

IWRA's XVII World Water Congress



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**Foundations for Global Water Security and Resilience:
Knowledge, Technology and Policy**

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Why Attend the XVII World Water Congress?



- IWRA's World Water Congress is the largest congress of its type - **bringing together international water researchers and policy practitioners**. It has taken place once every three years since 1973.
- It is the best international event to **share your latest work**, and to better understand the latest developments in water resource management from other parts of the world.
- It offers a unique **networking opportunity** for scientists to inform policy development, and for policy practitioners to steer upcoming research.

- The theme of **water security and resilience is a critical issue** for researchers and practitioners everywhere, as we face increasing uncertainty due to climate change, population growth and urbanisation.
- It is also an occasion for national and international institutions to **present through special sessions their latest projects, calling for feedback and collaboration** in this work.
- The **first World Water Congress to be held in East Asia**; find out more about Korea's world leading water industry



International Water Resources Association

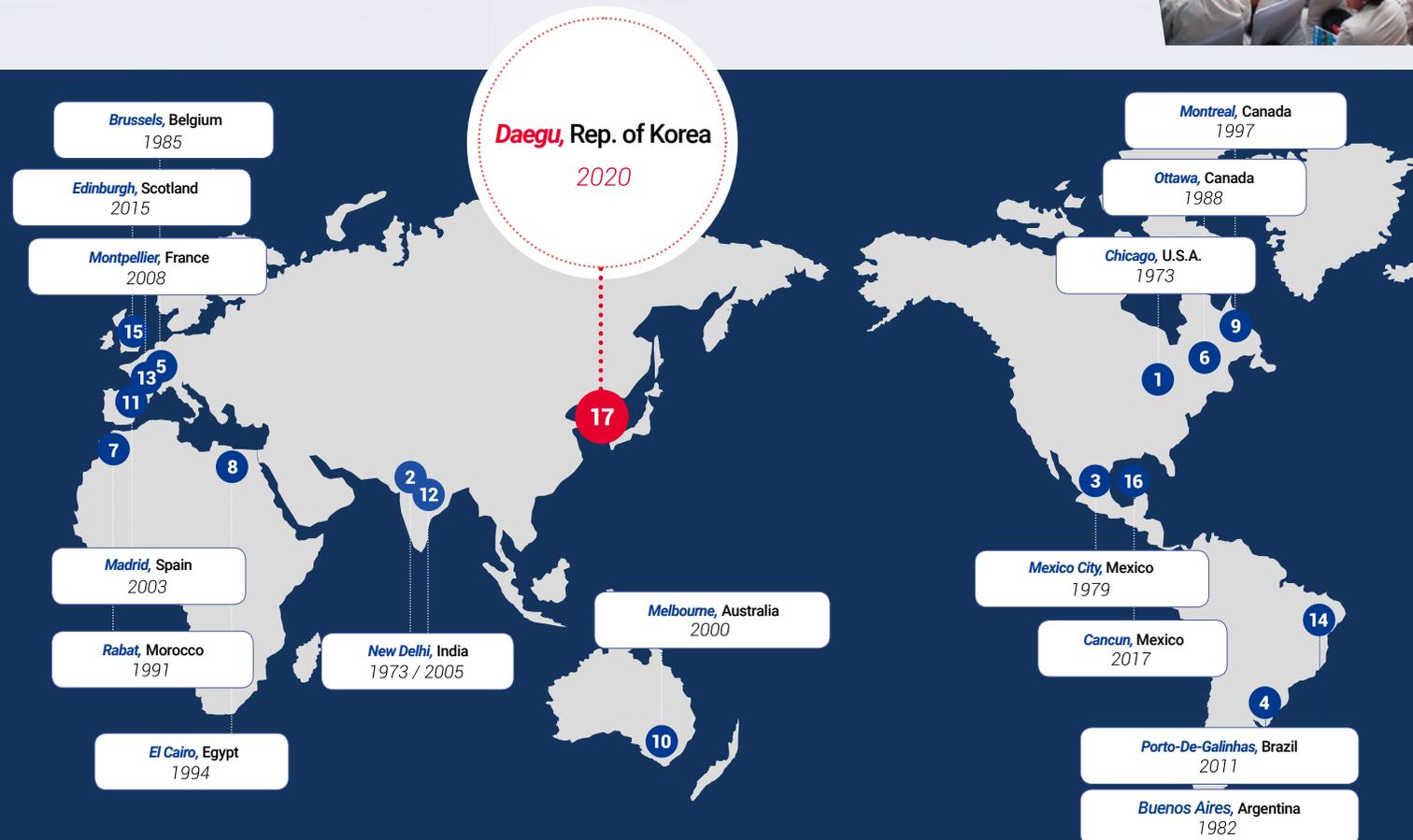
- IWRA is a global knowledge network of water experts who are passionate about protecting the world's water resources.
- A non-profit, non-governmental, educational organisation, established in 1971
- A global forum, bridging disciplines and geographies to connect professionals, students, institutions and corporations.



