



Final Announcement

Cairo Water Week 2025

**"Innovative Solutions for Climate
Resilience and Water Sustainability"**

12–16 October | Cairo, Egypt



Your Preview to Cairo Water Week 2025

Cairo Water Week 2025 Begins Here: **Message from the Permanent Secretariat**

Dear Distinguished Participants,

On behalf of the Egyptian Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI) and the Cairo Water Week Secretariat, it is our privilege to welcome you to the eighth edition of Cairo Water Week (CWW2025). The event will be held from 12-16 October 2025 at the Triumph Luxury Hotel, Cairo, under the main theme “Innovative Solutions for Climate Resilience and Water Sustainability.”

CWW has grown as a leading international platform bringing together government leaders, experts, practitioners, academics, development partners, and the private sector. This year, the focus is on innovation, turning strong ideas into scalable tools, policies, and practices that strengthen water security, drive climate action, and improve the performance of water services.

Across the program, discussions will focus on cooperation within and across borders to manage shared resources responsibly; on assessing climate risks and advancing sound mitigation and adaptation measures, including early-warning and preparedness for droughts and floods; on practical advancements that raise the reliability and efficiency of water resources management, such as digital monitoring, decision-support tools, and fit-for-purpose treatment and safe reuse; on approaches drawn from nature restored watersheds, green infrastructure, and ecological methods that protect people and improve water quality; and on the long-term stewardship of assets through life-cycle planning, condition assessment, risk-based maintenance, performance benchmarking, and sustainable financing.

Over five days, the agenda features high-level and technical sessions, policy dialogues, capacity-building workshops, partner side events, youth and university engagements, competitions, poster activities, and a curated exhibition. The exhibition hall will gather technology providers, utilities, research institutions, start-ups, and international organizations to present practical solutions and real-world case studies. Dedicated networking moments throughout the week will help participants forge new partnerships and advance ongoing initiatives.

We invite you to take part fully in the sessions and activities, and to enjoy the hospitality and cultural richness of Cairo surrounding the Triumph Luxury Hotel. We look forward to a productive week that delivers clear takeaways and partnerships for climate resilience and water sustainability.

Warmest regards,

CWW Permanent Secretariat

CWW2025 Is Coming: **Mark Your Calendar**



Welcome to Our Host Hotel: **Triumph Luxury Hotel**

Set in New Cairo's Fifth Settlement, Triumph Luxury Hotel combines fresh, modern design with calm, refined interiors in a prime location. It is minutes from key business hubs, top shopping destinations, and a range of evening entertainment. Cairo International Airport is a straightforward drive away, which keeps arrivals and departures smooth. Inside, you will find modern facilities, comfortable rooms, and attentive service from a welcoming team, suitable for both business and leisure stays. For details on amenities and services, please visit the Triumph Luxury Hotel website: <https://triumphhotel.com/luxury-home>

CWW 2025: Pioneering Solutions for a Sustainable Water Future

CWW has established itself as one of the leading platforms in the Middle East and Africa dedicated to addressing water challenges through international cooperation and knowledge sharing. Over time, it has grown into an essential venue where policymakers, experts, and stakeholders come together to influence water strategies, advance innovation, and encourage sustainable practices.

The eighth edition of CWW will take place from **12-16 October 2025 at the Triumph Luxury Hotel in Cairo, Egypt, under the theme “Innovative Solutions for Climate Resilience and Water Sustainability.” Held under the auspices of His Excellency President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and organized by the Egyptian Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation**, the conference will spotlight new approaches to enhance the resilience of water systems and infrastructure. It will also examine the escalating risks of climate change, such as droughts, floods, and increasingly weather events.

CWW 2025 will discuss the importance of sustainable and inclusive water management, supported by stronger regional cooperation, cross-sector partnerships, and adaptive planning. Discussions will focus on how innovation, digital solutions, and advanced technologies can optimize water use while ensuring reliability and long-term sustainability. Equally emphasized will be nature-based approaches that restore ecosystems and provide cost-effective, environmentally friendly water solutions.

Acknowledging that sustainability requires more than building new facilities, this year’s event will highlight the importance of maintaining and optimizing existing infrastructure alongside developing sound investment strategies. It will also address ways to reduce exposure to climate risks through improved early warning systems and integrated policies that advance both adaptation and mitigation.

Through engaging sessions, interactive workshops, and collaborative dialogue, CWW 2025 seeks to translate ideas into action bridging knowledge with practical implementation to secure sustainable water access for all.



Key Themes of CWW 2025: **What We Aim to Address?**

The eighth edition of CWW will be held under the main theme: “Innovative Solutions for Climate Resilience and Water Sustainability.” This year’s conference will emphasize the urgent need for forward-thinking strategies that strengthen water systems and enhance resilience to climate change. Through a diverse agenda of plenary and technical sessions, organized in collaboration with leading international and regional institutions, CWW 2025 will examine five interrelated themes each contributing to a broader understanding of sustainable water management in a changing world.



Theme 1:

Cooperation for Sustainable Water Management

Highlights the vital role of collaboration at regional and international levels to address water and climate challenges effectively. It focuses on strengthening governance and policy frameworks for managing transboundary water resources, promoting integrated approaches through the Water-Energy-Food Nexus. The theme also emphasizes the importance of sustainable financing and capacity building to support water projects. Additionally, it explores how water diplomacy can foster dialogue and partnerships across borders, driving cooperation and resilience for sustainable water management. The following sub-themes detail the key areas of focus within this theme:

- Fostering Regional and International Cooperation for Water and Climate.
- Strengthening Transboundary Water Governance and Policy Frameworks.
- Water-Energy-Food Nexus: Collaborative Solutions for Sustainability.
- Financing Water Projects: Investment and Capacity Building.
- Water Diplomacy in Transboundary Water Systems.



Theme 2:

Climate Change Vulnerability, Mitigation, and Adaptation

Explores the impacts of climate change on water resources and the strategies needed to address them. It examines how shifting climate patterns increase vulnerabilities in water systems and emphasizes the importance of adopting mitigation measures to work toward a net-zero future. The theme also focuses on building adaptive, resilient water infrastructures, particularly in vulnerable coastal and urban areas. Central to this approach is empowering local communities and advancing gender equality, ensuring that water management solutions are inclusive and effective in meeting the challenges posed by climate change. The following sub-themes detail the key areas of focus within this theme:

- Water resources Vulnerability under A Changing Climate.
- Mitigation Strategies for Water Resources: Achieving a Net-Zero Future.
- Adaptation to Climate Change: Building Resilient Water Systems.
- Achieving Resilience for Coastal Areas and Urban Centers.
- Empowering Communities and Promoting Gender Equality in Water Management.



Theme 3:

Innovations for Resilient Water Resources Management

focuses on cutting-edge technologies and approaches that enhance the sustainability and resilience of water systems. It highlights the role of advanced tools such as artificial intelligence and smart management technologies in optimizing water use. The theme also covers non-conventional water sources including desalination, water reuse, and rainwater harvesting as vital components of future water supply. Emphasizing innovative strategies within the Water-Energy-Food Nexus, it promotes integrated solutions that balance resource demands. Additionally, it showcases advanced modelling techniques and smart practices designed to improve water productivity and ensure more efficient, adaptive water management. The following sub-themes detail the key areas of focus within this theme:

- Innovative Technologies and AI for Smart Water Management.
- Non-conventional Water Resources: Desalination, Water Reuse, and Rainwater Harvesting.
- Innovative Approach for the Water-Energy-Food Nexus.
- Advanced Modeling Techniques for Enhancing Water Management.
- Smart Solutions for Boosting Water Productivity.



