



# Wetskills-The Netherlands 2017

## Announcement for participants

### *Join the fourth homecoming edition of Wetskills Water Challenge across the Dutch delta!*

The Wetskills organization invites Bachelor, Master, PhD students and recent graduates to apply for the Wetskills Water Challenge programme in The Netherlands. This fourth homecoming edition of Wetskills will take the participants all across the Dutch delta in two weeks, visiting interesting and relevant water-related locations in The Netherlands. *Apply for this unique opportunity to participate in Wetskills Water Challenge!*

#### Wetskills The Netherlands event across the Dutch delta: 19 October - 2 November 2017

During the two week programme, participants will work in mixed and multidisciplinary team of about five students to develop innovative, 'out of the box' solutions for case studies brought in by organisations and companies from the Dutch water sector. After arrival and some teambuilding activities, the programme starts with several field trips across the country visiting case study sites and other water-related and cultural locations. In between participants can already start discussing

Since 2010, more than 400 students and young water professionals from about 100 international universities and organizations have participated in one of the more than twenty Wetskills Water Challenges organized in Asia (China, Taiwan, Indonesia and India), North Africa & Middle East (Iran, Oman, Morocco, Israel and Egypt), Sub-Saharan Africa (South Africa & Mozambique), Europe (Romania, United Kingdom & the Netherlands) and North America (United States & Canada).

their case with their group, the case owners and multiple experts. After the tour across the delta, the programme will continue in Rotterdam where the groups get to work on their cases for several days. The supervisors will guide you during the two week program and facilitate your team to find your own innovative concept. Like in 2011, 2013 and 2015 Wetskills is part of the **4th Amsterdam International Water Week (AIWW)**, during which the final presentations and awarding will be organized.

**First deadline for application and selection: 1 June 2017.**

**Afterwards every two weeks a selection of the new applications till the programme is full. (First Come, First Served)**

#### Who can apply?

Any Young Water Professionals (up to 5 years of working experience) and final year Bachelor, Master or PhD student and recent graduates from European universities or organisations with passion for water and intercultural teamwork.

#### How can I apply?

Prepare a motivation letter and resume, go to [www.wetskills.com](http://www.wetskills.com), fill in the online application form on the website and submit it.

#### Selection criteria

The Wetskills organization will make the selection among applications received. The selection is based on quality of motivation letter and resume.



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### What are the costs?

Participation costs are 425 euros. If you apply before the 15th of May 2017 you get an early bird discount of 25 euros.

The fee includes accommodation, programme costs, supervision, some meals, social activities, field trips, working locations, the final presentations and the awarding event during the Amsterdam International Water Week. It does not include transport, some meals, daily costs and participants are responsible for their own travel expenses (like plane tickets and some local travel), meals during working days and other personal costs.

*Note: Fee for attending other workshops of the AIWW Conference are optional and needs to be paid separately to the AIWW organisation.*

*During past editions participants often successfully arranged financial compensation for their Wetskills participation from their university or employer. We therefore strongly encourage applicants to inquire about funding opportunities to compensate the costs (university mobility funds, travel allowance etc.).*

### What do I get?

A unique learning experience where you will tackle real-world water challenges! You will increase your skills in international cooperation, problem solving, cross-cultural and interdisciplinary teamwork, networking and presenting (pitch & poster). The program provides a fantastic opportunity to connect with other international water students from various universities. You will visit many cities, areas, water-related sites and meet water professionals in the Netherlands. You will learn and experience more about the Dutch water sector, the main stakeholders and organizations, contemporary issues and current business opportunities. After completion of the program you will get a certificate of participation.



### More information

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