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Water Innovations for Sustainable Development

A GET-UP STAND-UP SESSION
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Water Innovations for Sustainable Development: A Get-up, Stand-up Session

Date & time: Thursday 23 March 8:00 AM – 9:15 AM EST

Location: United Nations Head Quarters

Aim: Engage participants in an interactive exercise to prioritize areas of impactful research, innovation and investment to advance the Water Action Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Organizers: Delft University of Technology, 374Water, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, UNICAMP university, University for Development Studies Tamale, Barnard College, Columbia University, Alabama University, Eawag, ETH Zürich, 374Water will invite 5-7 additional water technology companies.

Interactive format: We will engage participants in a new, truly active stand-up format by inviting people to move and take positions in a physical field. The participants will form a Human Spectrogram where they can share arguments to jointly set impactful research, innovation and investment goals to advance the Water Action Agenda. The outcomes of these Human Spectrograms will serve as input of the concluding High-Level Water Dialogue.

Session topics: The session will consist of three rounds, covering three challenges with the thematic foci: Water for Health, Water for Food and Water for Climate, aligning with the Interactive Dialogue themes 1, 2 and 3 of the Water Conference, specifically focusing on actionable output for the water science & technology community. Challenges will cover, amongst other things, drivers for innovation adoption, global scale-up, circular water use and forever chemicals.