



Water and Faith: Acting in Partnership to Achieve SDG 6 2018 World Water Week Engagements Summary

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World Water Week Engagement Summary Snapshot

During the 2018 World Water Week, the Water and Faith consortium partners including: the Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI), World Council of Churches (WCC), Global Water Partnership (GWP), the Church of Sweden, Swedish Institute Alexandria and GIZ organized a series of events and activities to bring key water professional and faith-based development actors together to create a shared space for dialogue and partnership development.



Highlight events from World Water Week included a public Showcase entitled 'Water and Faith: Acting in Partnership to Achieve SDG 6', two public SIWI Sofa video recordings and livestreamed events, and a closed high-level meeting. Each event was designed to elevate key messages around water and faith partnership with implementation partners to raise interest and attention to the shared efforts to achieve SDG 6.

As the third annual Water and Faith event at the World Water Week, this year emphasized joint action between the various faith based organisations (FBOs) and also between the FBOs and water sector representatives involved such as the SIWI, GWP etc. The following were some of the concrete outcome of the showcase and the closed meetings that followed.

- A decision was taken to undertake evidence-based research and documentation of good practices on water issues by the faith communities.
- To expand the collaborations with faith based organizations (FBOs) by the water sectors.
- To present the water community at the next World Water Week with concrete examples of collaborations and impacts on water issues between the water sector and FBOs.
- To contribute to the Synthesis Report on SDG6 by the World Water Assessment Programme on contributions of the faith communities in addressing water crisis.
- To explore possibilities of attracting investments from faith communities and religious bodies for "impact investment" on water sector, in line with the "Faith and Finance" guidelines developed at a consultation in Zug, Switzerland in 2017.

This summary was assembled by the Water and Faith consortium partners with additional support from SIWI/Swedish Water House rapporteurs Lotta Samuelson and Lizzie Sagrelius.

For additional pictures from World Council of Churches Communications Officer Albin Hilard from the public Showcase and Sofa events as well as the closed meeting please visit:

<https://oikoumene.photoshelter.com/galleries/C0000zK3nWPEUFR4/G00007MQe5AgGOJQ/Faith-and-Water-Day-World-Water-Week-2018>. For partner generated media outreach from the World Council of Churches please see articles [here](#) and [here](#); and from Swedish Institute Alexandria [here](#).



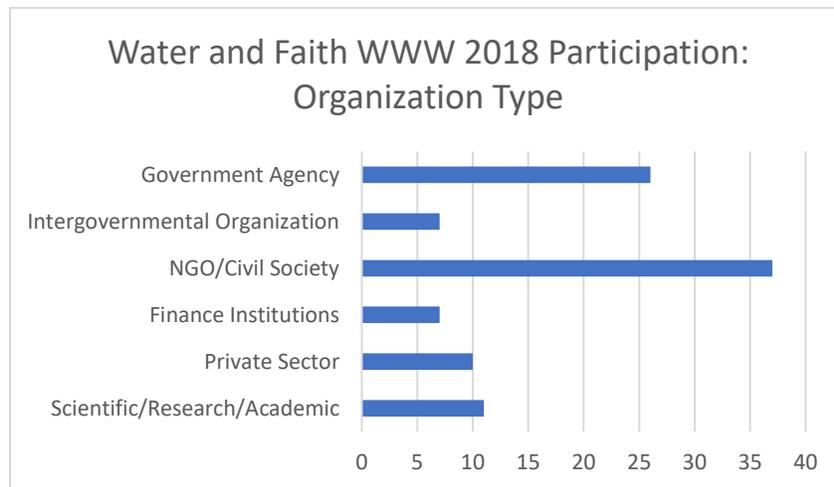
Please note that the selected interventions and statements included in this summary document have been paraphrased based on written notes and are not direct representations of comments made unless a quotation is indicated. Not all interventions are reflected in this meeting summary.