Theme 4:

Nature-Based Solutions for Sustainable Water Systems

Emphasizes the integration of eco-friendly approaches to enhance water quality and manage water resources sustainably. It promotes the use of cost-effective advanced technologies alongside natural methods that support healthy ecosystems. The theme focuses on protecting communities from flash floods, implementing green infrastructure for urban drainage, and adopting integrated coastal zone management to preserve coastal environments and build resilience. The following sub-themes detail the key areas of focus within this theme:

- Enhancing Water Quality by Using Cost Effective Advanced Technologies.
- Ecosystem-Friendly Water System Approach.
- Protecting Communities Against Flash Floods Impacts.
- Green Infrastructure for Sustainable Urban Drainage.
- Integrated Coastal Zone Management.



Theme 5:

Infrastructure Asset Management for Sustainability

focuses on the strategic planning and upkeep of water infrastructure to meet current and future demands. It highlights life-cycle cost considerations and the importance of optimizing operations and maintenance to reduce service disruptions. The theme also covers monitoring asset performance to ensure efficiency, improving irrigation and drainage systems, and developing essential infrastructure for water, sanitation, and hygiene to support sustainable service delivery. The following sub-themes detail the key areas of focus within this theme:

- Strategic Water Asset Planning Considering Life-Cycle Costs and Future Needs.
- Optimizing Operations and Maintenance to Minimize Disruptions and Improve Service Delivery.
- Asset Performance Monitoring and Evaluation to Ensure Optimal Functioning.
- Improving and Rehabilitating Irrigation and Drainage Infrastructure.
- Developing Infrastructure for Water, Sanitation and Hygiene.



CWW 2025: **A Week of Ideas in Action**

CWW 2025 offers a dynamic program of plenaries, technical sessions, workshops, and exhibitions that connect global experts, policymakers, and innovators. From showcasing cutting-edge technologies to fostering collaboration and capacity-building, the week's activities are designed to turn dialogue into practical solutions for resilient and sustainable water management.



Plenary Sessions, Policy, Science, and Practice Aligned

Cooperation for Sustainable Water Management

Convener: Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt

Co-Convener: Nile Water Sector

Partial Sponsor: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

This session aligns with the broader CWW 2025 theme by highlighting how collaborative approaches can foster new solutions, particularly in climate-sensitive and water-stressed regions. It provides a high-level platform to enhance dialogue and knowledge exchange on successful cooperation models that promote sustainable water management, with a focus on resilience-building in the context of climate change. Special attention will be given to transboundary cooperation frameworks that enable shared governance, trust-building, and joint investment across borders. The session aims to present actionable guidance, best practices, and policy recommendations that inspire collaboration and better water governance.

Climate Change Vulnerability, Mitigation, and Adaptation

Conveners: Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt

Partial Sponsor: International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA)

Climate change is intensifying pressure on water systems, exacerbating vulnerabilities and disproportionately affecting communities with limited adaptive capacity. From prolonged droughts and extreme floods to declining water quality and ecosystem degradation, the impacts of climate change threaten the sustainability of water resources, food systems, public health, and economic development.

As the global climate continues to change, water managers, policymakers, and communities must develop and implement integrated approaches to mitigate risks and build resilience. Effective climate responses require a deep understanding of vulnerabilities, proactive mitigation strategies, and context-specific adaptation pathways. These must be guided by science, grounded in inclusive governance, and supported by innovation and finance.

This session will examine the interconnectedness of water and climate, with a focus on addressing vulnerability, implementing mitigation strategies, and accelerating adaptation.

Innovations for Resilient Water Resources Management

Convener: Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt

Partial Sponsor: National Water Research Center (NWRC)

In a world increasingly affected by climate variability, population growth, and environmental degradation, traditional approaches to water management are no longer sufficient. The demand for resilient, adaptive, and forward-thinking water governance has never been more urgent. Innovation, technological, institutional, financial, and social, is at the heart of transforming water management systems to withstand present and future challenges.

This session will explore how innovations are redefining the landscape of water resources management, enabling data-driven decision-making, real-time monitoring, improved efficiency, and stronger community engagement. From smart infrastructure and predictive analytics to circular water solutions and participatory governance models, these innovations are creating new opportunities for climate resilience and sustainability. Also, this session will spotlight how cutting-edge innovations are supporting the shift toward more resilient water systems across different regions and sectors.

Nature-Based Solutions for Sustainable Water Systems

Convener: Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt

Partial Sponsor: International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

Nature-based solutions (NbS) are emerging as powerful, cost-effective, and multifunctional tools for addressing water-related challenges while delivering co-benefits for biodiversity, climate mitigation, and community well-being. From restoring wetlands and protecting watersheds to implementing green infrastructure in urban areas, NbS offer holistic approaches that work with nature, rather than against it, to enhance the resilience and sustainability of water systems.

Despite their potential, the integration of NbS into mainstream water policy and planning remains limited by gaps in financing, governance, and technical capacity. This session will explore successful models, challenges, and opportunities for scaling nature-based solutions in water management, especially in the context of climate change and water scarcity. It will emphasize how NbS can drive climate resilience, reduce water risks, and support sustainable development, particularly when embedded in inclusive, multi-sectoral strategies.

Infrastructure Asset Management for Sustainability

Convener: Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Egypt

Sustainable infrastructure asset management is critical for ensuring the long-term functionality, resilience, and cost-effectiveness of water systems. As water utilities and infrastructure networks face increasing pressure from climate change, urbanization, and aging assets, there is a growing need for innovative and strategic approaches to manage these systems efficiently throughout their life cycles.

From large-scale dams and treatment plants to urban pipelines and drainage systems, infrastructure must be maintained, upgraded, and operated with sustainability in mind. Asset management helps optimize investments, reduce operational risks, and extend service life while supporting climate adaptation and sustainability goals.

This session will explore how modern asset management frameworks, digital technologies, and risk-based planning contribute to sustainable water infrastructure. It aligns with CWW 2025's overarching theme by emphasizing the role of innovation and resilience in securing water services for future generations.

Building Momentum: **Pre-Conference Events for Resilient Water Futures**

World Water Council Board of Governors Meeting (Closed Meeting)

Convener: World Water Council

The World Water Council is a leading international platform representing all water-related communities across various sectors and levels from local stakeholders to global policymakers. As a multi-stakeholder organization, the World Water Council brings together intergovernmental institutions, governments, civil society, academic institutions and organizations from the private sector to foster dialogue and collaboration around the world's most pressing water challenges. Its mission is to place water at the heart of political agendas to improve water governance, promote sustainable management, and ensure universal access to water. As part of its ongoing efforts, the World Water Council holds regular Board of Governors meetings, composed of representatives elected by its members. One such session to take place during Cairo Water Week offers a space to discuss orientations and long-term strategies, while also welcoming guests to share their perspectives on water-related issues. This exchange of views helps shape the World Water Council's priorities and influence international water policy. By fostering such high-level engagement, the World Water Council continues to drive forward its vision of water as a key component of global development and equity





High Level Events: **Leaders Shaping Water & Climate Solutions**

EG-NL High-Level Expert Water Panel

Convener: Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI)

Co convener: Dutch Embassy in Egypt

Experts from both nations engaged in fruitful discussions, sharing knowledge and insights to boost collaborative efforts in water management. The World Water Council continues to drive forward its vision of water as a key component of global development and equity.

