



Final Call for ISDC & Initial Meeting Date and Location Announced

The application period for the International Standard Development Committee (ISDC) is nearing its completion. If you have not yet applied, you have until the end of April 30th to apply. Please note that additional applications will be considered on a rolling basis until all positions have been filled. Furthermore, the dates and location of the first meeting have now been established: the meeting will be held at IWMI's headquarters outside of Colombo, Sri Lanka, July 11-13th (the week after Singapore International Water Week). Travel and accommodation for ISDC members will be covered, and the AWS looks forward to this landmark meeting that will kick off the writing of the Standard. Additional details on the ISDC, including the Terms of Reference, can be found online along with a FAQ, at:

http://www.allianceforwaterstewardship.org/water_roundtable.html

AWS Issues RFP for Water Roundtable Facilitator

The AWS is pleased to issue a request for proposals (RFP) for facilitation of the International Standard Development Committee (ISDC) meetings beginning in July, 2011 and running through June, 2013. The purpose of the facilitation will be to help the ISDC members reach consensus when discussing issues related to the WRT and, ultimately, the Standard. More information is available on the [AWS website](#). Any interested parties should send in their applications to Nicole Tanner, Assistant Water Roundtable Coordinator via either email: nicole.tanner@wwfus.org, fax: 202-861-8324, or via mail to: Nicole Tanner, Assistant Water Roundtable Coordinator, World Wildlife Fund, 1250 24th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037, USA.

AWS at the Canadian Water Summit

The AWS is pleased to be a presenter at the Canadian Water Summit being held in Toronto on June 14, 2011. Speaking on how AWS represents a verifiable risk response strategy to businesses and water service providers, the AWS will be joined by WWF-Canada and the World Resources Institute for what is sure to be an engaging panel discussion on Water Risk. For more details and to learn how to be a part of the Canadian Water Summit, please visit:

<http://www.watersummit.ca/>

Water Roundtable Process Finalized

The AWS is pleased to publish the finalized Water Roundtable Process. Having solicited feedback from stakeholders, the AWS has spent the last several months updating the final details of the WRT process which will guide the creation of the

International Water Stewardship Standard. The final draft of the WRT process may be found here:

http://www.allianceforwaterstewardship.org/water_roundtable.html. Furthermore, in an effort to be transparent and responsive to the feedback that was provided, the comments that were submitted online, along with the AWS's responses, may be viewed here: http://www.allianceforwaterstewardship.org/water_roundtable.html.

Any questions may be directed to the Global Water Roundtable Coordinator, Alexis Morgan (alexis.morgan@wwfus.org). AWS would like to sincerely thank all those who provided invaluable feedback on the proposed process and looks forward to the coming two years of the WRT.

The AWS-Latin America and the Caribbean (AWS-LAC) Regional Initiative Participated in Important Entrepreneur and Business Fora in Mexico, Brazil and Colombia

Mexico City: On March 10th, Scholar Adriana Nelly Correa, Responsible for Strategic Partnerships at Tecnológico de Monterrey's Water Center for Latin America and the Caribbean, and member of AWS-LAC's Coordination Team and Technical Working Group, presented the main objectives of AWS-LAC during the Plenary Session of the Business Coordinating Council (Consejo Coordinador Empresarial-CCE) in Mexico City.

Sao Paulo: As part of the seminar "Water Footprint in the Industrial Sector: Concepts and Standards", organized on March 14, by the National Confederation of Industry (CNI, in Portuguese) of Brazil, Adriana Nelly Correa of AWS-LAC was part of a panel of experts on the conceptual aspects and challenges of standardization in the field of sustainable water management.

Cali, Colombia: On April 6th, at the "Workshop on Water Funds: Exchanging experiences and generating best practices " hosted by The Nature Conservancy, Ricardo A. Monsivais, Coordinator of AWS-LAC, presented on the progress and next steps of the Alliance at the regional and global level, including the formation of working groups in LAC.

For the full update from each event, please visit our Latin America and Caribbean page at:

http://allianceforwaterstewardship.org/regional_latin_america_caribbean.html

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