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Showcase Summary and Outcomes

The 2018 Water and Faith Showcase attracted the participation of approximately 100 water sector professionals from government agencies, civil society organizations and institutions, and water sector professionals.

A total of 77 World Water Week participants (based on scanned IDs) attended the Showcase and an additional 21 unregistered participants joined the event taking advantage of the event’s open to the public status. Participating attendees were drawn from a range of different stakeholder groups including government agencies, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations, development partners and financing institutions, private sector representatives, academic/research representatives and others. Participant data from the event indicates strong interests from a range of sectors with particularly high interest from civil society organizations including faith based civil society organizations.

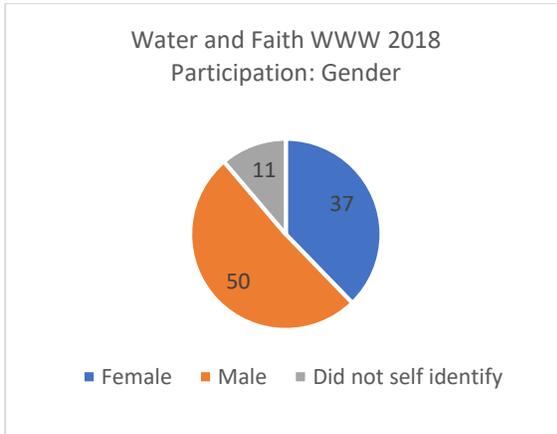
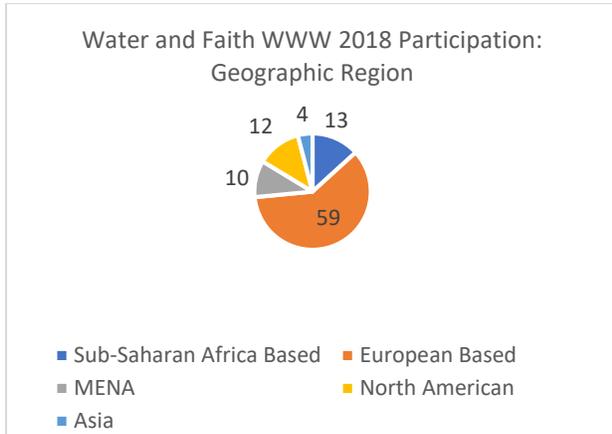


Participants were also drawn from diverse geographic regions with particular strong interest from Swedish stakeholders given the soft launch of the Swedish Water House Swedish stakeholders cluster group on Water and Faith. Gender distribution was near balanced with 50 male participants, 37 female participants and 11 who did not choose to self-identify.



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The Showcase event began with an introduction and welcome on behalf of the consortium partners from **Dinesh Suna**, World Council of Churches, highlighting that the World Water Week showcase marks the third annual convening of such an event in Stockholm and the special nature of the event focused on bringing together different perspectives from the water sector. He further highlighted that events such as this contribute to improve dialogue within the water sector by recognizing contributions from across the sector, reinforce partnerships and build a stronger platform to achieve SDG 6. On behalf of all consortium partners Dinesh stressed that the partners would like to strengthen the partnership to include joint action on the ground in the coming year. The Showcase participants were then welcomed by [video message by Rev. Dr Olav Fykse Tveit](#), General Secretary of the World Council of Churches representing half a billion Christians from around the world through their networks. Rev. Dr Olav Fykse Tveit stressed that water is a gift of god, a gift of creation and that water scarcity is one of the most important contemporary environment issues to be addressed today. Rev Dr Olav Fykse Tveit highlighted the deficit of access to clean and affordable drinking water for drinking and sanitation and called for water to be preserved and cared for. Furthermore, he made a public call to raise voices, take action and care for the world’s water resources. He further stressed connections between water and justice. As a Christian leader he indicated that we are called to be stewards of the resources of the world, and the most significant world resource is water. He encouraged partnership across the water sector as a moral imperative.



