

# Preliminary Programme at a Glance



Monday  
22 May 2023

Time	Plenary room <sup>+ online</sup>	Bonn room <sup>+ online</sup>	Berlin room <sup>+ online</sup>	Kleiner Saal	Main Lobby	Online only
09:00 — 10:00	— Registration —					
10:00 — 11:00	<b>Plenary Session</b> Opening and Keynote Address					
11:00 — 12:00	<b>Plenary Session</b> Resilient Water and Sanitation Services on a Finite Planet					
12:00 — 12:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	<b>Films</b> Official selection films	Lunch	
12:30 — 13:30		<b>WOPs</b> The German Water Sector in a nutshell				
13:30 — 15:00	<b>Innovation</b> Towards digitalization of water supply: Improving service delivery and promoting sustainability using digital tools	<b>WOPs</b> Beyond infrastructure: Sustainable management models for rural water and sanitation service delivery	<b>WOPs</b> From Project to National Strategy: Expanding the Ethiopian WOP Experience	<b>WOPs</b> European Regional Session: Enablers' Dialogue #2: Human Resources for WOPs: how to mobilize utility staff for peer partnerships?		
15:00 — 15:45	Break		Break	<b>WOPs</b> Round table led by DWA on the role of technical Water Associations	<b>WOPs</b> Posters: WOPs Good practices and innovation	<b>WOPs</b> Community of Practice Meet & Greet
15:45 — 17:15	<b>Climate &amp; nature-based</b> Utilities mitigating climate change	<b>WOPs</b> Middle East and Northern Africa Regional Session: From Crisis to Opportunity: Collaborating for Sustainable Water Solutions in a Water Scarce MENA region		<b>WOPs</b> WOPs Special Issue Journal: Principles and practices <sup>1</sup>		
17:15 — 18:15	<b>Plenary Session</b> Future facing operators: Perspectives and innovations to reach the SDGs					
19:00 — 20:00	<b>Special Event</b> Opening cocktail co-hosted by the City of Bonn and BMZ at Old Rathaus (City Hall) Upon registration only					

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08:00 — 09:00	<b>Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> Stronger Together - Women's Mentoring Breakfast					
9:00 — 10:15	<b>Plenary Session</b> Reducing Inequalities: Inclusive utilities, inclusive services					
10:15 — 10:30	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	
10:30 — 12:00	<b>Climate &amp; nature-based</b> Grounding nature-based solutions and water resource protection	<b>Sanitation</b> Sanitation and wastewater management in SWOPs	<b>Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> Adopting a Gender lens for the future of water and sanitation jobs	<b>Innovation</b> New Tools for Utilities to Move Forward: Self-Assessment and Benchmarking for Performance, Management, and Credit Worthiness		
12:00 — 12:30	Lunch	<b>Films</b> Official selection films	Lunch	<b>Sanitation</b> SuSanA meets the water operators	Digital Learning Lab <sup>1</sup>	<b>WOPs</b> Community of Practice Meet & Greet
12:30 — 13:30		<b>WOPs</b> Publications launch	<b>WOPs</b> Workshop: Communicating about my WOPs		Digital Learning Lab <sup>2</sup>	
13:30 — 15:00	<b>Climate &amp; nature-based</b> Exploring energy options for water production and climate resilience: challenges and opportunities	<b>Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> Equitable water and sanitation provision in low income areas and informal settlements	<b>Sanitation</b> Tools to Support Utilities Design and Operationalize Safe, Inclusive, and Sustainable Service Models in Sanitation	<b>WOPs</b> WOPs Special Issue Journal: Principles and practices <sup>2</sup>		
15:00 — 15:45	Break	<b>Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> Workshop: How Utility Managers empower the best Young Professionals	<b>WOPs</b> German Utility platform: WOP Experiences from Zambia, Tanzania, Jordan, South Africa and Ukraine		Digital Learning Lab <sup>3</sup>	<b>WOPs</b> Posters: WOPs Good practices and innovations
15:45 — 17:15	<b>Climate &amp; nature-based</b> Sustainable Water Management for Improved Urban Liveability and Resilience	<b>Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> WOPs in Humanitarian Settings - Solidarity Partnerships before, during and after emergencies	<b>WOPs</b> South Eastern Europe: Regional Session: 'Let's see, could we WOP SEE?'	15:45 — 16:30 Urban Water Catalyst Initiative		16:00 — 17:30 <b>WOPs</b> Building Together the Water and Sanitation Sector in the Caribbean through Communities of Practice
17:15 — 18:15	<b>Plenary Session</b> Holistic Approaches to Urban Sanitation and Water Management					
18:30 — 20:00	<b>Special Event</b> Water Resilience for the SDGs and Beyond: Adapting Governance and Infrastructure Bonn water network and city of Bonn at IDOS, followed by cocktail Upon registration only					

