

Wetskills-United Arab Emirates (Dubai) 2022

Announcement for participants

Join the special Wetskills Challenge at World Expo in Dubai

The Wetskills programme started at the World Expo 2010 in Shanghai. So let's go organize a new edition at the World Expo again, this time in Dubai! The Wetskills organization invites Bachelor, Master, PhD students and recent graduates to apply for the Wetskills Water Challenge programme in United Arab Emirates. This first edition of Wetskills in this country, aligned to the World Expo Dubai, will take the participants in two weeks, visiting interesting and relevant water-related locations in Dubai and Abu Dhabi. Apply for this unique opportunity to join the Wetskills Challenge at the World Expo (16 January 2022)!

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During the two-week program, participants will work in mixed and multidisciplinary teams of about four students to develop innovative, 'out of the box' solutions for case studies brought in by organizations and companies from the water sector. Arriving in UAE, the participants will first get to know each other through some teambuilding activities and visit cultural and water-related sites. The challenge will start officially with the BrainHurricane, where the case owners will briefly introduce the cases and external experts will help the teams in a speed date session. After this BrainHurricane the teams get

Since 2010, more than 900 students and young water professionals from about 200 international universities and organizations have participated in one of the 51 Wetskills Water Challenges organized in Asia (China, South Korea, Taiwan, Japan, The Philippines, Kyrgyzstan, Indonesia Bangladesh, and India), North Africa & Middle East (Iran, Oman, Morocco, Israel and Egypt), Sub-Saharan Africa (South Africa & Mozambique), Europe (Romania, Hungary, Denmark, United Kingdom & the Netherlands) and North America (Mexico, United States & Canada) and Latin America (Colombia).

to work on their cases for several days. The supervisors will guide you during the two-week program and facilitate your team to find its own innovative concept.

The Finals (pitches & poster presentation) and the Awarding Ceremony are during a special session on water management at The Netherlands Pavilion of the World Expo Dubai on 16 January 2022. This full-day session will be organized by Wetskills Foundation and the Netherlands Water Partnership. Supported by the Dutch government.

Deadline: 25 November 2021. If you want to join, register online.

Every week a selection of the new applications till the program 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.

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How can I apply?

Prepare a motivation letter & resume, go to www.wetskills.com, fill-in & 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.

What are the costs?

For local applicants with accommodation in UAE, the participation fee is € 75 (VAT free) for students and € 125,- (VAT free) for Young Professionals, who are working. The participation fee for local and international participants, needing accommodation in UAE (Dubai) is € 475 (excl. 21% VAT). Note: VAT is only for participants living in The Netherlands. The programme fee includes: accommodation in UAE during the programme, field trips, social activities, workshops, working locations, supervision, some of the meals and the Finals and Awarding ceremony. The fee also includes access to the World Expo terrain in Dubai. Participants are responsible for their own travel expenses (like plane tickets and some local travel), meals during working days and other personal costs, which are excluded the participation fee. Note: The Wetskills organisation is striving to find possibilities to keep the costs to the participants at a minimum. During past editions participants often successfully arranged financial compensation for their Wetskills participation from their university or employer.



What do I get?

A unique learning experience where you will tackle real-world water challenges!

- You will increase your skills in: problem solving of real-life cases, cross-cultural & interdisciplinary teamwork, networking and presenting;
- You will become part of World Expo and visit several water-related sites in UAE;
- You will get the opportunity to connect with other international water students/young professionals;
- You will learn and experience more about the international water sector; the 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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