

# SYNTHESIS WORKSHOP: NEXT WATER GOVERNANCE

Charting horizons, addressing future challenges, and connecting research with community and practice

## OBJECTIVES

- 1 Debate the future of water governance
- 2 Discuss NEWAVE findings relevant for policy, practice, and communities
- 3 Support career development, mentorship, and network building

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **THURSDAY, 15 JUNE: AT THE HEART OF WATER GOVERNANCE**  
Morning: Key challenges and innovations at the heart of water governance.  
Afternoon: Emerging NEWAVE research insights for policy, practice, and community.
- **FRIDAY, 16 JUNE: BROADENING WATER GOVERNANCE HORIZONS**  
Morning: World café to navigate career futures and build transdisciplinary collaborations.  
Afternoon: UN Water Action Agenda - consensus vs. controversy.

## DETAILS

● **LOCATION:**  
BRUSSELS,  
BELGIUM

● **DATES:**  
14-17 JUNE,  
2023



# SYNTHESIS WORKSHOP: AGENDA

## THURSDAY, 15 JUNE: AT THE HEART OF WATER GOVERNANCE

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| 09:00 – 09:30 | <b>Presentation of NEWAVE: Why do we need NEWAVE?</b>  |
| 09:30 – 11:00 | <b>Key challenges and innovations at the heart of water governance: The view from the EU</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Claudia Olazábal, Head of Sustainable Freshwater Management Unit, DG Environment</li><li>• Dr. Karin Aschberger, Deputy Head D.2 Ocean and Water Unit, Directorate D Sustainable Resources, JRC Ispra</li><li>• Sergiy Moroz. European Environmental Bureau</li></ul> |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | <b>Coffee break</b>  |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | <b>Key challenges and innovations at the heart of water governance: A view from the perspective of the SDGs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Håkan Tropp, Stockholm International Water Institute</li><li>• Iris Bijlsma, Valuing Water Initiative (VWI), the Netherlands Enterprise and Development Agency</li><li>• Barbara Schreiner, Water Integrity Network</li></ul>                          |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | <b>Lunch break</b>   |
| 14:00 - 17:00 | <b>Reflections and connections: Emerging NEWAVE insights for policy and society</b>  |
| 17:00 - 19:30 | <b>Networking mixer</b>  |



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## FRIDAY, 16 JUNE: BROADENING WATER GOVERNANCE HORIZONS

09:30 – 12:15	<b>Navigating career futures in water governance and beyond</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edoardo Borgomeo, Water Specialist</li> <li>• Maria Mancilla Garcia, Université Libre de Bruxelles</li> <li>• Sophie Tremolet, The Nature Conservancy</li> <li>• Kirsten de Vette, Consultant &amp; Facilitator</li> <li>• Dr. Hita Unnikrishnan, The University of Sheffield</li> </ul>
12:15 – 13:15	<b>Coffee &amp; lunch break</b>
13:15 – 13:30	<b>Plenary</b>
13:30 – 16:00	<b>Network interviews</b>
16:00 – 17:30	<b>UN Water Action Agenda: Challenges, opportunities, and reflections</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prof. Lyla Mehta, Institute of Development Studies</li> <li>• Henk Ovink, Special Envoy for International Water Affairs, The Netherlands</li> <li>• Prof. Susan Schmeier, IHE Delft</li> </ul>
17:30	<b>Official closing</b>
19:00 - 21:00	<b>Farewell dinner</b>

## SATURDAY, 17 JUNE

morning “Pop up” Water Cycles event (TBC)