The welcome messages were followed by introductions of the Water and Faith high level panel participants by **Elizabeth Yaari**, Senior Programme Manager SIWI and **Francois Birkke**, GWP, Senior Network Officer.

Mufti Mohammad Zoubi spoke to the many recent accomplishments and successful approaches taken in Jordan to engage faith based leadership and communities in wise water management. The Mufti described the engagement of religious leaders through membership in a working group to improve



efficiency in water use in the society, the production of guide for water in Islam, participation in international conferences to grow dialogue around issues around water in Islam. Support for Jordan's ongoing leadership in this regards is provided by the German government through GIZ. He further described the great importance of water in Islam, and the many ways it is elevated in Islam's holy texts. *'God will ask us in the next life how we cared for this resource. (Water) is a blessing we need to thank God for - not only by words, but through our practices, use it responsibly and care for it.'* GIZ also supports religious scholarship related to efficient water use. Through this effort the Mufti has issued a series of fatwas (religious edicts) encouraging the faithful not to waste water, not to pollute water, encouraging the safe irrigation of crops with treated waste water, and encouraging domestic grey water reuse. The Mufti concluded with a reminder to all that *'We are passengers on the same ship, water concerns us all. All divine religions call their followers to care for water. Because all humans, irrespective of religion or race are caretakers and have to take care of this gift, and deliver it to the next opportunity.'*

Dr Monika Weber-Fahr, Executive Director of Global Water Partnership spoke to the importance of faith-based leaders and communities engaging directly with water and in so doing help to give focus to the moral values around wise water use. She further highlighted how her organization, GWP, works with people who have to take care of water, when it is polluted and scarce. Collaboration with FBOs is productive because they share the values needed to find water solutions that are effective and sustainable. GWP works with many different FBO, in many countries in their programming. *'Actually, anytime a new stakeholder platform is formed Want to increase this area of collaboration? I would elevate that we can partner with FBOs further, they have the will, resources and presence in the educational and health care services, we work together more strategically. What if all students in faith-based schools had water in their curriculum?'*



Bishop Arnold Temple greeted the session participants in the name of God. *'Reporters often ask, what has religion to do with water, why are you involved? Water is a faith issue! Our lord and Jesus, his manifesto can be summed up: have life in all its fullness. Water is life. Water is created by God. These are criteria for judgement, for eternal life, God gives us this as a criterion for life, and ask us to share water with a thirsty brother.'* The Bishop further described how the World Council of Churches (WCC) received a certificate from the Blue Planet Project welcoming WCC to the Blue Community. This certificate demonstrates WCC's recognition and acknowledgment of the importance of water and commits the WCC to eliminate plastic containers of water in all its programmes, communities and institutions where safe tap water is found. Furthermore, the WCC calls on their partner churches to become Blue Community members to reduce the 1 million plastic bottles produced every minute. WCC further promotes public control of water resources so as to provide clean, potable water to all people.

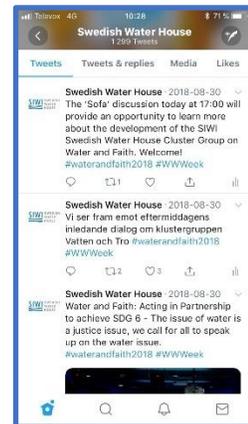


Prof. Stefan Uhlenbrook, Coordinator and Director, UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP) reflected on the theme of World Water Week ‘Water, ecosystems and human development’ and shared key aspects of WWAP’s recent assessment. He described the gap in water infrastructure financing to achieve SDG 6, noting that from the total investments in the water sector, the majority goes into the grey sector, less than 5% to nature-based solutions. He also described the need to broaden the assessment of SDG to include faith based perspectives around the value of water and invited SIWI and GWP to help include WCC and Muslim representatives in this process to help the World Water Report improve even more.

