

AWS in Stockholm

AWS and many of our members will be well represented in the annual World Water Week in Stockholm next week (26th to 31st August 2018). More information on AWS events throughout the week as well as some of our Members' events are shown below. Throughout the week we'll be posting updates on Twitter, so please make sure you follow @_A4WS and share your thoughts with us.

We hope to see you there!

AWS Events (led by AWS or with AWS participation)

WHEN / WHERE	CONVENORS	TITLE	SUMMARY
Monday August 27th 09:00 – 09:30 Studio in main conference centre lower ground floor	AWS and SCS Global Services	SIWI Sofa Session: The Value Independent Certification Brings to Global Water Stewardship	Global water standards guide companies seeking to assure responsible water governance, sustainable water balance, good water quality, and healthy water-related sites. Third-party certification is pivotal, providing independent assurance that companies are translating these standards into practice. Nestlé Waters and Ecolab case studies under the Alliance for Water Stewardship standard discussed.
Monday August 27th 12:30 – 13:00 Australian Water Partnership (AWP) Booth	AWS / Australia Water Partnership		Ten years since water stewardship was introduced we have put together the story about where this idea started and how it has progressed. Please join us for a short event, 12.30 to 1.00pm, on Monday the 27th of August at the Australian Booth for a short celebration to mark the official release of our water stewardship story. Some of the early champions will be there to talk about their stories and refreshments will be available. This publication was produced with support from the Australian Water Partnership.

<p>Monday August 27th</p> <p>12:00 – 12:30</p> <p>Exhibition Hall</p>	<p>Nestlé (AWS participating)</p>	<p>Stewarding water resources for future generations – the role of business</p>	<p>Panelists from different sectors will discuss on this SIWI Sofa how business can contribute together with other actors to sustainable water management in each of the following areas: Factories, watersheds, agricultural supply chains and communities.</p>
<p>Monday August 27th</p> <p>14:00 – 15:30</p> <p>NL Music Hall</p>	<p>Action Platform for Source to Sea Management/ SIWI/ SIDA/ Swedish Leadership for Sustainable Development/ World Ocean Council (AWS Participating)</p>	<p>Business leadership for Oceans – Source to sea solutions</p>	<p>Land-based activities affect freshwater, marine and coastal ecosystems, compromising ecosystem health and having implications for other aspects of sustainable development and may of the SDGs. Industry organisations and their member companies are exploring how to best address the challenges of land-based sources of pollution and stimulate innovative solutions. Many companies are making significant efforts to understand and address sustainable development and implement SDG 6 and 14. This session will bring together CEOs/senior corporate representatives from different sectors to offer industry perspectives on the road ahead.</p>
<p>Wednesday August 29th</p> <p>14:00 – 15:30</p> <p>NL 357</p>	<p>China Water Risk (AWS Participating)</p>	<p>Asia Wateromics: More GDP with Less Water and Pollution</p>	<p>China Water Risk has explored “water-nomics” since 2015 including working with investors and government organisations in applying the concept. Presentations in this event will explore the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does Asia have enough water for its people and future development? • Will climate change exacerbate current water constraints across Asia’s 10 river basins? • What is China doing in balancing water and development? What can we learn from the Yangtze River Economic Belt (>42% of national GDP)? • At the city level, what can we improve in water management? Are sponge cities the future urban ecosystem?

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What implications are there for sectors e.g. electronics?
<p>Thursday August 30th</p> <p>11:00 – 12:30</p> <p>NL 353</p>	<p>AWS, Quantis, Valuing Nature, World Resources Institute</p>	<p>Water Stewardship Benefit Accounting: New Approaches and Lessons Learned</p>	<p>This showcase will present a new methodology to quantify the benefits of investing in water stewardship, and the associate contributions to shared watershed outcomes, and SDG6 more broadly. Panellists will share lessons learned, and recommendations for how the methodology can help advance the wider water, ecosystems and human development agenda.</p>
<p>Thursday August 30th</p> <p>14:00 – 15:30</p> <p>NL Pillar Hall</p>	<p>AWS, CEO Water Mandate, IWaSP, WBCSD, WWF, 2030 WRG</p>	<p>Water stewardship: partnership and financing models for scale</p>	<p>Focused on sharing lessons and experiences of water stewardship, this event brings together several catalytic organizations and initiatives to discuss the power of partnerships in accelerating stewardship outcomes. With a shared vision on how water stewardship can contribute to water security, these initiatives are increasingly exploring mechanisms for collaborative and concerted action, with the aim of scaling up impacts. Through a discussion on potential collaboration models within and across countries, the event aims to mobilize complementary initiatives to serve as aggregators of knowledge, networks, data, and action.</p>

