

Press Release

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World Conference on Water and Wastewater Technologies in Essen - register now

The future of water management will be discussed in a wide range of topics

The Leading Edge Conference for Water and Wastewater Technologies (#iwaLET) will take place at the Zeche Zollverein in Essen from 24 to 28 June, 2024. Registration for the conference is now open at <https://iwa-let.org/>.

At the conference, international water experts will discuss a wide range of topics and innovations in the water sector. More than 350 contributions from all over the world on current topics in drinking water and wastewater technology have been submitted. The international program committee is currently putting together the individual lecture blocks and events for the week-long conference.

On Monday, 24 June 2024, the participants will work together in workshops in smaller groups. The workshop format enables an intensive exchange of knowledge at an international level.

The official opening of the conference will take place on Tuesday, 25 June 2024, with high-ranking representatives from politics, public utilities and science. This will be followed by presentations on trace substance problems and desalination technologies. In the afternoon, climate change is on the agenda with a panel discussion on the European Green Deal as a driver of innovation in the water sector and presentations on greenhouse gas reduction and energy saving.

On Wednesday and Thursday, there will be presentations on the drinking water and wastewater sector in two parallel halls. The topics on the agenda include digitalisation, membrane and desalination technologies, resource recovery and sludge treatment, closing water cycles and innovative processes in wastewater treatment. A gala dinner will be held on Thursday evening at the end of the lecture program.

The excursions on Friday will take participants to interesting and innovative water and wastewater technology plants in the Ruhr region and round off the conference program.

The #iwaLET contributes to the further development of water and wastewater technology worldwide. It is known for producing important innovations and promoting their rapid implementation in practice.

The conference is sponsored by the International Water Association (IWA), based in London. The IWA is the world's largest network of companies, experts and institutions in the water industry from 140 countries.

The hosts of #iwaLET – Ruhrverband, Emschergenossenschaft/Lippeverband (EGLV) and GELSENWASSER AG – cordially invite water management experts to take part in this global event.

The film accompanying the invitation can be found here: https://youtu.be/S6Qi34C_GoA.

The conference will take place at the world cultural heritage site "Zeche Zollverein" in Essen. The site itself, a former coal mine and now a museum and world heritage site, is a symbol of change.

The hosts:

International Water Association: <https://iwa-network.org/>

Ruhrverband: www.ruhrverband.de

GELSENWASSER AG: www.gelsenwasser.de

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