Katarina Veem, Director of SIWI’s Swedish Water House (SWH) described SIWI’s continued commitment to invite diverse stakeholders to engage across diverse water dialogue platforms and invited session participants to join in the effort. *‘This afternoon, we will discuss together with the Church of Sweden and other Swedish stakeholders the establishment of a Water and Faith Cluster Group. We are excited for this new platform to take shape. Engaging around water is important because it brings the climate challenges closer and more understandable. Climate change impacts are predominately felt by people through water. On the ground level, water challenges are tangible today.’*



Dr Joakim Harlin, Head of the Freshwater Unit, United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) and former Vice-President of UN Water, was then invited by the facilitators to give a short panel response from the perspective of UNEP. Dr Harlin described the UN’s experience working in partnership with religious leaders and institutions to deliver on its mandate with specific reference to the UN’s Inter-Agency Task Force on Religion and Development and the role of UN Water in this effort including through advocacy and education programmes. He applauded the effort to increase partnership in this regards and bring more actors joint effort to achieve the SDGs.



Closing statements from Bishop Temple and Mufti Zoubi encouraged partnership and joint action. Mufti Zoubi remarked that ‘people are connected together through three elements, one of them is water.’ And Bishop Temple reminded that ‘when speaking up for water we speak up for life.’

Participants were pre registered to participate in the following activities were invited to the lunch and closed meetings and additional inputs and ideas to enhance partnerships to achieve SDG 6 are invited using [#waterandfaith2018](https://twitter.com/waterandfaith2018).

Sofa Summary and Outcomes



The Water and Faith co-conveners also organized two SIWI Sofa events to elevate the session’s key lessons regarding fostering greater engagement and partnership between faith based and secular water sector actors. The [first fifteen-minute video segment](#) (in English and Arabic) featured Bishop Arnold Temple, Chairperson of Ecumenical Water Network of WCC, Mufti Mohammad Zoubi, the Mufti of Amman, Jordan, Katarina Veem, Director of SIWI’s Swedish Water House, and Dag Hedin from the



Diocese of Luleå on behalf of the Church of Sweden. This panel provided different faith based perspectives and priority concerns of the panelists and their institutions. The second [five-minute segment](#) (in Swedish) was a focused exchange between the Sofa host, Katarina Veem and Dag Hedin from the Diocese of Luleå on behalf of the Church of Sweden discussing this issue from the perspective of Sweden. This discussion also included information and invitation to get involved with SIWI’s Swedish Water House new cluster group on Water and Faith.

Closed Meeting Summary and Outcomes

Following the public Showcase event participants who had indicated their interest in advance were invited to join a light lunch & mingle followed by a closed meeting to further elaborate opportunities to enhance partnership to achieve SDG 6. The meeting was hosted at the Royal Academy of Agriculture and Forestry.

The meeting was facilitated by **Elizabeth Yaari**, Senior Programme Manager at SIWI, who opened the meeting with welcomes to all and described the meetings objective to serve as an open platform for discussion and dialogue geared towards joint action between faith based organizations and the water sector. She described what has been achieved through the partnership of the conveners already and their shared objective to identify joint actions which can further strengthen the partnership. **Katarina Veem**, Director, Swedish Water House at SIWI welcomed all participants to the Royal Academy of Agriculture and Forestry at which she is a Fellow and hoped for an open and transparent dialogue, stimulating a broader international dialogue. She also reminded that after the meeting Swedish stakeholders will be invited to discuss what can be achieved amongst the Swedish actors present.



All participants were then invited to introduce themselves and share ideas and avenues for increased cooperation and action.

Rev Henrik Grape, Church of Sweden (CoS) described his experience in advocating for climate change solutions and the close connections with water. The 2008 interfaith climate summit developed a manifesto



endorsed by religions from all over the world. Several key lessons from that process missing from today's discussion around water and faith. 1) Communities of faith have longer term perspectives due to narrative development and future visions. This long perspective can counter the day to day short term decision making and strategies. 2) The concept of wholeness; this is why we are here, this is what being human on earth. We must raise the ethical grounds for discussions. To ensure decision making moral based and on ethical grounds. 3) Through this space we are able to build connections to the most vulnerable. All three of these lessons are very important to create trust.