Wednesday  
24 May 2023

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09:00 — 10:15	<b>Plenary Session</b> Enabling WOPs, Enabling Investment					
10:15 — 10:30	Break	Break	Break	Break	Skill competition demonstration with Worldskills <sup>1</sup>	
10:30 — 12:00	<b>WOPs</b> Asian Regional Session: The Role of WOPs in Adapting to Climate Change in Urban Asia	<b>Innovation</b> Transitioning into digital asset management with mWater	<b>Climate &amp; nature-based</b> Workshop: WaterProof: Rapid Return on Investment Assessment of Nature-based Solutions for Water Security	<b>Innovation</b> WOPs for KPI based Improvement		
12:00 — 12:30	Lunch		Lunch	Lunch	Skill competition demonstration with Worldskills <sup>2</sup>	
12:30 — 13:30		Lunch	<b>WOPs</b> Workshop: Monitoring of WOPs: GWOPs Partnership Management Platform showcasing/ training			
13:30 — 15:00	<b>WOPs</b> African Regional Session: Boosting the WOP model via a joint Capacity Development Program mobilizing training hubs throughout Africa	<b>Sanitation</b> Why and how can water utilities better support global wastewater monitoring?	<b>Sanitation</b> Neighbourhood participation changes everything: participatory evaluation in infrastructure and services	<b>WOPs</b> WOPs Special Issue Journal: Principles and practices <sup>3</sup>		
15:00 — 15:30	Break	Break	Break		Skill competition demonstration with Worldskills <sup>3</sup>	
15:30 — 17:00	<b>Equity &amp; Inclusion</b> Leadership for Transparent and Accountable WOPs	<b>Sanitation</b> Improving working conditions for sanitation workers through standardized FSM Services	<b>WOPs</b> Regional Session: Sharing knowledge in Latin America and the Caribbean: What we already know and what we still need to learn	<b>WOPs</b> Understanding Results in WOPs: Zooming in on EU WOP		
17:00 — 18:00	<b>Plenary Session</b> Closing plenary: Scaling WOPs for Impact					
18:00 — 19:30	<b>WOPs</b> German WOP forum: Live stream					

Thursday  
25 May 2023

Excursion Day	
Field excursions by City of Bonn	
09:30 — 12:30	<p><b>Excursion 1</b></p> <p><b>New Rhine intake and early warning system for the Mehlemer Bach stream</b></p> <p>Following severe stream flooding with millions of euros worth of damage to infrastructure alone, a cut-off structure was built on the lower reaches of the Mehlemer Bach stream.</p> <p>In future, this will relieve the old stream bed during heavy rainfall, protect the town and channel large volumes of water underground directly into the Rhine.</p> <p>At the same time, an early warning system was established. The civil engineering office of the city of Bonn will guide and accompany the excursion.</p> <p>The excursion includes a short walk, please wear appropriate shoes and bring rain/sun protection and water.</p> <p>Max. participation: 47 persons Transportation: Bus Language: English</p> <p>Upon registration only   Departure point tbc</p>
	<p><b>Excursion 2</b></p> <p><b>Quality assurance and training in Bonn wastewater treatment plants</b></p> <p>The Bad Godesberg wastewater treatment plant is idyllically located on the edge of the Rheinaue recreational park and, with a capacity of 110,000 inhabitants, treats wastewater for around one third of Bonn's population.</p> <p>Its special feature: since 2017, it has been equipped with QR codes for quality assurance.</p> <p>The so-called wastewater technology training kit will also be presented. Developed in Bonn, it is now also used abroad as a compact module for capacity building through training staff in wastewater treatment plants, including in Jordan.</p> <p>For safety reasons, please wear sturdy shoes.</p> <p>Max. participation: 47 persons Transportation: Bus Language: English</p> <p>Upon registration only   Departure point tbc</p>

- Climate & Nature-based Solutions
- Equity & Inclusion
- Innovation
- Plenary Session
- Sanitation
- WOPs

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