



Environment
Water Community



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From the Moderator

Dear members,

Greetings and welcome to the Water Community's 82nd Update!



This year the United Nations General Assembly designated 19 November as the World Toilet Day, urging changes in both behaviour and policy on issues ranging from enhancing water management to ending open-air defecation. This is an international day of action that aims to break the taboo around toilets and draw attention to the global sanitation challenge. Globally, 2.5 billion people continue to lack access to improved sanitation facilities. In India, half the population defecates in the open. Join the Take Poo to the Loo campaign - a digitally led campaign addressing the issue of open defecation. For more details and how to get involved please visit <http://www.poo2loo.com/>. Like the facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/#!/poo2loo>

Thank you for your inputs to the query on Restoration of two North-eastern rivers - River Bharalu (Guwahati) and River Kolong (Nagaon). The Consolidated Reply will be issued soon.

We hope you find this update useful and we welcome contributions from you for the next issue of the Community Update which will be posted in December 2013. We look forward to your continued encouragement and support.

Regards,

Water Community,
United Nations Solution Exchange India,
New Delhi

IMPORTANT

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and contact numbers. Write to se-wes@solutionexchange-un.net.in

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Trainings

International Climate Protection Fellowships Call for applications

For young climate experts from transition and developing countries interested in conducting a project in Germany. Up to 20 fellowships will be granted, funded under the Federal Environment Ministry's International Climate Initiative. The closing date for applications is 15 March 2014. The fellowship will commence on 1 March 2015. For more details click [here](#)

Environmental Law and Policy Master in Laws @Stanford Law School

Stanford Law School's new Environmental Law & Policy LLM (Master of Laws) Programme: This highly specialized one-year programme provides lawyers with a law degree from outside the United States and relevant work experience with the opportunity to study environmental law and policy at Stanford University. For more details click [here](#)

Conferences and Workshops

Call for Communication for the 3rd International Forum on Integrated Water Management

[The third International Forum](#) on Integrated Water Management will be held in Québec City (Canada), May 7-9, 2014 and will address the Issues of transboundary integrated water management in the context of climate change. Deadline for submissions is Dec. 6, 2013. Registration fee will be waived for speakers on the day of their presentations. For more details please visit http://www.water-energy-food.org/en/calendar/view_1290/international-forum-on-integrated-water-management-tools-for-action!-quebec-city_canada.html

2014 UN-Water Annual International Zaragoza Conference - Preparing for World Water Day 2014: Water and Energy

The UN-Water Annual Zaragoza Conferences serve UN-Water to prepare for World Water Day. This conference is part of the road map for World Water Day 2014 focused on the nexus of water and energy. The conference will analyze the commonalities and differences on the water and energy sectors and the advantages and disadvantages of partnerships. The Conference aims to draw lessons on what are the factors that make successful partnerships in water and energy, the role of different actors and how to scale up partnerships. For more details please visit http://www.un.org/waterforlifedecade/water_and_energy_2014/index.shtml

Call for papers for the 5th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE)-Deadline: 1st December 2013

The 5th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE) will take place in Istanbul, Turkey, from June 28 to July 2, 2014. After Venice (1998), Monterey (2002), Kyoto (2006), and Montréal (2010), the profession will convene in this unique World Heritage city that straddles Europe and Asia. Hosted by Istanbul Technical University ([ITU](#)), WCERE 2014 is jointly organized by the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists ([AERE](#)) and the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists ([EAERE](#)), in cooperation with the East Asian Association of Environmental and Resource Economists ([EAAERE](#)). Further information is available at the conference website www.wcere2014.org or by writing to scientific@wcere2014.org.

Call for papers for the IWA Water, Energy and Climate Conference 2014 – Solutions for Future Water Security

Solving the interlinked challenges of urban water, energy and climate is critical for cities of the future

to prosper. The IWA Water, Energy and Climate Conference 2014: Solutions for Future Water Security (IWA WEC) in Mexico City, Mexico from May 21-23, 2014 is an opportunity to bring together knowledge from across the globe to share experiences and information, enable collaboration and build new partnerships. You are invited to [submit your abstract](#) to identify, showcase and debate your practical experiences and examples of how cities, industries and farmers can achieve Water – Energy neutrality, reduce their water related carbon footprint and improve their water security. For information please visit www.wecmexico2014.org. The deadline for abstract submission is November 30th, 2013.

