



Wetskills South Korea 2018

Announcement for participants

Join the first edition of Wetskills Water Challenge in South Korea, during the Olympic Winter Games!

The Wetskills organization invites Bachelor, Master, PhD students and recent graduates to apply for the Wetskills Water Challenge programme in South Korea. With its finals at the Holland Heineken House during the Olympic Winter Games 2018, this edition of Wetskills will definitely be a memorable experience. *Apply for this unique opportunity!*



Wetskills Water Challenge South Korea: 27 January – 13 February 2018 (Seoul & Gangneung)

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 water sector. After arrival in Seoul and having done some teambuilding activities, the programme starts with several field trips visiting case study sites and other water-related and cultural locations around the city. As the official start of the challenge

Since 2010, more than 500 students and young water professionals from about 120 international universities and organizations have participated in one of the 27 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).

(called BrainHurricane), the cases will be briefly introduced by the case owners at the **Hongik University**; the host of this Wetskills event. In a speed date session with experts the teams get information regarding their case. After this BrainHurricane the teams get to work on their cases for several days at the university. The supervisors will guide you during the two-week program and facilitate your team to find your own innovative concept. As mentioned, this edition of Wetskills will be partly

held during the **Olympic Winter Games 2018**. Just before the start of the Olympic Winter Games of Pyeongchang, the Wetskills participants will go to the City of Gangneung (and will stay in Donghae, one hour drive), where the Holland Heineken House and the speed skating are is located. The final presentations and awarding ceremony will be organized at the **Holland Heineken House in Gangneung!**

First deadline for application and selection: 25 October 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 with passion for water and intercultural teamwork. This edition of Wetskills focus on participants from The Netherlands and South Korea.

How can I apply?

Prepare a motivation letter & resume, go to www.wetskills.com, fill-in and submit the online application form on the website.

Selection criteria

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



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What are the costs?

For Dutch participants the costs are 525 euros, which includes accommodation in Seoul and Gangneung. The fee for South Korean participants, excluding accommodation in Seoul, but including accommodation in Gangneung (3 nights) is 200,000 Won. The fee also includes: programme costs, supervision, some meals, social activities, field trips, working locations, the final presentations and the awarding event in the Holland Heineken House. 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: 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);
- You will get the opportunity to connect with other international water students/young professionals;
- You will visit many cities, areas, water-related sites and meet water professionals in South-Korea;
- You will learn and experience more about the South Korean and Dutch water sector, the main stakeholders and organizations, contemporary issues and current business opportunities;
- You will receive a certificate of participation after completion of the program.

More information

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