Dinesh Suna, World Council of Churches (WCC) highlighted the WCC's commitment to serve and advocate on behalf of the Blue Communities Project. He then shared a reflection on the recent visit of Pope Francis to the WCC, while the Vatican is so far not a Blue Community, Pope Francis was given a humble Blue Community glass water bottle during the event's ceremony to highlight the Blue Community objectives and the role of faith leaders on water issues. The WCC collaborated with the UN Special Rapporteurs on water around the Moral Imperative to end extreme poverty, of which wise water use was a key focus. WCC is now a member of the Partnership for Religion and Development (PaRD) network. While water is not a priority issue in the current structure of PaRD, a specific workstream around water is being considered. There is important value to participating in international processes and encourages religious leaders to join these engagements. We are also following the developments around how to leverage the Zug principles and had a chance to review the new publication 'Faith and Finance' which describes how faith-based investments in the water sector have broad social impacts.



Bjorn Zimprich described GIZ's experienced portfolio in directly engaging faith-based leaders and institutions in its water programme in Jordan. The country programmes were developed and given additional support after an institutional change took place at GIZ which, since 2016, has seen religious authorities directly consulted with as part of development projects and processes. For the last four years we have been working very closely with authorities in Jordan to deliver our water programme, we are excited about the results and look forward to further collaboration.

Ambassador Peter Weiderud, Swedish Institute Alexandria, reflected on this the third year that Swedish Institute Alexandria has participated in these dialogues. Located in the MENA, the objective and mandate of the Swedish Institute is to facilitate discussion around religion, culture, and politics. Water is dear and important for all communities. In the Christina Bible there are 1046 mentions of water (in the year 2000 translation.)! Water is used twice as much as law, 20 times more than Jesus Christ is mentioned! The Swedish government is engaged in this forum because we believe faith leaders have much to give to secure water, conflicts and human rights. The world is increasing in complexity. When I was growing up values, beliefs, religion were reduced to the personal area. The increasing complexity demands values and morals to be able to choose what facts to rely on. On the other side we have a growing trend of opportunistic policy. Religion can help motivate



people to care for the future. So, the political dialogue with faith organizations becomes more important for world security.

Kristina Johansson described SIWI’s new Water and Faith cluster group platform for Swedish stakeholders established together with the Church of Sweden. The discussion platform will gather stakeholders around the intersecting theme of water and faith to leverage opportunities for increased partnership. The cluster group methodology is flexible and adaptable. There is no set agenda at the onset, but the agenda is formed through its participants, water and faith stakeholders in Sweden. Generally, the cluster group process extends over two years and results in a shared action. Strengthening our engagement with faith-based organizations and development partners is part of SIWI’s efforts to foster participatory processes around water governance, in Sweden and globally. **Rev Henrik Grape**, Church of Sweden (CoS) added that *‘the complexity of the world makes the national work more international. What is the responsibility, for the faith leaders in their own country to secure water? It is important to have a discussion with leaders from other faiths.’*



Om Prakash Singh and **Om Prasad Gautam** described their shared [Millennium Water Story project](#) which aims to share water stories that capture the relationship between water and religion from the Hindu perspective. *‘Every religion has some very basic values in relations to nature and water.’* The stories provide opportunity to give scientific explanations for the Hindu connections to water. Through story telling we are able to bridge science and religion around water.



Mohammed Mohsen, Islamic Relief Sweden, shared updates related to Islamic Relief’s efforts to initiate a similar engagement of faith-based leaders in long term planning processes. *‘Society has become divided. Connecting our communities through international environmentally centred projects will improve the work of our Swedish organizations.’*

David De Army, Water for Good, described their work and challenges delivering water and sanitation solutions across Central African Republic, where several religious groups exist. As a Christian development organization we share a challenge with other faith based development organizations on how to effectively communicate the value of ensuring equal access to water and sanitation investments across all communities in CAR, irrespective of their religious background. This is a challenge because funding for water projects can be seen to mostly go to the largest religious group, leaving another community left out. We as a development organization must ensure a broad view and not take sides politically and religiously but include all and have a dialogue with all donors regarding balancing the funds, to help poor communities. We are happy to be here in this discussion to learn different from perspectives.