Call for Contributions for the International Symposium on Innovative Means to Protect Water Resources (SWIM- IMPROWARE)

The IMPROWARE International Symposium on Innovative Means to Protect Water Resources entitled “The challenge of reclaimed wastewater reuse for aquifer recharge in the Mediterranean area” will take place in Tunis, from July 28 to August 3, 2014. Deadline for submission is January 30, 2014. For more details click [here](#)

Vacancies

India

Programme Officer – Watershed

ITC Limited

Location: Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh

Apply by: 29 Nov 2013

For more click [here](#)

Water Specialist

Solidaridad

Location: Delhi

Apply by: 30 Nov 2013

For more click [here](#)

Roadmap for Sanitation Marketing

GOAL

Location: West Bengal

Apply by: 30 Nov 2013

For more click [here](#)

RFP: Hiring of Agencies/Organizations for Survey of Global Sanitation Fund...

NR Management Consultants India Pvt Ltd-Executing Agency to Global Sanitation Fund In India

Location: India

Apply by: 06 Dec 2013

For more click [here](#)

State Manager

NR Management Consultants India Private Limited-Executing Agency to Global Sanitation Fund in India

Location: Ranchi, Jharkhand

Apply by: 02 Dec 2013

For more click [here](#)

Publications and Resources

Post 2015 Water Thematic Consultation Report

Responding to a growing desire for active participation in shaping the future development agenda, the World We Want 2015 thematic and national consultations facilitated a global conversation seeking views and opinions from people worldwide. As part of this larger effort, "The Post 2015 Water Thematic Consultation Report" synthesises the active thematic consultation on defining the role of water in the post 2015 development agenda. Summarising the sub-consultations on water, sanitation and hygiene, water resources management and wastewater management and water quality, the report also reveals a growing desire for a development framework that will reduce inequalities around water through rights-based approaches to service provision and governance. The World We Want Thematic Consultation on Water was facilitated under the umbrella of UN-Water, co-lead by UNICEF and UN-DESA. Please download the report at the following link: <http://www.worldwewant2015.org/node/366798>

Water Resources:An Integrated Approach

This book provides a novel interdisciplinary approach to water in a changing world, from an environmental change perspective and inter-related social, political and economic dimensions. It includes global examples from both the developing and developed world. Each chapter is supplemented with boxed case studies, end of chapter questions, and further reading, as well as a glossary of terms. The text is richly illustrated throughout with over 150 full colour diagrams and photos. For more details visit [here](#)

WHO report on scaling-up household water treatment with communicable disease efforts

The report summarizes the outcomes from a group of WHO experts from HIV, child and maternal health, malaria and dengue which met to discuss HWTS scaling-up and provide recommendations on needed action to leverage HWTS benefits with other health efforts. Specific recommendations include: select options that meet WHO performance recommendations and consider key contextual/behavioural factors, implement HWTS within existing health and community channels, invest in operational research, strengthen safe storage and links with dengue, and set ambitious targets. The annex includes a background paper by Dr Thomas Clasen on the health impact of household water treatment and safe storage among target populations. For more details click [here](#)

Thinking About Water Differently: Managing the Water-Food-Energy Nexus

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has released a report, titled 'Thinking About Water Differently: Managing the Water-Food-Energy Nexus,' which argues for recognition of water as an economic and social good and the urgent assurance of regional water security to eliminate risk to food and energy security in Asia and the Pacific. For more details click [here](#)

New hydrological PhD theses

New hydrological PhD theses online at www.hydrology.nl, including a few classics: Linkages between streamflow, climate and catchment characteristics: a global analysis; Groundwater salinization processes in the coastal area of the Netherlands due to transgressions during the Holocene; satellite passive microwave surface moisture monitoring; Groundwater flow in layered aquifers & Periodic flow of groundwater.

Many thanks to all who contributed to this issue!

If you have items to feature in this News Update, please send it to Solution Exchange for the Water Community in India at se-wes@solutionexchange-un.net.in

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