The Joint Ministerial Meeting of Arab Ministers of Water and Agriculture


Conveners: Egypt, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)


Egypt will host, on the sidelines of the 8th Cairo Water Week, on 15 October 2025, the Joint Ministerial Meeting of Arab Ministers of Water and Agriculture. Convened under the auspices of the League of Arab States, this high-level meeting will bring together ministers of water and agriculture from 22 Arab countries to strengthen cooperation and coordination in achieving regional water and food security, address shared challenges related to water and agricultural resources, enhance joint action regarding climate change resilience, and promote the exchange of knowledge, experiences, and best practices in these fields. The ministerial session will be preceded, on 14 October 2025, by the meeting of the Joint High-Level Technical, Scientific, and Advisory Committee on Water and Agriculture to undertake technical preparations and deliberate on the agenda items for endorsement by the ministerial council.

Arab Region Commitments to the 2026 UN Water Conference

Convener: ESCWA

This session will bring together high level representatives from the Arab Region to deliberate progress and efforts to achieve the goals of the Water Action Decade in the Arab region in advance of the 2026 UN Water Conference.





Side Events & Workshops: **A Hub for Practical Problem-Solving**

37th General Assembly of INWRDAM

Conveners: Inter-Islamic Network on Water Resources Development and Management (INWRDAM)

As part of INWRDAM's continued commitment to fostering sustainable development and cross-sectoral cooperation among OIC member states, the 37th General Assembly will convene thought leaders, technical experts, community innovators, and institutional partners to address practical solutions and policy pathways within the Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems (WEFE) Nexus.

Expected Participants: Senior officials from OIC member states and regional organizations, Ambassadors and diplomatic missions, International development agencies and donors, Researchers, engineers, and environmental scientists, Civil society actors and community-based organizations, Youth leaders and WEFE Nexus practitioners

EU-Egypt Water Investment Forum

Convener: European Union (EU)

The EU–Egypt Water Investment Forum is a flagship platform driving the strategic partnership between the European Union and Egypt, with a dedicated focus on integrated water management and food security. Rooted in the Team Europe initiative and the Joint Declaration on the Water Partnership, the Forum underscores the transformative role of public–private partnerships and circular economy models in addressing Egypt's water challenges.

Executive Council Meeting of the INWRDAM

Conveners: Inter-Islamic Network on Water Resources Development and Management (INWRDAM)

This closed high-level session will provide a dedicated space for official representatives of INWRDAM's member states to engage in in-depth discussion and decision-making on institutional, strategic, and administrative matters. It is designed to complement the broader outcomes of the 37th General Assembly and ensure member states' perspectives are directly reflected in INWRDAM's future programming.

Objectives of the session are to Discussion of policy and technical conclusions presented during the 37th Assembly, Member state inputs on implementation pathways for regional priorities, Review of INWRDAM's ongoing projects, upcoming initiatives, and operational performance.

Public Private Dialouge on NBS

Convener: IWWI

Co-convener: International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

The session will explore collaborative models that blend public policy, private investment, and community co-design to address pressing challenges of water scarcity, land degradation, and climate resilience. Drawing on local experiences and regional success stories, participants will identify actionable pathways to de-risk investment, enhance regulatory support, and ensure equitable benefits—particularly for women and marginalized groups. The dialogue aims to catalyze long-term partnerships that embed NbS into sustainable development and green infrastructure planning.

Nile Academic Exchange Program (NAEP)

Conveners: IHE Delft Institute for Water Education

Co-Convener: Nile Basin Capacity Building Network (NBCBN)

One Water Project - Final Wrap-Up Meeting - Towards a Unified Strategic Vision for Water Security in the Mediterranean

Conveners: CIHEAM Bari, One Water Committee Italy, Arab Water Council

This high-level event is part of the “ONE WATER” initiative – For fair, efficient and sustainable water management in the Mediterranean region. The initiative fosters regional cooperation between MENA and Balkan countries by promoting a multi-stakeholder approach to sustainable water resources management.

As the concluding milestone in a multi-stakeholder engagement process, the meeting aims to synthesize insights gathered in a series of sub-regional meetings and formulate a shared strategic vision for water sustainability. It will highlight successful practices, ongoing challenges, and regional priorities identified by participating countries and actors, and contribute to shaping the agenda of the Euro-Mediterranean Water Forum 2026.

By convening institutional representatives, technical experts, and stakeholders from diverse sectors and subregions, this event serves as a platform for inclusive dialogue and collaborative reflection. Its ultimate goal is to advance policy alignment, operational coordination, and a unified commitment to addressing the most pressing water-related challenges through cooperation, innovation, and integrated governance.

4th Joint Policy Advisory and Managing Committees Meeting

Convener: Inter-Islamic Network on Water Resources Development and Management (INWRDAM)

The 4th Joint Meeting of the Policy Advisory Committee and Managing Committee of Blue Peace Middle East high-level meeting will bring together members of the PAC and MC from Jordan, Türkiye, Iran, Syria, Lebanon, and Iraq to strengthen regional cooperation on transboundary water governance and sustainable resource management. This high-level meeting follows the successful 3rd joint meeting held at the Dead Sea in 2024, which marked a major leadership transition and renewed commitment to shared river basin management and WEFE Nexus integration. The meeting will provide a collaborative platform to:

- Review the implementation of ongoing activities of the initiative.
- Align regional efforts on the WEFE Nexus and water diplomacy.
- Discuss cross-sectoral cooperation, institutional strengthening, and stakeholder engagement.
- Define future directions for the Blue Peace process in alignment with regional water security challenges.

Spotlight: Al-Murunah+ Pioneering Gender-Transformative Nature-based Solutions for Climate Adaptation in MENA

Convener: IWMI

Co-conveners: What Works SDDirect, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Syria, Centre for Environment and Development for the Arab Region and Europe (CEDARE), UNWOMEN

This session at Cairo Water Week 2025 introduces Al-Murunah+, a regional initiative by the International Water Management Institute (IWMI) and IUCN, as an innovative model for gender-transformative Nature-based Solutions (NbS) within climate change adaptation across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). Designed to address the intersecting vulnerabilities of climate impacts and social inequalities, Al-Murunah+ places gender equality and social inclusion at the heart of sustainable environmental action.

The session will explore how gender-responsive NbS can go beyond technical solutions to drive deeper social transformation—amplifying women’s leadership, restoring ecosystems, and enabling equitable, climate-resilient livelihoods.

6th Annual Conference on Water Finance & Investment

Convener: EU

Co Convener: Union for Mediterranean (UfM)

The Mediterranean and EU regions face shared challenges in achieving water-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). A financially resilient water sector is critical to addressing these challenges. Based on the 2017 UfM Ministerial Declaration on Water, the Water Agenda and Financial Strategy were endorsed in 2018.

Since 2019, the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) has hosted annual conferences covering public–private partnerships, investment frameworks, climate resilience, the Water–Energy–Food–Ecosystems (WEFE) nexus, and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) services. The 2025 focus is to present the newly endorsed UfM Recommendations on Water Finance. Special emphasis on the role of domestic commercial banks, national public development banks, and international banking institutions in financing WASH and WEFE projects.

Bridging Water Governance and Food Security: Policy Innovations from OIC Regions

Convener: IWMI

Co-Convener: Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS)

This session will showcase of best policy practices linking water management to agricultural systems, drawing on lessons from North Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia. It will include a panel of water specialists, agri-food experts, and policy analysts will ensure a well-rounded and impactful discussion.