World Water Forum

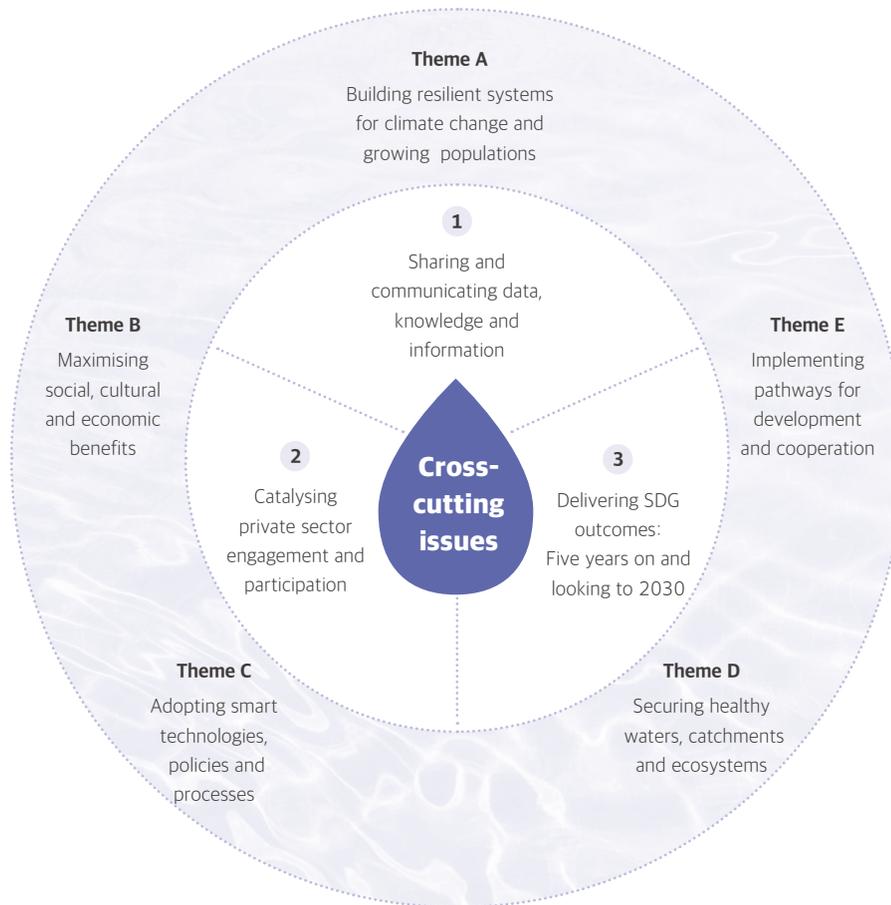
XVII World Water Congress will be a Milestone on the road to the 9th World Water Forum in Dakar in 2021.

- Shared theme on Water Security
- Specific sessions and activities
- Invited representatives



The XVII World Water Congress is a Multi-Disciplinary Event

The issue of water security and resilience is divided into three crosscutting issues and five sub-themes. Papers and Special Sessions presented at the Congress will correspond to these cross-cutting and sub-themes.



Cross Cutting Issues

<p>1</p> <p>Sharing and communicating data, knowledge and information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Education & capacity-building: meeting the needs of developing countries ▪ ICT platforms & apps: new initiatives & approaches to information sharing ▪ Bridging science & policy: reflections on the Cancun Declaration from the XVI World Water Congress 	<p>2</p> <p>Catalysing private sector engagement and participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Water risks: improving water use & quality at sites & in supply chains ▪ Financing needs: making the water sector more attractive for investors ▪ Local participation: emerging roles & opportunities for small & large business 	<p>3</p> <p>Delivering SDG outcomes: Five years on and looking to 2030</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Progress on implementation: national, regional & thematic perspectives ▪ Predictions for 2030: best case, likely & worst-case scenarios ▪ Technology & knowledge needs: availability, affordability & sustainability
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Sub-Themes