AWS Member Events

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<p>Sunday August 26th</p> <p>09:00 – 10:30</p> <p>NL 253</p>	<p>Forest Trends / Nature Insurance value: Assessment and Demonstration Project Consortium / Deltares / The Nature Conservancy / Alliance for Global Water Adaptation / Stockholm International Water Institute / ICATALIST</p>	<p>An Action Agenda for Green Infrastructure</p>	<p>The Action Agenda provides a mechanism for critically evaluating the most pressing challenges and needs for scaling green infrastructure; a community of practice to mainstream green infrastructure as business as usual in the water sector; promoting green infrastructure solutions with political leaders, finance community, general public, and at international development, water, and climate fora.</p>
<p>Sunday August 26th</p> <p>11:00 – 11:45</p> <p>NL 353</p>	<p>WWF and DEG- Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft GmbH</p>	<p>Showcase: The Water Risk Filter 5.0: Explore, Assess, Value and Respond</p>	<p>The WWF Water Risk Filter was co-developed with KfW(DEG) in 2012 and has been used by over 3,000 users to assess hundreds of thousands of sites. This showcase will be the global launch of the upgraded Water Risk Filter 5.0, which uniquely assesses both basin and operational water risk. Along with a more user-friendly interface and improved data, the tool also now includes several brand-new functions to help companies and investors value and respond to water risk.</p>
<p>Sunday August 26th</p>	<p>CEO Water Mandate, The Nature Conservancy, Danone, Forest Trends, and Ramsar Convention on Wetlands</p>	<p>Nature-based Solutions for Better Climate Resilience:</p>	<p>This session will convene businesses, governments, and civil society to discuss how innovative nature-based solutions can support</p>

11:00 – 12:30 FH 307		Business Practice and Solutions	and scale corporate action taking in account the local water context.
Sunday August 26th 17:00 – 17:30 Exhibition Hall	Veolia/ CITYTAPS	SIWI Sofa: "Leveraging Pay-As-You-Go and New Technologies for Universal Accessible Water Access"	SIWI Sofa "Leveraging Pay-As-You-Go and New Technologies for Universal Accessible Water Access" by Martine Vullierme and Grégoire Landel, Pilot project in Niger
Monday August 27th 14:00 – 14:30 Exhibition Hall	The Nature Conservancy / IWA	Water utilities' leadership in nature-based solutions for SDG 6	A recent partnership between the International Water Association (IWA) and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) aims to leverage the two organizations' strengths to influence greater investments in natural infrastructure. During the sofa, representatives from the organizations will discuss connecting water utilities and cities with their basins to influence catchment management; developing guidance for water and sanitation services to integrate nature-based solutions into their operations; building the capacity of practitioners to use nature-based solutions in water management; supporting regulators to incorporate nature-based solutions for improved water security and safety.
Monday August 27th 16:00 – 17:30	Conservation International / World Wide Fund for Nature / The Nature Conservancy / HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation / Water For People / Millennium Water Alliance / IRC / Wetlands International	Freshwater conservation – WASH integration: High-level and local-level	This session will present new findings and best practices from innovative multi-sectoral projects that link human health, development and freshwater ecosystem conservation at the

NL 461		challenges and opportunities	community and/or district levels to further the Sustainable Development Goals at all scales.
Monday August 27th 16:00 – 17:30 FH Little Theatre	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation / Swiss Water Partnership / South Pole Group / HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation / International Union for Conservation of Nature / World Wide Fund for Nature	Addressing Challenges to Unlock Financing of Nature-based Solutions for Water	This event will look at how to scale up growing public and private investments in NbWS. This event will explore regulatory environment and incentives for public and private investments; the capacity gap for finance design and overall implementation; making the business case from a corporate perspective; and valuing and measuring the social and environmental co-benefits.
Tuesday August 28th 11:00 – 18:00 Radisson Blu Waterfront hotel	CEO Water Mandate Multi-Stakeholder Working Conference	Corporate Water Stewardship: Making a Relevant and Meaningful Contribution to Water Security	There will be a number of sessions at this event with topics including: ‘Understanding the Context for Effective Water Stewardship Action’, ‘Public Water Resource Management - How Can the Private Sector Help?’, ‘Towards a Common Understanding of Water Challenges, Risks, and Response’ and ‘The Role of Investors in Scaling Water Stewardship’.
Tuesday August 28th 11:00 – 12:30 NL Music Hall	Swiss Water Partnership / CSD Engineers / Caritas Switzerland / HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation / WaterLex / Direction Générale de L'Eau Genève / Swiss NGO DRR Platform	Nature-based solutions for water: A smart approach to disaster risk	From mitigating disaster impacts to investing in Nature-based Solutions for Water to reduce disaster risks on the long-term: How political, organizational and technical levels all matter to end up on effective actions in the field. Based on concrete case studies in Switzerland, Myanmar, Honduras and Tajikistan the event will explore different components for successful