Women's Leadership in Water Governance for Resilient Water Futures in the Middle East

Convener: The London School of Economics and Political Science

Co-conveners: The National Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development MEYAH Foundation

As climate change intensifies water scarcity, women's knowledge and leadership are indispensable to water resilience. Although some progress has been made towards gender equality, women's contributions to water resilience continue to be constrained by structural and cultural forms of discrimination that hinder their full participation in water governance. This workshop will serve as a platform to explore the crucial role women play in water resilience in the Middle East, while also highlighting their unique knowledge and perspectives. It will identify the challenges and opportunities that hinder or promote women's participation and leadership in water governance. Through integrating lived experiences and scientific perspectives, this event aims to foster greater inclusion of women's voices in water governance; promote the development of frameworks that place greater value on women's knowledge and skills; and provide opportunities for networking among women in the water sector. The event will bring together water scientists, gender specialists, government representatives, and local community leaders committed to addressing water scarcity and eliminating gender disparity in the water sector. Participants will have the opportunity to share stories, explore tangible solutions for promoting women into leadership roles, and strengthen partnerships to achieve the goals of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Water development & Research opportunities in Egypt

Convener: IWMI

Co-Convener: MWRI

This closed meeting aims to align national priorities with international funding and partnership opportunities to accelerate water research and innovation for resilience. It will foster dialogue between national institutions and global partners to identify synergies, close gaps, and co-design impactful R&D initiatives that address urgent water challenges.

EU-AI vs Reality – Water Photography exhibition and debate

Convener: EU

The AI vs Reality Workshop & Exhibition is a creative and interactive activity taking place during CWW 2025. It invites photographers, water advocates, and enthusiasts to showcase the difference between human-captured photography and AI-generated imagery. The initiative highlights how human emotion, creativity, and lived experience bring authenticity to photography, while AI, despite its growing capabilities, cannot fully replicate this depth. An open call will invite participants to submit photographs reflecting any aspect of the water sector—nature, people, technology, infrastructure, or community life. All entries will be displayed on the Reality Wall from the first day of CWW until the workshop day. During the workshop, participants will select one photo from the Reality Wall, generate an AI version of it using image tools, and display both side by side on the AI Wall. A jury-led debate will then bring together water experts, photographers, and creatives to compare AI and reality images, discuss emotional impact, and engage the audience. The session will conclude with recognition of the photograph that best captures water storytelling. This workshop blends technology, creativity, and dialogue to raise awareness of AI's strengths and limitations.

EU-Innovation Hackathon for Waterpreneurs Empowering Egypt's Next Generation of Water Innovators

Convener: EU

The Innovation Hackathon for Waterpreneurs, funded by the EU Delegation to Egypt (EUD) and coordinated by CEEBA with ACG as activity partner, is an AI-integrated entrepreneurship journey equipping Egypt's youth with tools and mentorship to develop sustainable, investable water solutions. The program targets 60–30 students, graduates, postgraduates, and young professionals and culminates in a Final Pitch Day on October 2025, 15 at Cairo Water Week. The main Objectives are to include empowering youth to launch water-focused startups, promoting sustainability, integrating AI into solutions, and building a strong mentorship and incubation ecosystem for future water entrepreneurs across Egypt.

Technical Sessions: Spotlight on Solutions

NWRC-PRIMA project “Converting Marginal Lands of the Mediterranean Basin into Productive and Sustainable Agroecosystems Using Low Water Demanding Neglected and Underutilized Species VENUS 200

Convener: National Water Research Center (NWRC)

As part of its ongoing efforts to enhance international cooperation, the NWRC of Egypt, in partnership with ELGO-DIMITRA of Greece, will hold a joint session during Cairo Water Week 2025. The session will showcase their collaboration under the PRIMA-funded project on transforming marginal Mediterranean lands into productive agroecosystems using drought- and salinity-tolerant Neglected and Underutilized Species (NUS). This innovative approach supports climate-resilient agriculture, improves soil health, reduces water use, and contributes to food and income security in rural areas.

Strategies for Mitigation of Water Scarcity under Climate Stress

Convener: NWRC

Emphasize innovative strategies, including technological and policy innovations that enhance resilience in the face of climate-induced water scarcity.

Hydrological Futures: Seasonal Trends, Flood Risk, and Climate Pressures

Convener: NWRC

This technical session explores the evolving hydrological landscape of the Nile Basin under the growing pressures of climate change. Titled «Hydrological Futures: Seasonal Trends, Flood Risk, and Climate Pressures», the session will highlight current scientific advancements and collaborative efforts aimed at improving seasonal forecasting, understanding flood dynamics, and assessing long-term climate impacts on water systems. Drawing on findings from a joint research initiative between Egypt’s Water Resources Research Institute (WRRI), the Nile Water Sector at the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI), and Chinese research institutions funded by the Science and Technology Development Fund (STDF) the session will showcase the development of cutting-edge hydrological models and climate forecasting tools. Through regional and international cooperation, the session aims to demonstrate how science-driven

strategies and transboundary collaboration can support adaptive water management and bolster climate resilience across the Nile River Basin.

Joint Vision for the Future: NWRC & CIHEAM Bari Collaboration

Convener: NWRC

This session will highlight the long-standing partnership between the NWRC of Egypt and CIHEAM Bari in Italy, with a focus on advancing joint efforts in capacity building, postgraduate education, and collaborative research. Building on CIHEAM Bari’s recognized expertise in hydrological modeling, water resource management, and sustainable agriculture—particularly in data-scarce and climate-vulnerable regions—the session will explore future opportunities for joint training programs targeting MSc and PhD students. It will also showcase success stories and lessons learned from past exchanges and internships. Furthermore, the session aims to strengthen cooperation in developing and submitting joint research proposals to international funding agencies. Emphasis will be placed on thematic areas of mutual interest such as water-energy-food nexus, climate resilience, and digital innovation in water management. This dialogue will serve as a platform to align institutional priorities and open new pathways for impactful, cross-border collaboration.

Consolidating Progress, Envisioning Tomorrow: NWRC’s Pathway to Sustainable Water Management

Convener: NWRC

Closing the event, this session reflects on NWRC’s five decades of contributions to scientific knowledge and practical solutions in water resources management. It will highlight lessons learned and identify critical areas for innovation and collaboration. The dialogue will focus on developing integrated approaches that enhance water security and climate resilience, ensuring NWRC’s leadership in guiding Egypt’s water future.

Water Sustainability Hackathon

Convener: Regional center for training & water studies (RCTWS)

The Water Sustainability Hackathon, launched by the RCTWS, is an innovative event aimed at driving digital solutions for sustainable water management. Focus Areas Include:

Efficient water resource management. Smart irrigation and sustainable agriculture, Water reuse and rationalization of consumption, & Data analysis and forecasting of water crises. This hackathon offers a unique opportunity for individuals passionate about technology, innovation, and sustainability to address critical water issues using AI, smart systems, and data-driven solutions.

iWater: The Role of Transdisciplinary IWRM in Enhancing Climate Resilience and Water Sustainability

Convener: TH Köln, University of Applied Sciences, NWRC

Co-convener: Ain Shams University and Mansoura University

The iWater Project aims to drive transformative change in Egypt's water sector by establishing innovative transdisciplinary partnerships between German and Egyptian universities, alongside key stakeholders from the public, private, and civic sectors. The project focuses on Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM), a vital approach to overcoming water scarcity and building climate resilience in Egypt.

This session, part of Cairo Water Week 2025, will explore the pivotal role of Transdisciplinary IWRM in enhancing water sustainability and climate resilience. The session will showcase the outcomes of the iWater Project, with a special focus on strengthening university-industry partnerships and the creation of a master's Program in IWRM at Ain Shams University and Mansoura University.

The session will feature keynote speeches from renowned experts in the field, followed by panel discussions that highlight the vital roles of industry, NGOs, regional organizations, and academia in fostering collaborative solutions to Egypt's water challenges.

