Wetskills-India 2021 (interstate)

Announcement for participants

Corona-Adaptive and hybrid Wetskills Challenge to India

After four Wetskills editions in Gujarat, Delhi and Kerala Wetskills Foundation and partners invite final year Bachelor, Master, PhD students and graduates from universities and organizations in India to apply a new 'Corona-adaptive' and hybrid Wetskills event with a focus on Climate Adaptation. Also, talents from other countries are welcome to join this online programme. This event will be input for the Water Action Track of the online Climate Adaptation Summit. This online summit will be organized by the Global Adaptation Center in The Netherlands on 25 January 2021 with the live and online presence of many Sustainability Leaders all over the world.

Would you like to experience working in teams with members from various parts of India and online support by international peers, coaches and experts? Would you like to meet your Indian peers in Ahmedabad? Do you have a creative mind and capable of designing game changing ideas and alternative strategies? Can you think further than just a first idea and are you passionate about Water in Climate Adaptation discussion? Join Wetskills-India

Wetskills-India 2021 (at home and in Ahmedabad): 2-13 January.

The main theme of this Wetskills Challenge is Climate Adaptation and the role of Water. The formulated cases for the teams will cover Climate Adaptation themes in various parts in India with various stakeholders. The Finals will be organized on the Campus of Centre of Environment Education / Nehru Foundation in Ahmedabad on 13 January 2021. It will be broadcasted with a livestream to welcome audience, experts and involved participants & professionals from outside India. This one-hour livestream will be published and displayed during the Climate Adaptation Summit on 25 January 2021.

Since 2010, more than 850 students and young water professionals co-create 200 for challenges by case owners in 45 Wetskills Challenges organized in 23 different countries: 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 (United Kingdom, Hungary, Romania & the Netherlands North America (Canada, United States & Mexico) and Latin America (Colombia).

Application (online) & first selection deadline: 5 December 2020

Afterwards every week a selection of the new applications till the program is full. (First Come, First Served)

More information: www.wetskills.com

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What is Wetskills?

In the Wetskills 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 edition is a corona-adaptive version where the first week is from home and the second week is organised in Ahmedabad. The program will start with online team building to allow participants and coaches to get to know each other. An intensive period will follow that will focus on working on the assigned study case. International Wetskills and local supervisors, a coach per team and a Pool of Experts will guide you during the weeks and facilitate your team to find its own innovative concept. Finally, the teams will pitch their results during a special Wetskills seminar on the CEE Campus in Ahmedabad with a livestream for the international audience. The winning teams will be announced and awarded as well.

Who can apply?

Any Young Water Professionals (up to 5 years of working experience) and last year Bachelor, Master or PhD student from Indian universities or organizations with passion for Water, Climate Adaptation and intercultural teamwork. Also candidates from other countries are welcome to join this online programme (free of charge).

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 **participants from India is INR 2000**. This participation fee includes accommodation in Ahmedabad. Participants already in Ahmedabad have a **participation fee of INR 1000**. (Note: International participants can join online for free.) The programme includes 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. *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 cooperation in transdisciplinary teams; international coaches and experts; problem solving, cross, working hybrid (both online and live); networking and presenting (pitch & poster);
- You will get the opportunity to connect with other water students/young professionals from various states in India;
- You will visit Ahmedabad; water-related sites & water professionals;
- You will learn and experience more about the Climate Adaptation challenges in India, its main stakeholders and organizations, contemporary issues and current business opportunities;
- You will receive a certificate of participation upon completion of the program.

Project partners

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More information

Interested candidates can send an email to Johan Oost (johan.oost@wetskills.com) or Vipul Patel (Vipul.patel@ceeindia.org) for more information. You can also visit our website and registration.

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