			implementation of Nature-based Solutions for Water.
<p>Tuesday August 28th</p> <p>12:30 – 14:00</p> <p>Side Meeting (Queen’s Hotel, Drottninggatan)</p>	WIN, Oxfam, Water Witness International and WaterAid	Advancing social accountability practice and knowledge on water	
<p>Tuesday August 28th</p> <p>14:00 – 15:30</p> <p>NL 253</p>	The Nature Conservancy / Veolia	Utility business cases for investing in watershed	
<p>Tuesday August 28th</p> <p>16:00 – 17:30</p> <p>NL 357</p>	The Nature Conservancy / International Finance Corporation / WWF / World Fish Migration Foundation / McGill University	Free-flowing rivers: global status and solutions for securing their benefits	This session will highlight the importance for people and nature of free-flowing rivers. It will introduce a global study and conceptual framework to define free-flowing rivers and quantify, map and monitor their status – and then review various solutions to maintain or restore their benefits. These solutions range from system-scale planning aimed at guiding the siting and design of new river infrastructure, to the re-operation of existing dams to restore natural flow patterns, and the strategic removal of aging infrastructure to reconnect rivers and floodplains. Panellists will emphasize how

			specific examples, methods and tools can be integrated into government policies, strategic planning efforts, and private sector practices to have global impact on sustainable
<p>Wednesday 29th August</p> <p>09:00 – 10:30 FH 307</p> <p>11:00 – 12:30 NL Music Hall</p>	<p>SIWI, WWF, ICMM (Convenors) Veolia, Global Agribusiness Alliance (Participants from AWS Members)</p>	<p>Industry’s role in ecosystem and watershed management</p>	<p>Demand for water from the private sector is increasing. The OECD projects that by 2050, 40 percent more water is required globally than in 2000. While addressing operational water issues, industries are now implementing strategies that address water in watersheds and value chains and proactively engaged on policy and technology innovation.</p>
<p>Wednesday August 29th</p> <p>16:00 – 17:30</p> <p>NL Music Hall</p>	<p>WWF / UNGC CEO Water Mandate / HSBC / Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit</p>	<p>Water stewardship collaboration for the textiles sector</p>	<p>This session will examine the challenges and opportunities of current sector water stewardship activities and tools and explore how the textiles sector can align to accelerate change through collective action in key water risk regions. In particular the discussions will focus on how to co-ordinate resources to drive improvements in impacts, development and water governance in priority regions, and whether the relevant brands and organisations can come together within a global collaboration for textiles water stewardship. Speakers will discuss opportunities for an aligned approach on thought leadership, target setting, policy engagement, data and tools, and particularly</p>

			on-ground water stewardship programmes.
<p>Thursday August 30th</p> <p>09:00 – 10:30</p> <p>NL Pillar Hall</p>	<p>UNGC CEO Water Mandate / United Nations Children’s Fund / International Labour Organization / WaterAid / World Business Council for Sustainable Development / Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council / Water and Sanitation for the Urban Poor / Sanitation and Water for All / Alliance for Water Stewardship / Toilet Board Coalition / GAP Inc. / Unilever / Diageo / Global Citizen / UN Foundation</p>	<p>WASH4Work: Tools to Accelerate Business Action on WASH</p>	<p>This event will look at how to better enable businesses to work independently and jointly with others to ensure effective delivery of WASH provision. It will explore the key attributes for developing a business case for action on WASH, the current landscape of WASH in the standards systems businesses rely on for implementation, and the innovative practices businesses are undertaking. It will include the launch of a new guidance, ‘Strengthening the case for WASH’ delivered by WaterAid, Diageo, Unilever and Gap Inc.</p>
<p>Thursday 30th August</p> <p>16:00 – 17:30</p> <p>NL Music Hall</p>	<p>University of Strathclyde / mWater / Scottish Government, Government of Malawi</p>	<p>Country-led asset management systems to improve WASH services</p>	<p>The event will share experiences of the Scottish Government Climate Justice Fund Water Futures Programme (2011-2030) supporting the Government of Malawi to achieve SDG6. The programme is centred on policy and skills for water governance combined with detailed national mapping of type, location, condition and key features of water and sanitation infrastructure in Malawi. The mapping contains other key data such as domestic water systems, surface water, healthcare facilities, and schools. A roll-out plan across Malawi is in process to widen the mWater user base across Government and others such as water sector NGO’s, private sector water users.</p>

<p>Thursday 30th August</p> <p>16:00 – 17:30</p> <p>FH 202</p>	<p>WWF and WRI</p>	<p>The evolution of water risk assessment</p>	<p>This session will look at how the next generation of approaches are emerging, with a focus on concepts such as context and valuation. This event will seek to outline not only trends in corporate water risk assessment tools but present the state of the art through an understanding of the latest innovations. The session will also engage some of the leading environmental, social & governance (ESG) data providers to explain how water risk is being incorporated to help shape financial markets.</p>
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