Water Harvesting Policy Dialogue

Convener: INWRDAM

This dialogue will bring together key stakeholders. With a focus on the 3Rs water harvesting Approach—Retention, Recharge and Reuse—the dialogue will explore innovative pathways to promote water harvesting as a critical tool for water security, food security, disaster risk reduction, carbon trade, afforestation, and community resilience. The agenda will focus on fostering partnerships among stakeholder and drive actionable outcomes. The session will feature remarks from the Ministry of Water and Irrigation, the Embassy of the Netherlands, and INWRDAM, setting the stage for stakeholder-led roundtable interventions. These discussions will address watershed management, WEFE Nexus integration, and technical empowerment for youth and women.

Scaling Up the WEFE Nexus: Regional Dialogue and Institutional Pathways

Convener: INWRDAM

This session aims to promote the integration of the WEFE Nexus approach into national strategies, particularly

in Jordan and Egypt, and foster broader regional cooperation. Key highlights include presentations on Jordan's successful institutionalization of the Nexus and a proposal for establishing a similar unit in Egypt. The session will also feature a panel discussion bringing together policymakers, experts, and regional stakeholders to exchange best practices and explore collaborative opportunities. Attendees will gain insights into the development of the WEFE Nexus Hub, tools for sustainable resource management, and how to join the growing WEFE Community across the region.

Salinity Management in Action: Nature-Based and Technological Approaches

Convener: Nile Delta Water Management Programme (NDWM), GIZ Egypt

Co-convener: Planning Sector, the Egyptian Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation

Salinity poses a growing threat to water resources, agricultural productivity, and livelihoods—especially in arid and semi-arid regions like Egypt and the broader MENA region. This session, convened by GIZ Egypt, brings together experts, policymakers, and practitioners to explore innovative approaches to salinity management that integrate both nature-based solutions and technological innovations.

Through a dynamic mix of presentations and panel discussions, the session will:

- Highlight practical examples from Egypt and other regions,
- Showcase scalable technologies and local success stories,
- Examine policy frameworks that support effective salinity mitigation,
- Facilitate dialogue between stakeholders from agriculture, water management, and environmental sectors.

The session aims to inspire action, foster partnerships, and advance integrated solutions that enhance water and soil resilience in the face of increasing salinity challenges—particularly in light of climate change and population pressures.

Plenary Session on the 50th UNESCO IHP Anniversary Celebration

Convener: UNESCO Regional Office in Cairo

Co-convener: NWRC, The Egyptian Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation

The year 2025 marks the 50th anniversary of UNESCO's Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme (IHP), the only intergovernmental initiative of the UN system devoted to water research, management, and education. This special plenary session will celebrate five decades of global cooperation in advancing hydrological sciences and promoting sustainable water governance. It will reflect on IHP's legacy in shaping water policies, building scientific capacity, and fostering innovation across diverse regions and disciplines. The session will feature high-level interventions, testimonials, and a retrospective on IHP's milestones, achievements, and transformative impact on global

water agendas.

Looking ahead, the session will also serve as a platform to launch the vision for IHP's future in a rapidly changing world. Discussions will focus on emerging water challenges, the role of science diplomacy, and the importance of inclusive, interdisciplinary approaches to water security. The event will highlight the continued relevance of IHP in supporting the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 6, and in strengthening resilience to climate change and water-related disasters. This celebration is not only a tribute to the past but a call to action for the next generation of water leaders, scientists, and policymakers.

Advancement of Water Sciences at Global Level

Convener: UNESCO Regional Office in Cairo

Co-convener: NWRC

The advancement of water sciences at the global level has become increasingly critical in the face of escalating climate variability, population growth, and water-related challenges. UNESCO's Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme (IHP) continues to play a pivotal role in fostering international scientific cooperation, capacity building, and policy-relevant research. This session will highlight recent breakthroughs in hydrological modeling, data-driven water management, and the integration of indigenous knowledge systems with cutting-edge technologies. Emphasis will be placed on the role of open science, transboundary water governance, and the application of artificial intelligence and remote sensing in enhancing water security and resilience.

The session will also showcase collaborative initiatives that bridge science and policy, particularly in water-scarce and climate-vulnerable regions. By bringing together global experts, researchers, and policymakers, the session aims to catalyze dialogue on scaling up innovations, strengthening water education, and promoting inclusive, science-based decision-making. The outcomes will contribute to the global water agenda and support the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 6 on clean water and sanitation. Through this platform, UNESCO Cairo and IHP reaffirm their commitment to advancing water sciences as a cornerstone for sustainable development and peace.

Gender Mainstreaming in Water Management and Launching of the Arabic Version of the Guidelines for Sex Disaggregated Data Collection and Analysis in Water Management

Convener: UNESCO Regional Office in Cairo

Co-convener: World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP), NWRC

Gender mainstreaming in water management is essential for achieving equitable, inclusive, and sustainable water governance. This session, organized by UNESCO Cairo and the Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme (IHP), will explore the critical role of gender-responsive approaches in water policy, planning, and implementation. It will highlight global

and regional efforts to integrate gender perspectives into water-related decision-making, with a focus on empowering women as key stakeholders in water security. The session will also examine the barriers to gender equality in the water sector and present strategies for institutional transformation and capacity development.

A key highlight of the session will be the official launch of the Arabic version of the "Guidelines for the Collection and Analysis of Sex-Disaggregated Water Data", a vital tool for enhancing gender-sensitive water management in Arabic-speaking countries. These guidelines aim to support practitioners, researchers, and policymakers in generating and utilizing data that reflect the different needs, roles, and impacts of water on women and men. By promoting evidence-based gender mainstreaming, the session seeks to strengthen inclusive water governance and contribute to the achievement of SDG 6 and SDG 5 on gender equality.

Addressing Groundwater Challenges in the Arab Strategy for Water Security

Convener: UNESCO Regional Office in Cairo

Co-convener: NWRC

This session will focus on the strategic importance of groundwater in achieving water security and resilience in the Arab world. It will explore the key challenges facing groundwater management, including over-extraction, pollution, data scarcity, and the impacts of climate change. The session will also highlight the role of regional cooperation, scientific research, and policy innovation in addressing these challenges within the framework of the Arab Strategy for Water Security.

A central theme of the session will be the integration of groundwater governance into national and regional water strategies, with a focus on sustainable aquifer management, transboundary groundwater cooperation, and the use of advanced monitoring and modeling tools. Case studies from across the region will illustrate successful approaches and lessons learned. The session aims to foster dialogue among policymakers, scientists, and stakeholders to strengthen institutional capacities and promote evidence-based decision-making. By aligning with the Arab Strategy and the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 6.5 on integrated water resources management, this session will contribute to a more secure and sustainable groundwater future for the Arab region.

Bilateral Partnerships for Regional Resilience: Strengthening Transboundary Cooperation in the Nile Basin

Convener: Nile Water Sector

Technical session on presenting the achievements of bilateral cooperation with Nile Basin countries as a good practice for cooperation and collaboration for sustainable development and water management.

National Drainage Programme Phase III (NDP III)

Convener: *Joint Integrated Sector Approach (JISA)*

Co-convener: *NDP3 component*

The National Drainage Programme (phase 3) in the framework of the Joint Integrated Sector Approach for investment planning in the water sector (NDP3/JISA) is to support socio-economic development in Egypt by generating and strengthening sustainable economic activity and, therefore, contributing to the improvement of the country's food security measures.

Giveaways for the project will raise awareness and help improve project visibility between internal and external stakeholders.

