



Wetskills-Denmark 2021

Announcement for participants

Wetskills Water Challenge to Copenhagen (Denmark)

Wetskills Foundation and partners invite last year Bachelor, Master, PhD students and graduates to apply for this new Wetskills event in Copenhagen, Denmark. This will be the first event in this water-rich country and the fourteenth one in Europe. *Apply for this great opportunity!*

An ice-breaking event and a concrete way to involve Future Water Leaders in the Water & Sustainability sector while coming-up with out-of-the-box ideas!

Wetskills-Denmark event in Copenhagen, 2-14 May 2021

In this Wetskills-Denmark programme, the participants will work in mixed and multidisciplinary teams of four to five people, to develop innovative concepts to the case studies provided by the water sector during an extensive two-week program. This programme will be organized in Copenhagen, where the participants and supervisors will meet.



The program will start with team building activities for the first two days to allow participants to get to know each other. This includes field trips to water-related and cultural sites in Copenhagen and surroundings. An intensive period will follow that will focus on working on the assigned study case. International Wetskills supervisors will guide the teams during the weeks and facilitate your team to find its own innovative concept. Finally, the teams will pitch their results during a **special hybrid event aligned to the IWA Congress** on 14 May 2020. The winning team will be announced and awarded then as well.

Since 2010, more than 800 students and young water professionals from about 150 international universities and organizations have participated in 44 Wetskills Water Challenges organized in Asia (China, South Korea, Taiwan, The Philippines, Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Bangladesh and India), North Africa & Middle East (Iran, Oman, Morocco, Israel and Egypt), Sub-Saharan Africa (South Africa & Mozambique), Europe (Hungary, Romania, The Netherlands & United Kingdom), North America (Canada, United States & Mexico) and Latin America (Colombia).

This first Wetskills Water Challenge will be the first edition of a series with other Wetskills events in

Denmark, like one will be aligned to Ocean Race stop-over in Aarhus (Spring 2023). Due to Coronavirus, this event will have an online Finals & Awarding event, where the water & sustainability community will be welcome to attend.

Application and selection deadline: 15 February 2021

Afterwards every week a selection of the new applications till the program is full. (First Come, First Served.) 12 participants are already selected for the previous event in October 2020, which was postponed due to coronavirus.

Who can apply?

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

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How can I apply?

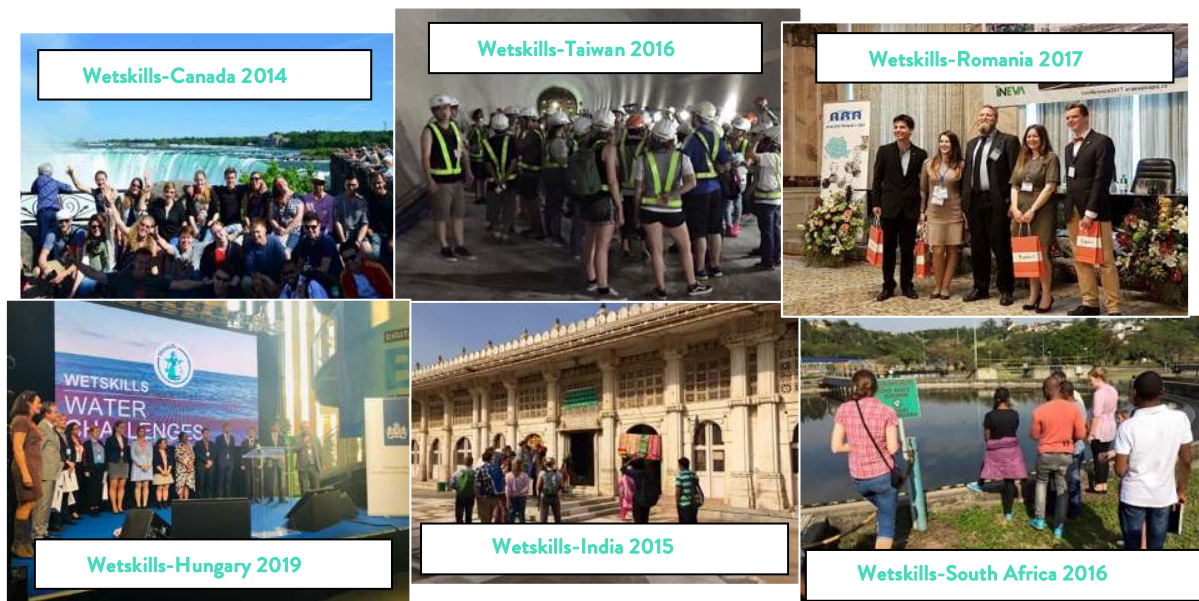
Prepare a motivation letter and resume, go to www.wetskills.com, fill out the online application form and submit it.

Selection criteria

The Wetskills organization will make a final selection among applications received, based on quality of motivation & resume.

What are the costs?

The participation fee for international participants is € 425,- (incl. 21% VAT). This participation fee includes accommodation, teambuilding activities, some lunches & dinners, field trips, workshop, supervision, trainings and working venues. Participants are responsible for their own travel expenses (plane tickets, local travel, etcetera), meals during working days and other personal costs. For local applicants with accommodation in Copenhagen, the participation fee is € 50,- (incl. VAT) for students and € 125,- (incl. VAT) for Young Professionals, who are working. *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.*



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 Copenhagen and surroundings; water-related sites & water professionals;
- You will learn and experience more about the Danish and European water sectors, its main stakeholders and organizations, contemporary issues and current business opportunities;
- You will receive a certificate of participation upon completion of the program.

More information

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