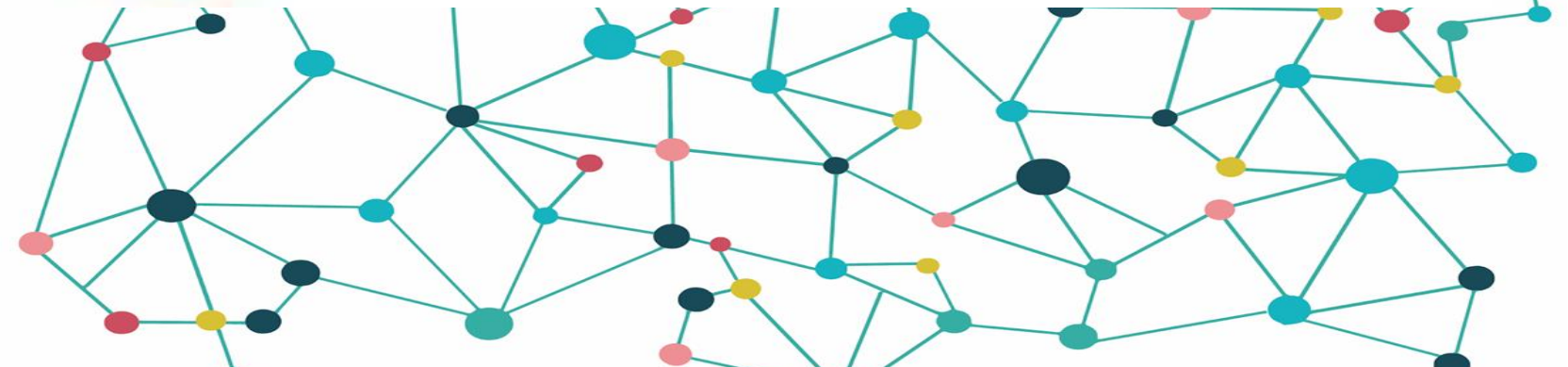


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The Water Youth Network is a global connector in the water sector, made up of a vibrant community of students and young professionals across the different disciplines of water sector.

WHO ARE WE?

Water Youth Network was born out of a group of young water professionals who met at the 6th World Water Forum (WWF) in Marseille, France in 2012. The organization was first registered in France in 2013, and later shifted its registration in the Netherlands in 2017.

Our vision is a world where young, motivated, well-prepared individuals are connected to the individuals, organizations, information, resources, and opportunities that enable them to ultimately improve the world's water situation.

Our mission is to:

- Connect young professionals and students in the water sector to one another and to sector partners; and
- Empower young leaders to share and develop skills and expertise to create and advance water sector solutions.



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We focus our attention on four priority areas in order to realize our vision.

The WYN creates **continuity** between the existing youth initiatives in the water sector

The WYN created the "Sharing innovative practices" programme which creates continuity between youth initiatives.



The WYN **connects** active youth groups in the water sector across disciplines, boundaries and with other generations

The WYN facilitated an intergenerational panel at the World Water Week in Stockholm 2014.



The WYN works on **meaningful youth participation**

The WYN convened the youth Forum at the 2013 Budapest Water Summit.



The WYN manages existing **knowledge** while helping to push the edge of innovation



The WYN created an online platform where knowledge and innovations can be shared.





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The WYN has a simple structure: an advisory board, a core group of active members split into working groups, individuals and partner organizations.

Working Groups

Water Governance

Disaster Risk Reduction

Integrated Water Resources Management

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

World Water Forum

YouKnow! - Youth driven Knowledge in Water Platform

Supporting Group

Communications and strategic partnership



Networking,
Knowledge
Sharing,
And
Collaboration

Supporting
Innovative,
Youth-led
Initiatives

Supporting
Meaningful,
Science-
informed
Youth
Engagement in
Policy

Highlights of the WYN DRR team

- The WYN DRR team organized and collaborated on various networking, outreach and knowledge sharing events and sessions.
- We strive to collate existing youth initiatives and give them the recognition and support they deserve through our interactive [YouKnow platform](#).
- The WYN DRR team have engaged in numerous policy related events and activities in connection with the United Nations Major Group of Children and Youth (UN MGCY).
- Interactive workshops in Integrated Flood Risk Management, UN MGCY Youth Forum, Global Platform on DRR, Cancun
- Capacity Building Workshop - Seeds for a Safer Tomorrow Toolkit, UN MGCY Youth Forum, Global Platform on DRR
- Youth engagement at the International Conference on Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems
- WYN DRR team member acted as the co-chair of the UN MGCY Youth Forum at the Global Platform on Disaster Risk Reduction organizing committee
- We have supported several competitions that give young people opportunities to share and further their innovative ideas for example Global competition for youth led projects in both years 2017 and 2021: Flood and Drought Special along with **WMO** and **GWP**



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ASSOCIATED PROGRAMME ON FLOOD MANAGEMENT - APFM

- **WYN** supports APFM in **outreach and communication activities (including update of CoS)** – Catalogue of Services is important for showcasing the products and expertise of APFM and Support Base Partners.
- Helps in **identifying SBPs possible role in the chain of End-to-End (E2E) Flood Forecasting and Early Warning Initiative.**

Communication Strategy

Social media engagement through posts, polls, updates on SBP partners work and on APFM.

Hosting webinars focussing on youth in early warning and integrated flood management

Don't FORGET to FOLLOW us on social media & to SHARE our posts & TAG us!





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WATER YOUTH NETWORK - IDMP

WYN is now an official partner of IDMP since May 2022. WYN will be supporting IDMP in the communication and outreach and also with potential opportunities for further engagement!!

We have a designated focal point for the partnership and three volunteers for the foreseen tasks in outreach of IDMP.

