

AUGUST 24

10:00 - 11:30

**Water Resource Management for WASH: strengthening communities for climate resilience**

Hosted by Arjen Naafs, IRC The Netherlands

Climate vulnerability and resilience (CVR) is a cross-cutting theme within the Netherlands WASH SDG programme. This session provides interactive, virtual field visits to successful IWRM interventions where participants are invited to interact with community members and programme staff. In Ethiopia we will showcase catchment restoration and in Uganda, constructed wetlands.

Programme: WASH SDG

Conveners: WASH SDG Consortium, WASH Alliance International, Wetlands International, RAIN, Amref Health Africa Ethiopia, Simavi, Government of the Netherlands.

10:30 - 11:55

**Adaptive WASH planning to confront uncertainties during emergencies and beyond**

Hosted by Sara Ahrari, Simavi

In this super interactive session we investigate how and why the WASH sector should move beyond using Theory of Change and apply adaptive planning practices to identify and prioritise critical assumptions and uncertainties, develop associated adaptation actions and monitor triggering indicators.

Programme: WASH First

Conveners: Simavi, Deltares, IHE Delft Institute for Water Education, WASH Alliance Kenya (WAK); Water and Sanitation Entrepreneurs Association

13:00 - 14:00

**Inequalities in resilience: experiences from Bangladesh, Nepal and Uganda**

Research presentation by Agnes Neray

Globally, we need to develop impact and cost benefit investment pathways for the most vulnerable to mitigate and manage the impacts of the climate and health crises. This interactive grounding session will host a panel focused on how different sectors will be affected and includes examples of good practice which demonstrate the rationale and materiality for urgent interventions.

Programme: WASH SDG

15:30 - 15:55

**Making first line of defence accessible for the furthest behind**

Hosted by Sara Ahrari, Simavi

Most countries have taken measures, such as lockdowns, social distancing and campaigns to prevent further spread of COVID-19. Those in vulnerable situations, however, either were not informed about these measures or lack the necessary means to follow them. This session illustrates how WASH First programme changed this narrative.

Programme: WASH First

Conveners: Simavi, Amref, Plan International Nederland, SNV

# WASH SDG sessions in Stockholm

## World Water Week 2021



AUGUST 25

08:00 - 09:00

**Shift the balance: WASH COVID-19 responses that enhance (gender) equality**

Hosted by Tracey Keatman, WASH SDG programme

Crises like COVID-19 and climate change disproportionately affect those with little or no access to quality WASH services and information. However, they can also catalyse behaviour change and, with dedicated efforts, contribute to a shift towards greater equality. Learn from those most impacted how this can be done.

Programme: WASH SDG

WASH SDG Consortium, WASH Alliance International (WAI), Plan International Netherlands, SNV, Simavi.

18:00 - 19:30

**How sustainability compacts contribute to institutional sustainability**

Hosted by Esther de Vreede, Simavi

Effective monitoring, asset management and planning are key to generate sustainable WASH service delivery systems that leave no-one behind. Join us in this super-interactive session to explore how and to what extent formal agreements such as sustainability compacts with local/national WASH authorities can strengthen institutional sustainability and build resilience for WASH.

Programme: WASH SDG

Conveners: WASH SDG Consortium, WASH Alliance International (WAI), Plan International Netherlands, SNV, Simavi, IRC, DGIS

AUGUST 27

11:00 - 12:00

**Why collaboration matters: lessons from partnerships for WASH and IWRM**

Hosted by Pim van der Male, Government of the Netherlands

Hot of the press! Key lessons learned from three mid/end-term reviews of long-term WASH/IWRM partnerships will be shared in this dynamic session. Strong partnerships and inter-organizational collaboration are considered an important accelerator to improve governance, and build resilient and adaptive societies with sustainable water and sanitation, leaving no-one behind.

Programme: WASH SDG

Conveners: Blue Deal, Government of the Netherlands, WASH SDG Consortium (WASH Alliance International, SNV, Plan International Netherlands, Simavi), WaterWorX