



Wetskills-South Africa 2018

Call for Cases

BRING IN YOUR WATER CASE

Wetskills Water Challenges

The Wetskills Water Challenge is a two-week event for university level students and young water professionals from around the globe. Participants work in multidisciplinary and intercultural teams to develop out-of-the-box solutions for water challenges posed by Case Owners.

Since 2010, more than 500 students and young professionals from about 120 international universities and organizations have participated in one of the 28 Wetskills Water Challenges organized in Asia (China, Taiwan, South Africa, Indonesia and India), North Africa & Middle East (Israel, Oman, Morocco, Iran and Egypt), Sub-Saharan Africa (South Africa & Mozambique), Europe (United Kingdom, Romania & the Netherlands) and North America (United States & Canada).

Join this fourth Wetskills Water Challenge in South Africa, organized in Cape Town.

In June 2018 a Wetskills Water Challenge will be organized in South Africa for the fourth time. The event is being organized the non-profit Wetskills Foundation (based in The Netherlands) in cooperation with University of Cape Town (Future Water Center) and Department for Water and Sanitation, with support of Water Institute for Southern Africa (WISA), Embassy and Consulate of Kingdom of The Netherlands, Kingfisher programme of Dutch Water Authorities and more partners. We hope you will join us to be part of the Wetskills experience in 2018!

The South African and international partners encourage you to be part of this Wetskills experience in 2018. It is a great opportunity to get out-of-the-box ideas to be discussed on a high platform in the South African water sector. Meanwhile it is important to involve the next generation in the water sector.

Programme

Wetskills will formally start on 16 June 2018 with two days of team building. On 18 June an opening event will take place and

hosted by the University of Cape Town. On this day, called BrainHurricane, case owners present their challenge to the student teams and diverse experts will help the teams.

Over the next 10 days the participants' teams will work on the challenge with periodic guidance of international supervisors, and support from diverse local experts from academia, companies and governmental institutes.

Each team will present its solution at the end of the (two-week) challenge during a special pitch session and poster market as part of a special program at the WISA Conference in Cape Town (24-27 June) Water leaders in business, academia and government will attend parts of this finals and awarding.

We are looking for companies and organizations to bring in their Water Challenges!

Case topics

The case owners, inside or related to the water sector, determine the challenge topic of the study cases of Wetskills. The cases have a relation to the challenges that the Wetskills event's country is facing. Previous edition topics were researched as: reuse of wastewater, water scarcity, stormwater management, dew harvesting, deployable flood defense systems, geothermal and thermal exchange energy systems, coastal master plan development, resiliency, water governance, awareness, etc. See www.wetskills.com for cases of the previous Wetskills events.

Does your company, organization or institute in the water sector have a challenging water case?

Wetskills-South Africa will be an excellent opportunity to showcase your organization's expertise and commitment to innovative solutions in the South African water sector. Are you that innovative company, organization or institute and do you have a challenging water case? Come on board!

Contact Johan Oost at the Wetskills Foundation (johan.oost@wetskills.com).

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WetsNext

The WetsNext programme initiates and stimulates follow-up activities based on the concepts and results of the Wetskills Challenges. The partners of this Wetskills edition strive to follow-up the outcomes with further (feasibility or pilot) studies, done by Young Professionals and students, but intensively guided by case owners, Wetskills alumni, other interested partners. Main aim: to follow-up great ideas, to implement them and to gain impact!

Case Owner Benefits

- Case Owners will receive the results: a poster and a paper (approx. 6 pages) outlining the innovative concept the team came up with for the Case Owner's case study.
- The name and logo of Case Owners will be reported in Wetskills press releases with a broad distribution.
- Promotion through the website and social media for Wetskills, the event partners and other relevant organizations and during other Wetskills Water Challenges.
- The logo of the Case Owners will be displayed on the poster presented at the final presentations.
- Case Owners will get their own international team of enthusiastic students and young professionals.
- Case Owners get the opportunity to grow their business network through participation in the energizing Wetskills event.
- Press releases and tailored appointments for promotion and communication for own use.

Case Owner responsibilities

- Case Owners will provide a study case (the water challenge) for the Wetskills program in South Africa.
- Case Owners will support the team via face-to face or remote meetings (using Skype, and e-mail) during the working days.

- Case Owners and Wetskills jointly will provide an expertise during the programme (also on distance with cell phone, email, Skype).
- Case Owners will donate € 3000 in support of the organization and participants of Wetskills-South Africa 2018.

Wetskills responsibilities

- The Wetskills Foundation will assist in developing a great case study for the participants.
- The Wetskills Foundation will form combined international, multidisciplinary teams of participants and guide them to reach solutions through processes of divergent thinking to solve the Case Owner's challenge.
- The study case and poster of the team (excluding the short memo) will be published on the Wetskills website, www.wetskills.com.*
- The results will be presented during a special session at WISA Conference in Cape Town (24-27 June 2018).
- The winning team will be awarded in these sessions as well.

* If some information is confidential, Wetskills and the concerning team will act accordingly.

Donor benefits

You do not need to be a Case Owner to be part of Wetskills. Wetskills-South Africa 2018 welcomes the participation of businesses, organizations and individuals through donations.

- Donors will receive logo representation.
- Donors will be mentioned in PR & Communication
- Donors will have the opportunity to meet and greet with participants and Owner Organizations.

We would like to tailor your requests as Donor or Case Owner.

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