



Wetskills United Kingdom 2017

Final Announcement for participants

Join the first Wetskills Water Challenge in United Kingdom (Bath)

The Wetskills organization invites Bachelor, Master, PhD students and recent graduates to apply for the Wetskills Water Challenge program to be held in Bath, Somerset, UK. The first Wetskills edition in the United Kingdom will be hosted by the Water Innovation Research Centre of the University of Bath (WIRC@Bath). *Apply for this unique opportunity to participate in Wetskills Water Challenge!*

Extended final deadline for applications:
8 February 2017

Wetskills United Kingdom event in Bath
March/April 2017

The participants will work in mixed and multidisciplinary teams of about four students to develop innovative concepts to the case studies, provided by the water sector during an extensive two-week program in Bath, Somerset, UK: March 30 to April 12.

The program will start with a day of teambuilding activities, in order to meet each other. This includes field trips to water-related and cultural sites in the Bath area. Two intensive working weeks will follow, that will focus on working on the assigned water challenge case study. Dutch and British supervisors will guide you during the two week program and facilitate your team to find your own innovative concept. Finally, each team will present their case study during a large presentation event as part of the **18th UK IWA Young Water Professionals conference in Bath (April 10-12)**. The winning team will be pronounced at this event as well.

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.

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 & the Netherlands and North America (United States & Canada).

How can I apply?

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

Selection criteria

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

What are the costs?

The participation fee for the program for UK, Dutch or other European participants is GBP 440 (early bird registration until the 15th of December, GBP 415.-). This participation fee includes accommodation in Bath, teambuilding weekend activities, some lunches & dinners, field trip, workshop, entrance fees and working locations. Participants are responsible for their own travel expenses (plane tickets, local travel, etcetera), meals during working days and other personal costs. For students with accommodation in Bath, the participation fee is GBP 240,- (early bird fee GBP 215,-) 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 learn more about the Dutch and UK water industry, 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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