The project has been implemented by the Egyptian Public Authority for Drainage Projects, affiliated with the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, for over seven years (2020-2026) and is funded by the Egyptian government, the German Development bank (KfW), and the European Union

Rebuilding Resilience: Mobilizing Water Investments for Palestine's Future

Convener: *Palestina Water Authority*

Co-convener: *UNECIF*

This session will address the urgent need for strategic investment and regional cooperation to respond to the deepening crisis. Drawing parallels to historic reconstruction efforts like the Marshall Plan, speakers will explore the concept of a Palestinian Recovery Program designed to restore water infrastructure, empower local resilience, and promote human dignity. Anchored in three strategic tracks—humanitarian aid and institutional reform, recovery programming for Gaza, and emerging investment modalities tailored to Palestine's complex realities—this session will foster a more inclusive and adaptive environment for contributions. By encouraging diverse donor engagement and innovative financial instruments, these approaches aim to unlock new partnerships and accelerate implementation of critical water recovery initiatives.

Empowering the Next Generation: Science-Based Collaboration and Capacity Building in the Nile Basin

Convener: *TH Köln, University of Applied Sciences*

Transboundary river basins face growing challenges in coordinating and managing shared water resources, which are crucial for regional stability and development. Overcoming these challenges requires not only science-based cooperation, but also a strong investment in education, capacity building, and the meaningful inclusion of young professionals from riparian countries. Empowering emerging experts is key to fostering a new generation of leaders who can develop innovative, long-term solutions.

This session will bring together distinguished experts from the educational field across the Nile riparian countries for a panel discussion to explore the critical

role of science in shaping natural resources, resilience, and cooperation across the Nile Basin, with a special emphasis on education and empowering young researchers as key drivers of future collaboration.

Water-Soil Salinity: Scaling Multi-dimensional Solutions

Convener: *IWMI*

Co-convener: *Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)*

Farmers in Egypt have been witnessing an increase in irrigation water and soil salinity over the years, particularly in the Nile Delta and Fayoum regions. Building on a 2024 CGIAR study on Maintaining Productivity of Salt-Affected Agricultural Areas, this session focuses on actionable and contextualized salinity mitigation solutions/innovation. It aims to discuss the opportunities and bottlenecks to the uptake of salinity mitigation innovations, the regulatory and institutional framework and market systems governing them.

Scaling Irrigation Gains From Farm to Basin and Planning Needs Under Climate Change

Convener: *IWMI*

Co-convener: *International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID)*

Scaling irrigation gains from farm to basin and planning needs under climate change

Scaling Water Accounting Innovation in Egypt

Convener: *IWMI*

Co-convener: *the Egyptian Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation*

Egypt has been experiencing a growing gap between water supply and demand, which sheds light on the urgent need for water planning and allocation that is efficient, economically viable, and socially just and equitable. In response, the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI) has established a water accounting unit at the national level to provide spatially detailed information on water availability, use, and productivity. The CGIAR's Science programs on Policy Innovations and Scaling for Impact has joined forces to support operationalizing Water Accounting Plus (WA+) in the country. The session will discuss technical aspects of WA+, deriving insights from IWMI's innovations from different regions. It also provides an empirical analysis on the institutionalization, value chain and workflow of WA+ across scale, sectors, contexts, and users, as well as the policy drivers and bottlenecks for enabling, uptaking, and sustaining WA+ at scale.

Co-Shaping Transformative Water Capacity Program for a Resilient MENA Future

Convener: *IWMI*

Co-convener: *RCTWS*

The Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region is facing intensifying water challenges driven by climate change, population pressures, resource degradation, and socio-political fragility. Addressing these challenges requires more than technical know-how—it calls for a transformative approach to capacity development that empowers individuals, strengthens institutions, and fosters systems capable of responding, adapting, and innovating. Capacity building in this context must go beyond traditional training courses programming. It must support knowledge co-production, peer learning, institutional reform, digital innovation, and inclusive engagement of youth, women, and local actors to create resilient water systems and societies. This session aims at identifying entry points to co-develop a shared vision and regional program for transformative water capacity development in MNEA.

Advancing Water-Wise Agriculture: The IHE Delft-NWRC Partnership and Regional Collaborations in Africa and the Arab World

Convener: *IHE Delft Institute for Water Education*

Co-convener: *NWRC*

Water and Agriculture across Africa and Arab World regions face mounting challenges due to declining freshwater availability. Increasing demand, over-extraction, and poor management practices lead to groundwater depletion, salinization, and widespread contamination. These pressures are particularly acute in the world's driest and most water-stressed region. This session reflects on the long-standing collaboration between the IHE Delft in the Netherlands, and National Water Research Centre (NWRC) in Egypt, which began in the 1990s. Over the decades, this partnership has expanded to include other Arab and African partners in tackling water scarcity and agricultural sustainability. The session will explore the historical context, share experiences from both previous & ongoing projects, and provide space for open discussion on how this collaboration—and similar regional partnerships—can contribute to the future of agriculture and water resilience in these vulnerable regions.

This is a joint session under three key projects: SafeAgroMENA, GWS-SENCE, and WaPOR, all supported by the Water Development and Partnership Program (WDPP) and funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands and Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO).

From Partnership to Progress: Advancing Regional Cooperation for Water Security in Africa and the Arab World

Convener: *IHE Delft Institute for Water Education*

Co-convener: *NWRC*

Agriculture across Africa and the Arab world is facing growing threats due to declining freshwater availability.

Increasing demand, overuse, and ineffective water management are leading to groundwater depletion, salinization, and widespread contamination. These challenges pose serious risks to the future of agriculture, threatening food security, rural livelihoods, and sustainable development in some of the world's most water-stressed regions.

This session looks ahead to the future of cooperation, building on the long-standing partnership between IHE Delft in the Netherlands and the National Water Research Centre (NWRC) in Egypt and other partners in Africa and Arab world.

Focusing on the next steps, the session will envision the new opportunities for collaboration for local and regional levels in Africa and Arab region., and provide a platform for open dialogue on how joint efforts, through research, capacity building, education, and innovation, can strengthen water resilience and localise the knowledge

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Joint Cooperation in Applied Research Programme (JCAR) Day

Convener: *JCAR*

Co-conveners: *Deltares, Wageningen University & Research (WUR), Soil, Water and Environment Research Institute (SWERI), NWRC*

Session 1 Celebration of 50 years collaboration

Session 2 Pillar I: Addressing the research needs of MWRI

Session 3 JCAR II Collaborative session

Water Resilience Tracker (WRT)

Convener: *WRT*

Co-conveners: *Deltares, IMWI, Alliance for Global Water Adaptation (AGWA), ARUP*

International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC)

Convener: *IPDC*

Co-conveners: *Deltares*

Green Transition for Sustainable Agriculture in MENA

Convener: *ICARDA*

Co-conveners: *Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Oregon State University*

The agricultural sector is a large contributor to greenhouse gas emissions with around 34% of global greenhouse gas emissions. Moreover, climate change impacts, biodiversity loss, and the overconsumption of natural resources threaten the sustainability of the agriculture sector and increases its negative environmental impacts. Hence, ICARDS with partners will organize this technical session on green transition in the agriculture sector in dry areas. The session is

to showcase their efforts in minimizing greenhouse gas emissions, reducing water pollution, limiting use of synthetic fertilizers, optimizing water and energy use, and minimizing waste are crucial. ICARDA and partners will present sustainable practices for coupling solar energy with irrigation pumping and desalination, organic farming, and improved land management and crop diversification. This session is to raise the audience, understanding advantages of and bottlenecks facing the scalability of green transition in agriculture in MENA with a focus on enhancing agricultural water productivity, and optimizing the use of resources considering water-energy-food nexus. It is also to introduce ready-adapted irrigation and farming approaches that ICARDA, and partners can offer the global dry areas for maximizing the green energy reliability in the agriculture sector as well as the best practices, success stories, and evidence.

