

Knowledge Forum on Water Security and Climate Change

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UNESCO's International Hydrological Programme is organising a Knowledge Forum on Water Security and Climate Change, dedicated to connecting young and senior scientists and water practitioners to facilitate collaboration, learning and knowledge-sharing primarily through events, workshops, and new communication and information technologies (ICT). The Forum, which will take place at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris on 15 and 16 February 2017, will comprise several lectures, a young scientists' poster exhibition, and opportunities to enhance partnerships on water security and climate change.

The Knowledge Forum on Water Security and Climate Change will focus on facilitating access to recent information on regional, national or international research projects, as well as enhance cooperation between developing countries (South-South cooperation) for future research and enhancing citizen science. The Forum will address the following methodological issues and challenges for Water Security and Climate Change: Vulnerability assessment, mapping and implementation of adaptation strategies in vulnerable regions (Climate change risk and vulnerability assessment; Development and implementation of adaptation strategies and climate risk management; Water augmentation techniques for increased climatic resilience; Adaptive water and soil conservation measures); Raise awareness on potential impacts of climate change on water resources; Enhancing the exchange of knowledge between scientists, local communities, and decision-makers using citizen science to better respond to environmental changes, to improve water management resources and to contribute to SDGs monitoring and implementation.

All interested young hydrologists, water resources professionals and students (aged 35 or younger) are invited to participate in the poster session on one of the above topics. Young women scientists from developing and less developed countries are encouraged to participate.

Deadline for submission: 2 January 2017

Deadline for registration: 30 January 2017

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