



## 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

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

#### **10:00 - 10:15 Opening speeches**

15 mins.

- Nivin El-Sioufy, Goethe-Institut Izmir
- Sevket Meriç, Izmir municipality agricultural department head
- Neptün Soyer, Izmir Association of Agricultural Development and Other Agricultural Cooperatives Chairman of the Board of KÖY KOOP Izmir
- Kaan Erge, Provincial Directorate of Culture and Tourism, Deputy Director



### **10:15 - 11:00 Introduction**

45 mins.

- Fikret Adaman, Boğaziçi Üni., Istanbul Policy Center "Sustainable development goals of the UNESCO" | ONLINE
- Stefan Wittig, Senate Bremen "Izmir and Bremen, two cities, two perspectives"
- Alim Murathan, Advisor to the Mayor of Izmir Metropolitan Municipality "About Our Business - Sponge City"

### **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."
- Fikret Adaman, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul Policy Center "Political Economy of Sustainable Water Use" | ONLINE

### **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 "Social Awareness Projects for young people and children"
- Fikret Adaman, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul Policy Center „Schools of Ayvalik | Social project “
- Güneş Zindeol, Goethe-Institut Izmir Director of Educational Affairs „Araising social awareness in schools “

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

30 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** | Moderators: Pınar Eldem Çulhaoğlu

60 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”
- Melis Avcı Tezcan, İztarım Corporate Communications Manager “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.

- Müevvet Kılıç, İzmir Metropolitan Municipality IZSU General Directorate Head of Wastewater Treatment Department “Rehabilitation and recycling of industrial and domestic wastewater”
- Kemal Kılıç, İzmir Metropolitan Municipality IZSU General Directorate Head of Climate Change and Zero Waste Department “Aşık Veysel Recreation Area/ Rainwater Harvesting”
- Özer Doğan, İzmir Metropolitan Municipality IZSU General Directorate Head of Strategy Development Department “Reverse Umbrella, Rainwater & Energy Harvesting “

**11:45 - 12:15 Best practice INDUSTRIAL**

30 mins.

- Sophia Reißweber, University Halle “FLUSHED - sewage cleaning toilet paper” | ONLINE
- Fuat Gözaçan, Founder of GMI & Wiser Initiatives “Sustainable Denim Wash”

**12:15 - 13:00 Lunch break**

45 mins.

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

- 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” | ONLINE
- Bülent Köstem, CITTASLOW METROPOL İZMİR “Extension of Cittaslow study areas”
- Derya Cansoy, Department of Agricultural Services, R&D Coordination and Training Branch Directorate - Agricultural Engineer “Garden Project in Kadifekale”
- Ferhan UZUN, Department of Social Projects, Youth Work and Social Projects Branch Directorate, MERCEK: Kadifekale Project Executor, „A Model for Urban Orchards from the Perspective of Social Projects: Kadifekale Neighborhood Garden”

**14:00 - 15:00 Learn sessions see page number 4**

60 mins.



**15:00 - 15:30 Conclusion and closing speech**

15 mins.

- Nivin El-Sioufy, Goethe-Institut Izmir
- Neptün Soyer, Izmir Association of Agricultural Development and Other Agricultural Cooperatives Chairman of the Board of
- Alim Murathan, Mr. Soyer's consultant | Izmir Metropolitan Municipality

**PARALLEL EVENTS (26.05.2023, Friday)**

**K2 Performance** (Alsancak Mahallesi, Cumhuriyet Bulvarı, No:262/A Alsancak/Izmir)

**16:00- 16:30 Karantina Collective "Tracing Dry Water" Exhibition Talk 30min.**

**18:00 Karantina Collective "Tracing Dry Water" Exhibition Opening**



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### **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 | Güneş Zindeol, Goethe-Institut İzmir**

##### 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 Proje**

##### 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

#### **Ege Association "Time of Water" Exhibition Talk 14:00 - 15:00**

##### 8. "**Water in Art and Design Culture**"

Discussion about the representation of water in the exhibition