Multi-level governance: Strengthening WASH Systems for Climate Resilience

Convener: VNG International

Climate change increasingly disrupts access to safe water and sanitation — through water scarcity, flooding and pressure on infrastructure. Resilience in the WASH sector depends not only on technical solutions, but on strong governance across all levels: from national policy and regulation to local implementation and community engagement.

This session explores how multi-level water governance can help WASH systems adapt to climate risks. The panel brings together Egyptian stakeholders, including representatives from the Ministry of Local Development, EWRA, the Ministry of Housing (/ HCWW), a representative of the Governorate level to discuss how multi-level governance supports climate adaptation in the WASH sector. The discussion will explore:

- How national policies, regulation, and standards help embed resilience into water and sanitation services;
- The role of local authorities in identifying climate risks, ensuring service continuity, and responding to emergencies;
- The importance of coordination between ministries, regulators, utilities, and governorates.

As part of the discussion, VNG International will share an example from its ongoing work in South Sudan, where local and national actors are working to align WASH service delivery with national reforms.

The panel discussion will conclude with a Q&A session, opening up the discussion to the public.



Shaping the Future of Water Science: **Scientific Conference in Motion**

The Scientific Conference of CWW 2025 is progressing with strong momentum, bringing together researchers, academics, and practitioners to showcase innovative contributions in water management and sustainability. A total of 203 abstracts were received across the five thematic areas of the Week. Following a rigorous review process by the Scientific Committee, 122 abstracts were accepted, and their authors were invited to submit extended abstracts. From this stage, 54 extended abstracts were received and are currently under evaluation. In addition, 22 full research papers have been submitted for detailed review. The final list of accepted extended abstracts, posters, and oral presentations will be announced ahead of the conference.

To further recognize outstanding research, CWW 2025 has partnered with the World Water Policy (WWP) journal, where the top 10 selected papers will be published, ensuring international visibility and academic impact.



Competitions: Advancing Innovative Solutions for a Water-Secure Future

The CWW 2025 competitions aim to empower the next generation of water leaders, students, researchers, and innovators by providing a platform to tackle pressing water challenges with creativity and technical excellence. Participants are invited to present pioneering projects and compelling presentations that go beyond identifying problems, offering actionable, scalable, and forward-looking solutions. Emphasizing originality, practicality, and global relevance, these competitions encourage ideas that contribute to climate resilience and advance sustainable water management worldwide.



Best Graduation Projects Competition (BGP)

Partial Sponsor: IWMI

The submission deadline is 25 August 2025.

Since its launch, the Best Graduation Projects (BGP) Competition has stood as a flagship event of Cairo Water Week, dedicated to fostering innovation and cross-sectoral collaboration among senior undergraduate students. The competition welcomes project submissions that address pressing challenges in the water sector, with a strong focus on practical, creative, and solution-oriented approaches.

Open to all graduating students of the 2025/2024 academic year from both public and private universities, and across a wide range of disciplines, the BGP Competition aims to highlight emerging talent and nurture the next generation of water professionals.



Three Minutes Thesis Competition (3MT)

Partial Sponsor: ICARDA

Launched at the University of Queensland in 2008, the 3MT (Three Minute Thesis) competition challenges graduate students to present the core ideas of their research to a general audience within a three-minute time limit. This year's Cairo Water Week Competitions drew submissions from 52 researchers in Egypt and seven international participants representing England, Italy, Kenya, Morocco, Niger, and Japan. Of these, 18 researchers proceeded to the second stage of the competition.



Young Water Inventors Competition (STEM Schools)

Partial Sponsor: GIZ

Recognizing the vital role of youth in shaping sustainable solutions, this year's competition invited students aged 15 to 19 from STEM schools across multiple governorates to submit their science-based water projects. Both individual and team entries were encouraged, reflecting the spirit of collaboration and innovation. A total of 313 participants registered on the CWW platform, with 181 projects successfully passing the initial screening and now undergoing the first stage of review. The competition stands as a dynamic platform for young innovators to showcase their ideas, contribute fresh perspectives, and actively participate in shaping solutions to pressing water challenges.



«Save Our Water» Campaign Competition

Partial Sponsor: EU

The «Save Our Water» Campaign Competition engages media students from Egyptian universities in creating impactful public awareness campaigns that highlight water conservation and safeguard the rights of future generations. Participants were tasked with developing a comprehensive campaign consisting of a short awareness video and a digital poster, both designed to promote responsible water use and stress the importance of preventing water pollution.

This year, 56 posters and 39 videos were submitted by students representing eight universities. After the evaluation process, 9 posters and 7 videos from five universities advanced to the next stage of the competition.

The 8th National Competition for Outstanding Water-Saving Practices in Agriculture

Sponsors: FAO, EU



The Competition highlights innovative methods that reduce water use and improve efficiency on Egyptian farms. With 433 experiments submitted and the first-stage evaluation underway by the Irrigation Development Sector, the competition recognizes farmers and Water Users Associations whose practices inspire sustainable agriculture. Winners will be honored at CWW 2025, in front of national and international experts.



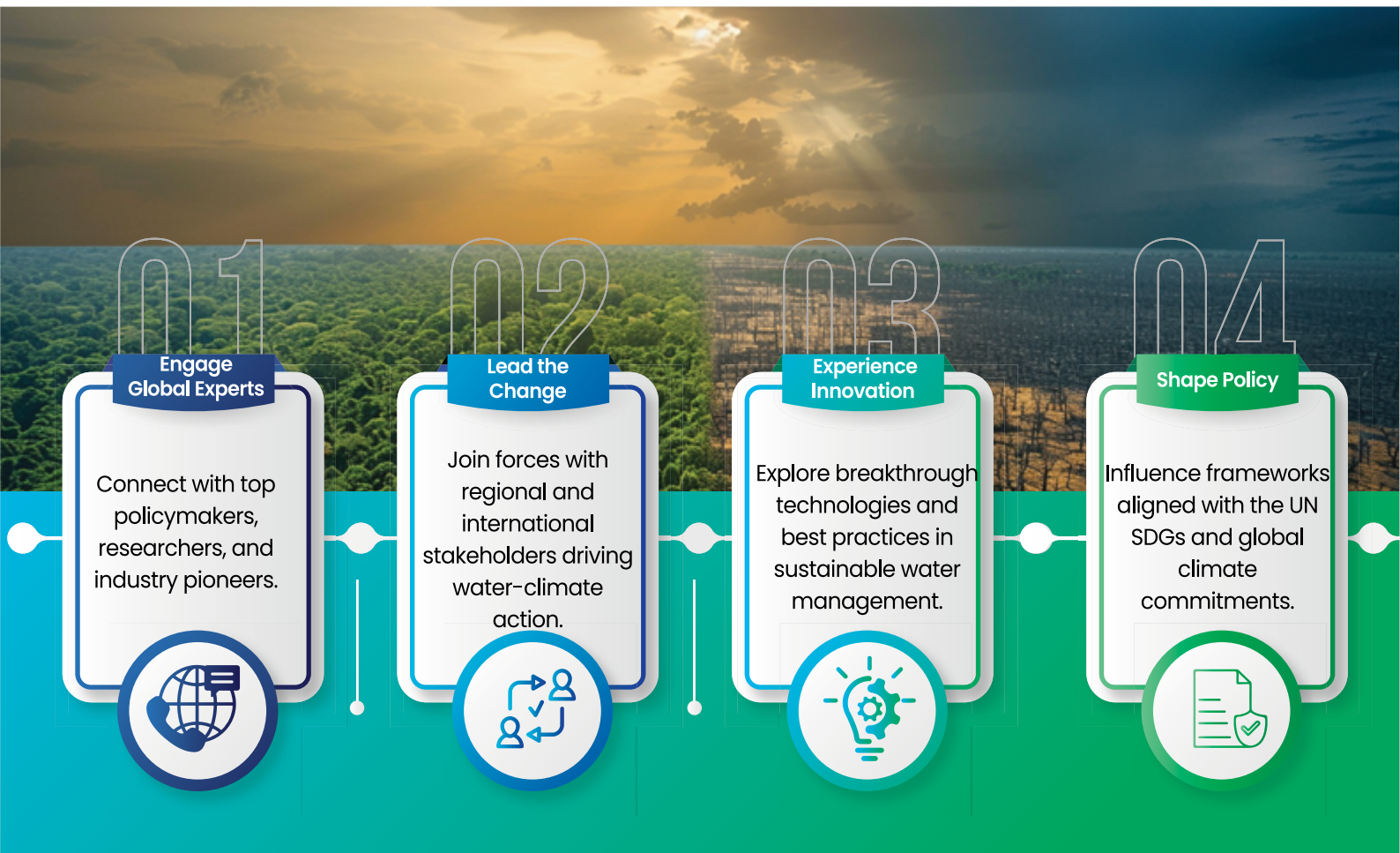
CWW 2025 Exhibition: **Where Water Solutions Meet Opportunity**