<p>Theme A</p> <p>Building resilient systems for climate change & growing populations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Balancing critical water needs: the people-food-energy-environment nexus ▪ Managing water scarcity: supply-side & demand-side options ▪ Reducing disaster risks: improving preparedness & resilience ▪ Water sanitation & health: deepening inclusion, access & service ▪ Financing resilience: challenges, opportunities & risks
<p>Theme B</p> <p>Maximising social, cultural & economic benefits</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valuing water: perspectives from grass-roots to governments ▪ Water allocation & governance: balancing equity, legal & economic needs ▪ Access & authority: empowering youth women & other disadvantaged groups ▪ Cultural water: traditional & indigenous values in water policy, planning and law ▪ Community participation: local programmes improving water access & quality
<p>Theme C</p> <p>Adopting smart technologies, policies & processes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Water-smart cities: re-thinking the urban water cycle from site to basin scale ▪ Smart water & ICT: applications for developing and developed countries ▪ Water & food: improving efficiency, productivity and nutritional outcomes ▪ Appropriate technologies: low-cost innovations from concept to business plan ▪ Smarter water: latest advances in education, research & development
<p>Theme D</p> <p>Securing healthy waters catchments & ecosystems</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Basins & catchments: implementing IWRM from source to sea ▪ Rivers & wetlands: ecological and engineering approaches to rehabilitation ▪ Environmental water: innovations and outcomes in policy, law and practice ▪ Improving water quality: new economic, legal, regulatory & technical approaches ▪ Climate change & ecosystems: repairing impacts & preventing damage
<p>Theme E</p> <p>Implementing pathways for development & cooperation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Managing trans-boundary waters: advances, regressions & prospects ▪ Water & migration: understanding and mitigating key drivers & risks ▪ Water governance: reflections on progress in policy, law & institutional reform ▪ River basin organisations: case studies highlighting successes & challenges ▪ Grass-roots action: collaboration in local government & civil society programmes

How to Participate

Oral and Poster Presentations

If you are a water expert, academic, professional, private sector practitioner, or civil society stakeholder, who wishes to present your latest work and research at the Congress, you must submit an abstract through the official website.

The submission process is simple. Abstracts should clearly describe the research, analysis, project or investigation in maximum 350 words, and include in summary form:

- a The purpose or thesis of the work;
- b The key issue(s) or problem(s) addressed;
- c The methodology or approach used;
- d The results or conclusions derived from the project; and
- e Implications of the project relevant to congress themes

And of course, don't forget to indicate which theme you wish to be considered under and whether you prefer to do an oral or poster presentation.

The call for abstracts is open until the end of September 2019. All abstracts will be reviewed by the International Scientific Committee (ISC) who will approve those to be presented and will communicate this directly with the authors.

Special Sessions

A 'Special Session' is a parallel session within the main Congress programme, proposed by an organisation or group of organisations. A Special Session is typically 90 minutes long and must also be aligned with one or more of the Congress themes. There is no cost to host a special session.

To submit a Special Session proposal via the website, you only need to describe the proposed session in under 1000 words, including:

- a Title and a short description of the session's topic (and alignment with which congress sub-theme)
- b The name of the lead and partner organisation(s)
- c The session objectives, justifications, and projected outcomes, aligned with the Congress theme
- d How the session will be organised and by whom
- e A list of presenters who are proposed to speak in the session (indicating those who have already committed)
- f A description of financial and other resources that could be committed to realising the session

Side Events

A side event is a conference, workshop or meeting, organised independently by an organisation outside of IWRA, which may be formally associated with the Congress for mutual interest and benefit.

It should have a theme or purpose that is connected to the Congress theme, and take place immediately prior to, during, or following the main Congress programme.

The organisers of IWRA's XVII World Water Congress welcome proposals for side events to take place in conjunction with the Congress. Governmental, non-governmental, and inter-governmental organisations, as well as private sector organisations, who wish to organise a side event on relevant topics in conjunction with the Congress should contact IWRA Executive Office directly (congress@iwra.org).

Youth Ambassador Programme

IWRA wants to support both students and young professionals who are looking to get more experience and to expand their network in the water resource management sector. The Youth Ambassador Programme will offer the chance for these people to apply to attend the Congress for free in exchange for working as rapporteurs for a certain number of sessions and contributing to the daily newsletter as well as the Congress proceedings.

We will launch the call for applications for Youth Ambassadors by the end of the year. Please keep an eye on the IWRA newsletter and Congress website for further updates.