Mufti Mohammad Zoubi, Mufti of Amman further elaborated on the foundational relationships between water and religion and linking to Ambassador Peter Weiderud's earlier statements. He highlighted that like in the Christina Bible, water is described and mentioned with frequency in Islamic holy texts, mentioned 63 times in Koran. This number, he mentioned, is also the age of the Prophet Mohammed, Peace be upon him, when he died. Further, in Islam, the best gift you can give is selfless, and to give water to another is the highest of selfless acts. *'When the Companion of the Prophet managed to provide for a poor community, he was forgiven for all future sins.'* Finally, he called upon all participants inspiring faith, not only through words, but through practice. Religious leaders are important this effort to communicate practicalities and actions. Jordan is one of the poorest water countries in the worlds. Despite this poverty and water scarcity, and because water is sacred, we share what we have. But we call upon our deep to solve this challenge together.

Wafa Alamad, Director of Women's Affairs at the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affair in Jordan remarked that as members of religious communities, we know how to work with people. *'Let's use what we have in common to secure water and biodiversity, we are the stewards of the world.'* In our GIZ supported project in Jordan we are working in partnership with female preachers active in mosques and in cultural centres. Through our community engagements we are respected and have influence over large part of the society.

Nedal Sultan, Director of the Central Iftaa in Jordan further elaborated on Jordan's water scarcity challenges. *'Jordan is the second water poorest country in the world, maybe the first. Despite the lack of resources, we are Arabic, we are generous, we share the water we have with the Syrian refugees.' To improve our water efficiency, we have produced guides and books to inform how the Muslim faith encourages the sharing of water and care of water resources as an act of faith.'*

Nicolas Lorne, Director of Waterpreneurs, shared an update on the 'Faith Invest' initiative which will be discussed in two weeks in Zug, Switzerland. The initiative has brought together faith leaders from 12 traditions to share knowledge and approach to investing for sustainable development, the results of which will be shared soon. There is good potential in shifting traditional investments towards those that meet investment criteria geared towards in social/economic projects and action on ground to meet the SDGs.

Bishop Arnold Temple, Chairperson of the Ecumenical Water Network of the World Council of Churches, reflected upon and expressed support to Mufti Mohammad Zoubi's call to move to action, and indicated that this is also a Christian approach. *'Seeing that we all, no matter what faith, have the same view on water, we should go together, we need to work together.'* He further shared that *'Sierra Leone has a long history of religious tolerance. There are many stories to support this, almost every family have both Christian and Muslim members. We have cooperated since centuries, e.g. Islamic societies have contributed to building Christian churches. Recently 2500 people died in flooding. Muslim and Christians commemorated together, reading from the Koran and the Bible, side by side. In our engagement for water, that's where we should go, working together for the sake of water. Not just speaking out*





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but acting. For life, in all its fullness. Spiritual underlining of the work is baseline. God is the creator of water, in all religions.'

Henk Holtslag, Senior Advisor for the SMART Centre Group, commented that *'We can together, under the water umbrella reduce rural poverty in Africa. Addressing water is essential, water being part of life, water is central in the family level, improved access to water leads to less water carrying for women and more opportunities for society. Faith Based Organizations have enormous potential, have access to places where governments cannot reach. A family with a pump makes the family income jump up.'*

On behalf of SIWI's **co-convening partners at GWP**, Elizabeth Yaari reflected on Global Water Partnership's statement during the Showcase and **Francois Brikke's** leadership within GWP to encourage engagement with faith-based organizations and actors within GWP programming with specific reference to Mongolia, Morocco and India country programmes.