The CWW 2025 Exhibition, held in parallel with the conference, is a distinguished platform showcasing the latest advancements in water-related technologies and solutions. It brings together professionals, researchers, industry leaders, and institutions to exchange knowledge, share expertise, and explore innovative approaches to addressing water challenges at the national, regional, and international levels.

The exhibition offers participants a valuable opportunity to present their products, services, and innovations to an engaged professional audience, fostering dialogue, collaboration, and partnership within the water sector.

All stakeholders are warmly invited to join the exhibition, connect with peers, and contribute to shaping the future of sustainable water management.

For registration details and further information, please contact: a.abdelrahman@mwri.gov.eg



Exhibition Levels and Benefits

Description	Premium 1 1 Booth	Premium 2 6 Booths	Premium 3 4 Booths	Daimond 6 Booths	Gold 3 Booths	silver 5 Booths
Booth Type	Wooden	Wooden	Wooden	Shell Scheme	Shell Scheme	Shell Scheme
Booth Space	5M*2.5M	4M*2.5M	2.5M*2.5M	3M*5M	3M*4M	3M*3M
Plastic roller paint finish	✓	✓	✓			
Laminate finish and with maximum height of 2.5 m	✓	✓	✓			
LCD screen	55 inch	55 inch	43 inch			
3D Logo Acrylic	✓	✓	✓			
Booth floor HDF	✓	✓	✓			
Plants	✓	✓	✓			
Lockable branded Counter& printed Company logo	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brochure stand	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Garbage basket	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Power supply	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Table	2	2	1	1	1	1
Comfy Chairs	6	6	3	3	4	2
High Chair	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Lights	✓	✓	✓	6	4	3
Sign branding				✓	✓	✓
Sides banners				1 banner (5*2.5) & 2 banner (2.5*3)	1 banner (2.5*3) & 1 banner (4*2.5)	1 banner (3*2.5)
Upper banner				(1*5m)	(1*4m)	(1*3m)
Cost (EGP) For Egyptian companies	170000 EGP	160000 EGP	130000 EGP	120000 EGP	95000 EGP	75000 EGP
Cost (US Dollar)	6700 USD	6500 USD	6000 USD	5500 USD	4500 USD	3500 USD

Be Part of CWW 2025 & **Help Transform Innovation into Real Solutions for Water Sustainability and Climate Resilience**

Be part of CWW 2025, where sponsorship reflects a strong commitment to advancing sustainable water management and positions your organization at the center of the global dialogue on water and climate. As a sponsor, you will play a vital role in driving innovation, supporting the exchange of pioneering ideas, and fostering partnerships that deliver lasting impact across the sector.

Sponsorship offers a unique opportunity to align with leading institutions and decision-makers, gain recognition as a catalyst for progress, and contribute to shaping solutions that safeguard our shared future.

We warmly invite partners from all sectors to join us in making CWW 2025 a platform of inspiration, collaboration, and action. Together, we can power the water solutions of tomorrow.

For more details, please visit: www.cairowaterweek.eg/partnership



Your Session, Your Impact on Water and Climate Solutions

We warmly invite water and climate organizations, institutions, and all those engaged in water and climate issues to host a session or activity at CWW 2025. This premier gathering offers a distinguished platform to connect with a global network of experts and stakeholders, fostering meaningful dialogue, impactful presentations, and the exchange of innovative solutions.

Convener registration opened on 8 July 2025, with a variety of halls and meeting rooms available at competitive rates to ensure the success of each event.

For detailed venue information and further guidance, please visit <https://www.cairowaterweek.eg/register-for-convener/> and join us in advancing innovative solutions for climate resilience and water sustainability.

Session Fees:

Capacity/ Session	Fees (USD)
Room 50	2750
room 100	3700
room 200	4700

The mentioned fees are for one session (1.5 hours) which include:

- A computer, a projector, a screen, 2 microphones, and assistance staff
- Logo on Website/ publications
- One coffee break
- Interpretation and Zoom links could be provided with extra fees
- Complementary guest passes as follows:

50 pax: one fee waiver

100 pax: two fee waivers

200 pax: three fee waivers

Cancellation Policy:

It is much appreciated if you upload a copy of the bank transfer within three weeks. Please take note of the following payment and cancellation terms:

- If payment is not received within three weeks, the session(s) will be canceled.
- In case your organization cancels the session(s) from 1st September to 1st of October, %50 of the cancelled session(s) will be reimbursed.
- If the cancellation occurs after 1st October, no reimbursement will be provided.



Reserve Your Private Meeting Space: **Connect and Collaborate**

For focused discussions, side meetings, media briefs, or quick team updates during CWW 2025, the on-site Louvre 8 Meeting Room is now available for reservation. Equipped with seating for up to 10 guests and inclusive of complimentary tea and coffee service, the space offers a comfortable environment conducive to meaningful exchanges—aligned with our theme of Innovative Solutions for Climate Resilience and Water Sustainability. Please note, the room does not include a sound system, screen, or microphones; any additional equipment must be requested and arranged separately. Slots are available in -30 minute intervals at USD 300 per slot, and full payment is required within 14 days of booking confirmation.

To secure your time slot, visit the meeting room booking page (<https://www.cairowaterweek.eg/meeting-room-booking/>) details and procedures are available online. We encourage you to leverage this resource to enhance engagement and foster productive collaboration throughout the week.



Accommodation & Registration

Accommodation

Different options for accommodation preferences in neighboring hotels to the venue of the conference have been announced on our website on the following link:

<https://www.cairowaterweek.eg/conferencevenue/>

Registration

All participants and their accompanying guests are required to complete the registration process. Online registration commenced on July 2025 ,15. Please visit the CWW website to register at www.cairowaterweek.eg.

Full Registration		
Registration Fees Including Coffee Breaks		
	Egyptian	Non-Egyptian
Individual	6000 EGP	300 US\$
Group (not less than 5 person)	4000 EGP per person	220 US\$ per person
Youth (Under 35)	4000 EGP	220 US\$
One Day Registration		
Registration Fees Including Coffee Breaks		
	Egyptian	Non-Egyptian
Individual	2000 EGP	120 US\$
Group (not less than 5 persons)	1500 EGP per person	80 US\$ per person
Youth (Under 35)	1500 EGP	80 US\$

Payment Method

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