General Participants

Even if you are not planning to present any work, we know that you will be very interested to find out what others are doing. Audience questions are encouraged at all sessions and there are multiple networking opportunities throughout each day of the week.

Make sure to visit the Congress website (www.worldwatercongress.com) to find out all the details on how to participate:



Programme Highlights

High Level Panels

High level experts from around the world have been invited to participate in three high level panels to set the scene for the week's discussions and presentations. The panel topics are:

- Delivering SDG Outcomes: 5 Years on and Looking to 2030
- Private Sector Adaptation to a World of Climate Change and Water Extremes
- Water Related Data, Technology and Capacity Building for Developing Countries

Welcome Reception

Break the ice with your fellow participants with a drinks reception held on the first night. This is a great chance to get to the speakers from the first day, and increase your professional network.

Gala Dinner

Enjoy another great networking opportunity accompanied with good food and excellent Korean cultural entertainment. This is a fun chance to dress up and talk in more detail with fellow participants on what you have learned so far during the Congress.

Awards Ceremony

Join us in celebrating the excellent work of numerous water experts being recognised for their efforts in the sector, including the coveted Ven Te Chow memorial lecture award - IWRA's most prestigious honour, and the Crystal Drop.

Key-dates

2019

31 Jul

Deadline for Submission of Abstracts

30 Sep

Extended Deadline for Submission of Abstracts

31 Oct

Announcement of the Accepted Abstracts

2020

30 Jan

Deadline for Early-bird Registration

28 Feb

Deadline for Exhibition Application

24 Apr

Deadline for Regular Registration

Registration

Register Now to Benefit from **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS!**

And remember that you are also eligible for **an additional discount if you are a fully paid member of IWRA!**

Early-bird by 30 Jan 2020		Regular by 24 Apr 2020		Onsite During the congress period	
IWRA Member					
Developing Country	Developed Country	Developing Country	Developed Country	Developing Country	Developed Country
USD 500	USD 600	USD 550	USD 700	USD 600	USD 800
Non-member					
Developing Country	Developed Country	Developing Country	Developed Country	Developing Country	Developed Country
USD 600	USD 700	USD 650	USD 800	USD 700	USD 900
Student USD 200		Student USD 250		Student USD 300	
One-day USD 200		One-day USD 250		One-day USD 300	
Accompanying Person					
Developing Country	Developed Country	Developing Country	Developed Country	Developing Country	Developed Country
USD 100	USD 200	USD 150	USD 250	USD 200	USD 300
Gala Dinner USD 50					

Exhibition

Stand Prices

Standard Booth	Raw Space
USD 3,000 per unit 1 unit: 9sqm (3m X 3m)	USD 2,500 per unit Space Only

Sponsorship

Sponsorship Packages

DIAMOND	PREMIUM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
USD 50,000	USD 30,000	USD 20,000	USD 10,000	USD 2,000

Benefits from Sponsorship Package

- **Networking benefits** Complimentary exhibit spaces and full-registrations etc.
- **Onsite branding** Logo on congress lanyards, registration desk etc.
- **Brand Advertising** Logo on congress website and e-newsletter etc.

• Each packages will be rewarded with different range of benefits.
• A wide range of choices are available through the Customised Programme. Please visit the website for details.

Useful Information

www.worldwatercongress.com

Accommodation

There are many accommodation options in Daegu City. We have recommended a number of places to stay on the Congress website, with links to help you make your booking. Visit the Congress website for the latest information: www.worldwatercongress.com



How to get to Daegu



Other Information

You can find out more information about visa requirements at: www.visa.go.kr
While planning your trip, familiarise yourself with the climate, time zone, business hours, currency, electricity supply, safety and security in Korea by visiting our website: www.worldwatercongress.com

The World's Largest Congress Linking Water Researchers and Policy Practitioners await you in
Korea's Water Hub, Daegu,
from 11-15 May 2020!

And, remember:

- **Share** your latest research papers in oral and poster presentations
- **Learn** about the latest developments in water resource management from other parts of the world
- **Network** with scientists to inform policy development, and policy practitioners to steer upcoming research
- **Present** as a national or international institutions through special sessions latest projects, calling for feedback and collaboration opportunities
- **Register** today and benefit from early bird discounts. You can also obtain a special reduction in your registration fees if you are or become an IWRA member!

We look forward to welcoming you next year to
IWRA's XVII World Water Congress on
**"Foundations for Global Water Security and Resilience:
Knowledge, Technology and Policy"**!

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