



INTRODUCTION | WATER days izmir | 24.05.-26.05.2023

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The Goethe-Institut Izmir invites you to a unified conference on the sustainable use of water. Under the title "Suyumuz - Water Days Izmir", the general public will come together in Izmir from May 25th to 26th, 2023 to discuss the importance of water for the future of our planet together with Turkish and German experts and entrepreneurs Focus on Izmir to discuss.

The conference offers a varied program with keynote lectures, practical and educational approaches, best practice examples and workshops. The first day of the conference will highlight scientific, industrial and economic perspectives. On the second day, all participants have the opportunity to learn more about water conservation initiatives and activities in parallel sessions, as well as to share their knowledge and ideas in constructive discussions.

A public fashion show "CORALINE | Coral Reefs from a Creative Perspective", a live music performance and an art exhibition opening on the subject of water complete the program.

Suyumuz Water Days Izmir promises to be an unforgettable event that will encourage exchange on such an important issue and help create a sustainable future for all. Be there and be inspired by the diversity of creativity and this conference.

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PROGRAM

Wednesday, 24.05.2023, 18:30 - 20:30:

18:30-19:00 Meet and Greet

19:00-19:15 Opening speech

- Nivin El-Sioufy, Goethe-Institut Izmir
- Neptün Soyer, Köy-Koop Izmir Union President
- Alim Murathan, Tunç Soyer's consultant | Izmir Metropolitan Municipality
- Dr. Detlev Wolter, German General Consulate

19:15-19:45 Défilé "CORALINE"

19:45-20:00 Modern music performance "WATER"

20:00-20:30 Exhibition opening and guided tour | Ö. Günerli, A. Ertem



Thursday, 25.05.2023 | 10:00 - 15:30:

10:00 - 10:15 Opening speeches

15 mins.

- Nivin El-Sioufy, Goethe-Institut Izmir
- Neptün Soyer, Köy-Koop Izmir Union President
- Alim Murathan, Mr. Soyer's consultant | Izmir Metropolitan Municipality

10:15 - 11:00 Introduction

45 mins.

- Fikret Adaman, Boğaziçi Üni., Istanbul Policy Center "Sustainable development goals of the UNESCO"
- Stefan Wittig, Senate Bremen "Izmir and Bremen, two cities, two perspectives"
- Sevket Meriç, Izmir Metropolitan Municipality Head of Department of Agricultural Services
- Göker Yarkin Yaraşlı, IZDOÇA

11:00 - 11:15 Coffee Break

15 mins.

11:15 - 12:00 Facts and insights: Industrial and economic perspectives

45 mins.

- Kaan Erge, Prov. Dir. of Culture and Tourism: "Creating awareness of water consumption in hotels"
- IZSU "Rehabilitation and Recycling of industrial and domestic waste water"
- Fikret Adaman, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul Policy Center

12:00 - 12:45 Lunch Break

45 mins.

12:45 - 13:45 Facts and insights: Educational approaches for the young people

60 mins.

- Şevket Meriç and Pınar Eldem Çulhaoğlu, Izmir Metropolitan Municipality Department of Agricultural Services "Children's collaboration: Can Yücel Seed Center, Water awareness"
- Birkan Acar, Izmir Metropolitan Municipality IZSU General Directorate Head of Corporate Communications Department "Water awareness social responsibility projects for young people and children in Izmir"
- Fikret Adaman, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul Policy Center „Schools of Ayvalik | Social project"

13:45-14:15 Talk: Scientific perspectives | Moderator: Bengü Aydın Dikmen

45 mins.

- Nicel Saygın, Izmir Institute of Technology "Nature-based solutions tackling the water crisis"
- Hatice Eser Ökten, Izmir Institute of Technology "The use of water resources"
- Demet Antakyali, SWECO GmbH, Cologne "Water and technology"

14:15 - 14:30 Coffee Break

15 mins.

14:30 - 15:30 Panel: Combining perspectives | Moderator: Fikret Adaman

45 mins.