In conclusion, SIWI's **Elizabeth Yaari** wrapped up the meeting's discussions expressing that SIWI is very pleased and proud to convene these meetings at World Water Week and is also open for more meetings at other places over the year. Please feel free to email us suggestions and ideas for continuing joint actions and opportunities for partnership. We would like to make some concrete collaborative actions and invite you all to be part of this conversation.



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Annex I Showcase Programme

- 11:00-11:05 Welcome and Introduction
Dinesh Suna, Programme Executive/Coordinator, Ecumenical Water Network (EWN),
World Council of Churches
- Video message from Rev. Dr Olav Fykse Tveit, General Secretary, World Council of Churches
- 11:05-11:30 High Level Panel: (5 minute statements each)
- Facilitated by Elizabeth Yaari, Senior Program Manager, Transboundary Water Management, Stockholm International Water Institute; and Francois Brikke, Senior Network Officer, Global Water Partnership
- Bishop Arnold Temple, Chairperson of Ecumenical Water Network of World Council of Churches
- Mufti Mohammad Zoubi, Mufti of Amman, Jordan
- Dr Monika Weber-Fahr, Executive Secretary, Global Water Partnership
- Prof. Stefan Uhlenbrook, Coordinator and Director, UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP)
- Ms Katarina Veem, Director, Swedish Water House
- 11:35-11:42 Invited reflection Dr Joakim Harlin, Head of the Freshwater Unit, United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)
- 11:42-11:45 Closing Remarks
Elizabeth Yaari, Senior Program Manager, Transboundary Water Management, Stockholm International Water Institute

Annex II Showcase Participants List (*indicates participation in closed meeting)

Name	Company/Institution	Country
Adnan Al-Zoubi	Secretary General Assistant at the Ministry of Water and Irrigation / Director of Media and Awareness	
Adrienne Lane	University of Oxford	UK
Albin Hillert*	World Council of Churches	Sweden
Alexandra Said	SIWI	Sweden
Alice Brandt	Sanitation for Millions programme, GIZ	Germany
Alice Jaraish Nassar	Stockholm International Water Institute	Sweden
Andrea Djurle	SIWI	Sweden
Andrew Armstrong	Water Mission	USA
Angela Renata Cordeiro Ortigara	UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme	Italy
Arij Sassi	GIZ-Tunsie	Tunisia
Bishop Arnold Temple*	Chairperson of Ecumenical Water Network of WCC	Sierra Leon
Bjorn Zimprich*	GIZ	Germany
Camilla Grøtta	Norwegian Church Aid	Norway
Chris Winger*	ADRA International	USA
Christabel Kambala	University of Malawi - The Polytechnic	Malawi
Claus Grue*	World Council of Churches	Sweden
Dag Hedin*	Church of Sweden /Diocese of Luleå	Sweden
Dani Barrington	University of Leeds	UK
Daniel Tsegai	UNCCD	Germany
Dave Murray	Canadian Water Resources Association	Canada
David De Army*	Water for Good	USA
Dinesh Suna*	World Council of Churches	Switzerland
Elizabeth Yaari*	SIWI	Sweden
Ester Renkel	SIWI	Sweden
Florence Grace Adongo	Ministry of Water and Environment	Uganda
Franck Barroso	Waterpreneurs	Switzerland
Francois Brikke	Senior Network Officer, Global Water Partnership	France
Frank van Weert	Wetlands International	The Netherlands
George Sikasote	GS Water Tech	Zambia
Gunn Inger Røkke Ruud	Norwegian Church Aid	Norway
Heba	GIZ	Jordan
Henk Holtslag*	Senior advisor SMART Centre Group	The Netherlands
Henrik Grape*	Church of Sweden	Sweden



