Square and Down Town. The Hotel was the venue that welcomed many Hollywood stars, political and business leaders.

Hotel address:

1113 Corniche El Nile, Cairo, 11221

For more details about the facilities of the hotel www.ritzcarlton.com

GENERAL INFORMATION

Cairo International airport

Cairo International Airport (code: CIA) is the main international airport of Egypt located in the north-eastern part of Cairo city and about 15 kilometres from the heart of the City's business area; it functions as the main hub for the most Airlines. The venue of the meeting (Nile Ritz-Carlton Hotel) is around 25 kilometres away from Cairo International Airport. It costs approx. EGP125 by taxi from the Cairo International Airport. For more information, please visit: <http://www.cairo-airport.info/>

Local Time

Local time in Cairo is GMT + 2 hours.

Currency and Exchange

The United States dollar is widely accepted. 5,000 Egyptian pounds is the maximum amount of local currency everyone is allowed to bring in or take out of Egypt. There is a limit to the amount of foreign currency that one may bring in and should not exceed US\$ 10,000.

Exchange rate is around 1 USD = 17.91 EGP and 1 EURO = 20.88 EGP.

The most recent exchange rate values may be accessed at the website of the Central Bank of the Arab Republic of Egypt (<http://www.cbe.org.eg>).

Convertible foreign currency can be exchanged at the airport, hotels and exchange oces as well as at all banks in accordance with the daily announced exchange rates at that time. ATMs are found not just in banks, but at supermarkets, shopping malls and on the streets.

Climate & Clothing

The average temperature in Cairo still reaches a high of 30°C (that is about 86°F) during the day and dip now lower than 18°C (about 64°F) at night.

Looking forward to seeing you in Cairo October 2018

Organizing Committee

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CWW 2018

Water Conservation for
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14-18 October 2018
Cairo Egypt.



REGISTRATION (8.30 - 1.30)

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SUNDAY

- 9.00 AM - 1.00 PM
HLE: Senior Official Meeting of 4th ICMW.
- SE 05:** 1Af-Youth Forum.
- 2.00 - 3.30 PM
Official Opening of CWW.
- 3.30-5.30 PM
PS 1: Water Management for Sustainable Development.
- 5.30 - 6.30 PM
Exhibition Opening.
- SE 05:** 1Af-Youth Forum.

REGISTRATION (8.30 - 4.00)

15/10

MONDAY

- 9.30 - 11.30 AM
HLE: 4th ICMW.
HLE: DC meeting.
- PS 2:** Climate Change and Environment
- SE 05:** 1Af-Youth Forum.
- 11.30 AM -12.00 PM
Coffee break
- 12.00 - 1.30 PM
HLE: 4th ICMW.
HLE: DC meeting.
- TS 01:** Fostering the Mediterranean Partnership: Frameworks, Milestones and Challenges, BARI and AWC.
- TS 02:** Gender Mainstreaming in IWRM, UNESCO Cairo Office.
- TS 21:** Water Management for Sustainable Development, MWRI.
- TS 03:** Science and Technology to Improve Land and Water Productivity, ICARDA.
- SE 05:** 1Af-Youth Forum.
- 1.30 - 2.30 PM
Lunch break
- 2.30 - 4.00 PM
HLE: 4th ICMW.
HLE: DC meeting.
- TS 22:** Water Management for Sustainable Development, MWRI.

TENTATIVE OVERALL PROGRAM

SS 04: Launching of the Arabic Version of the World Water Assessment Report 2017 Wastewater: Untapped Resource, UNESCO Cairo Office.

TS 05: VICMED Progress, Way Forward and Case Studies, Nile Water Sector, MWRI.

Poster Session 23: Water Management for Sustainable Development, MWRI.

SE 05: 1Af-Youth Forum.

4.00 -4.30 PM

Coffee break

4.30 - 6.00 PM

HLE: 4th ICMW.

HLE: DC meeting.

TS 24: Climate Change and Environment, MWRI.

TS 06: Transboundary Waters and Sustainable Development in the Arab Region: Challenges and Opportunities, Cairo University, AWC & CEDARE.

TS 07: Strengthen Community Resilience to Achieve Sustainable Development in the Arab Region, RAED.

Poster Session 25: Climate Change and Environment, MWRI.

SE 05: 1Af-Youth Forum.

Poster Session 27: Transboundary Water Governance and Benefit Sharing, MWRI.

SE 05: 1Af-Youth Forum.

REGISTRATION (8.30 - 4.00)

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WEDNESDAY

9.30 - 11.30 AM

PS 3: Transboundary Water Governance and Benefit

SE 03: The 1st EU-EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water Business Forum", EU.

SE 07: 4th Steering Committee Meeting for Lake Victoria in Central Africa to the Mediterranean Sea (VICMED) Project, Nile Water Sector, MWRI.

11.30 AM -12.00 PM

Coffee break

12.00 - 1.30 PM

SE 03: The 1st EU-EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water Business Forum", EU.

SE 07: 4th Steering Committee Meeting for Lake Victoria in Central Africa to the Mediterranean Sea (VICMED) Project, Nile Water Sector, MWRI.

TS 14: Drought Management: Enhancing Capabilities in MENA Region through International Experience Sharing, ICBA.

TS 15: Capacity Building for Sustainable Development: Innovation, Sharing and Partnerships, NBCBN.

TS 16: Opportunities for Faecal Sludge Management in Egypt, Mott MacDonald.

TS 28: Wastewater Management, MWRI.

1.30 - 2.30 PM

Lunch break

2.30 - 4.00 PM

SE 03: The 1st EU-EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water Business Forum", EU.

SE 07: 4th Steering Committee Meeting for Lake Victoria in Central Africa to the Mediterranean Sea (VICMED) Project, Nile Water Sector, MWRI.

TS 17: Drought Risk Insurance: Possibilities and Challenges as Part of Drought Management, ICBA.

TS 18: Developing Shared Water For Economic Prosperity in the Nile Basin, SIWI.

Poster Session 29: Wastewater Management, MWRI.

4.00 -4.30 PM

Coffee break

4.30 - 6.00 PM

SE 03: The 1st EU-EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water Business Forum", EU.

SE 07: 4th Steering Committee Meeting for Lake Victoria in Central Africa to the Mediterranean Sea (VICMED) Project, Nile Water Sector, MWRI.

REGISTRATION (8.30 - 2.00)

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THURSDAY

9.30 - 11.30 AM

PS 5: Science, Technology and Innovation.

SE 04: The 1st EU- EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water dialogue Forum", EU.

11.30 AM -12.00 PM

Coffee break

12.00 - 1.30 PM

SE 04: The 1st EU- EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water dialogue Forum", EU.

TS 19: Best Practices by Farmers for Water Conservation, MWRI.

TS 20: Best Graduation Projects from Universities, MWRI.

TS 30: Science Technology and Innovation, MWRI.

Poster Session 31: Nano Technology in Water Management, MWRI.

1.30 - 2.30 PM

Lunch break

2.30 - 4.00 PM

SE 03: The 1st EU-EGYPT Water Cooperation Day "Water Business Forum", EU.

4.00 -4.30 PM

Coffee break

4.30 - 6.00 PM

Closing Ceremony

- HLE:** High Level Event (by invitation)
- PS:** Plenary Session
- SE:** Side Event (by invitation)
- SS:** Special Sessions
- TS:** Technical Session