- Stefan Wittig, Senate Bremen
- Şevket Meriç and Pınar Eldem Çulhaoğlu, Izmir Metropolitan Municipality Agricultural Services Department
- Göker Yarkin Yaraşlı, IZDOÇA / Bülent Köstem, CITTASLOW METROPOL IZMIR
- Birkan Acar, Izmir Metropolitan Municipality IZSU General Directorate Head of Corporate Communications Department



Friday, 26.05.2023, 10:00 - 15:30:

10:00 - 10:15 Summary Day 1 & Intro Idea Box Nivin El-Sioufy, Goethe-Institut Izmir 15 mins.

10:15 - 11:00 Best practice AGRICULTURE and agricultural collaborations 45 mins.

- Göker Yarkin Yaraşlı, İZDOĞA “Mera Project” and “Plants suitable for the Mediterranean”
- Şevket Meriç ve Pınar Eldem Çulhaoğlu, İzmir Metropolitan Municipality Department of Agricultural Services “Collaboration with Can Yücel Seed Center”
- Dilek Himam, İzmir University of Economics “Collaboration: Can Yücel Seed Center”

11:00 - 11:15 Coffee break 15 mins.

11:15 - 11:45 Best practice IZSU 30 mins.

- IZSU, “Recycling of waste water and its use in agriculture”
- IZSU, “Aşık Veysel Recreation area rainwater harvesting project IZSU & Ahmet Toker”
- IZSU, „Reverse Umbrella, Rainwater and Energy Harvesting Project”

11:45 - 12:15 Best practice INDUSTRIAL 30 mins.

- Volkan Bintepe, WISERGLOBE “Sustainable Denim Wash”
- Sophia Reißenweber, University Halle “FLUSHED - sewage cleaning toilet paper” | ONLINE

12:15 - 13:00 Lunch break 45 mins.

13:00 - 14:00 Best practice ARCHITECTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN 60 mins.

- Bülent Köstem, CITTASLOW METROPOL İZMİR “Extension of Cittaslow study areas”
- Michael Hensel, Technical University Vienna “Embedded Architectures - Integration of architecture into the environment” | ONLINE
- Ipek Akpınar, İzmir Institute of Technology “Sustainable green campus: IZTECH model”
- Şevket Meriç and Pınar Eldem Çulhaoğlu, İzmir Metropolitan Municipality Department of Agricultural Services “Garden Project in Kadifekale”

14:00 - 15:00 Learn sessions see page number 4 60 mins.

15:00 - 15:15 Evaluating “Idea box” (visitors written ideas & suggestions) 15 mins.

15:15 - 15:30 Conclusion and closing speech 15 mins.

- Nivin El-Sioufy, Goethe-Institut Izmir
- Neptün Soyer, Köy-Koop Izmir Union President
- Alim Murathan, Tunç Soyer’s consultant | İzmir Metropolitan Municipality



Learn sessions | Friday, 26.05.23, 14:00-15:00

This format offers parallel discussions around special interests in different locations in and around the chamber of architects.

Research | IYTE

1. "Solutions for Tackling Water Pollution"

Focus: water quality, ecotoxicology and environmental chemistry

2. "Current climate change challenges and their impact on water"

Focus: climate research and water science

Industrial | Fikret Adaman

3. "Technologies and Solutions for sustainable water management"

Focus: Innovation

4. "Innovative Approaches to Reducing Water Pollution"

Focus: Innovation

Education

5. "Water Education and Education for Sustainability"

Discussions on education for sustainability in schools and communities

6. "Water Awareness and Community Responsibility"

Discussions on the role of the community in promoting water awareness

Design | IZSU rep. and Fatma Selçuk, City and Regional Planner | DFN Project

7. "Sustainable use of water in urban development"

Fatma Selçuk, City and Regional Planner, MSc | employed at „DFN Proje“

Ömer Selvi, City and Regional Planner, PhD

Gökçe Çelikkbilek, Architect, MSc

The role of design in creating sustainable water solutions in communities

Art and Culture | Ali Kemal Ertem, Karantina and Ege Dernegi

8. "Water in Art and Design Culture"

Discussion about the representation of water in the exhibition