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Hsieh Yueh-Chyn*	Swedish Buddhist Cooperation Council, BLIA	Sweden
Ian Cooke	SD Venture Advisors	UK
Jan Peter Bergkvist	SleepWell AB / SIWI Board Co-opted member	Sweden
Jerome Dellipriscoli	GWP	USA
Jonathan Schulze	University of Applied Sciences Muelheim	Germany
Julian Musiime	Kampala Capital City Authority	Uganda
Kajetan Hetzer	Take-a-Stake Fund	The Netherlands
Katarina Veem*	SIWI SWH	Sweden
Kholosa Magudu	WWF-SA	South Africa
Kristina Johansson*	SIWI	Sweden
Kristoffer Westman	SIANI / SEI	Sweden
Kusum Athukorala	NetWwater	Sri Lanka
Leah Jones	Arizona State University	USA
Len Abrams	Len Abrams Consulting	United Kingdom
Lizzie Öhr Sagrelius*	SIWI SWH (notes and social media)	Sweden
Lotta Samuelson*	SIWI SWH (notes and social media)	Sweden
Lotte Feuerstein	Water Integrity Network (WIN)	Germany
Lynne Gollither	Anglican Communion Office at the UN	USA
Madeleine Sundberg	WaterLex	Switzerland
Maiwen Dot Pheot Ngalueth	UNHCR (Sponsorship)	Switzerland
Manfred Matz	GIZ-Tunisia	Tunisia
Margareta Koltai (dep for international work)	Church of Sweden	Sweden
Maria Ana Rodriguez	GIZ-Tunisia	Tunisia
Mats Eriksson	SIWI	Sweden
Maya Velis	Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands	The Netherlands
Mohammed Mohsen*	Islamic Relief Sweden	Sweden
Monika Weber-Fahr	Executive Sec, GWP	Germany
Mpunga CHIPEPO	National Water Supply and Sanitation Council	Zambia
Mufti Mohammad Zoubi*	Mufti of Amman, Jordan,	Jordan
Muneer Jaafari*	Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic affairs	Jordan
Nandita Singh	Water Development Center (UCV)	Sweden
Nedal Sultan*	Director of Central Iftaa	Jordan
Nicolas Lorne*	Waterpreneurs	Switzerland
Nima Pahlevan	NASA GSFC	USA
Nomakhosazana Jonas	Water Research Commission	South Africa
Nuha Anfaresi	Young Water Solutions	Belgium
Olu Funke COFIE	INTERNATIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE	Ghana
Om Prakash Singh*	Millennium Water Story	Sweden



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Peter Weiderud*	Swedish Institute Alexandria	Sweden
Petter Jakobsson*	Diakonia	Sweden
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Rajendra Singh	Tarun Bharat Sangh	India
Richard Carter	Richard Carter and Associates Ltd	UK
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Rose Tawil	UNICEF South Sudan Country Office	South Sudan
Samantha Kuzma	World Resources Institute	USA
Stefan Uhlenbrook	Coordinator and Director, UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme	Germany
Steven Malecek	Water Pathways, LLC	USA
Tim Lee	Global Aid Network	Canada
Vincent IDURI	Kilifi County Government	The Netherlands
Wafa Alamad*	Director of Women, Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic affairs	Jordan
Wendy Har*	Swedish Buddhist Cooperation Council	Sweden
Yassine Mellouil	GIZ-Tunisia	Tunisia
Zhang Hongping	China Institute of Water Resources and Hydropower Research(IWHR)	China
Zodwa Dlamini	Independent Consultant	South Africa
	SECOURS ISLAMIQUE FRANCE	France
	Ministry of Public Utilities	Trinidad och Tobago
	Global Water Partnership Organisation	Sweden
	Global Water Partnership	Sweden
	water for good	USA
	Global Aid Network	Canada
	Global Water Partnership	Sweden
	University of Ljubljana	Slovenia
	Church of Sweden	Sweden
	UN Environment	Sweden
	WASTE	The Netherlands

*Indicates participation in Showcase and Closed Meeting