Leading the future of water with you

IWA
Individual Membership
Together, towards a water-wise world

The future of water management is one of the most critical issues facing the world today. The International Water Association (IWA) aims to turn knowledge into action by bridging the gap between research and practice, and providing global leadership to find innovative solutions to the world’s pressing water challenges.

At IWA, we believe that our members are indispensable agents of change to accomplish IWA’s vision to create a world in which water is wisely managed to satisfy the needs of human activities and ecosystems in an equitable and sustainable way.

We want to lead the next decade of transformation within the water sector, and we look forward to doing so by working together with our members and empowering the next generation of water professionals.

IWA at a glance

- We are the world’s largest international professional association focused on water, and covering the full water cycle from research to practice.
- We are a global network of water professionals and experts across the water sector, including from academia, research, practice, policy, regulation, consulting, engineering and utilities.
- Our members are based across 140 countries worldwide.
- We facilitate cooperation, networking and knowledge generation via IWA’s member communities, events, publications and programmes.

IWA Specialist Groups

Pioneering science

To help accelerate research into practice in water management, IWA brings together experts from across the globe and disciplines through IWA’s Specialist Groups (SGs). These are platforms for water leaders to discuss and collaborate on the critical scientific, technical and management issues affecting the water sector. They facilitate cooperation, networking and knowledge generation, primarily through regular conferences, meetings, newsletters and discussion forums.

As an IWA member, you can join any of the SGs, participate in their discussions, share your latest findings and be informed about state-of-the-art knowledge via the groups newsletters. The main activities of each SG are international conferences, publications and workshops. We recommend that you join between 5-7 SGs in order to ensure optimal engagement.

If you want to be more deeply involved in the work conducted by these groups, you can be nominated to join the SG Management Committees, play a role in the organisation of specialised conferences, or volunteer to create or participate in focused Task Groups or Clusters.

IWA Events

Exchanging knowledge and expertise

Assembling the power of the IWA Network is part of IWA’s core strength. Each year, IWA organises and supports many specialised conferences and seminars on a wide variety of topics in water management in locations worldwide. From major international conferences to small specialist meetings, IWA Events bring together the world’s leading researchers and scientists, utility leaders, regulators and practitioners to share knowledge, experience and know-how concerning the most pressing water challenges, and provide innovative solutions.

Attending our events is an excellent opportunity to keep yourself updated on pioneering science and technological innovation in the water sector, meet in person with fellow members and peers, and experience the power of the IWA Network. Your IWA membership facilitates your attendance by granting you exclusive discounts on your delegate tickets.

IWA Publishing

Fulfilling your publication needs

As a leading international publisher, IWA Publishing provides information and learning resources on all aspects of water, wastewater and related environmental fields. Its publications include a wide range of specialised journals, cutting edge books, high-quality research reports, reference works and manuals of best practice.

IWA Publishing ensures that you have access to the latest advancements across the water sector. With your IWA membership, this access is acquired with a significant discount on all journals and other publications. In addition, since 2021, members can enjoy free* access to digital journals through a Subscribe to Open (S2O) model, increasing the impact of water and wastewater publishing around the world.

*Applicable to the last 5 years publications, subscription fees apply for access to archived issues.

IWA Learn

Enriching your professional skills

The rapidly changing world in which water specialists like you are working, requires continuous professional development and updating. To support your professional development, the IWA Learn provides guidance and tools on how to develop your career, as well as opportunities for professional learning, training and networking.
IWA Connect Plus
Accessing professionals across sectors and boundaries

Our online collaboration, networking and content platform IWA Connect Plus is the place where you can meet with local and international peers and actively engage with them online. Today, with more than 10,000 registered members, it embodies the thriving IWA community worldwide.

Your IWA membership comes with unlimited access to IWA Connect Plus. You can profile yourself to other professionals and companies, access global water knowledge and engage with a vast network of leading water professionals, practitioners and experts. IWA Connect Plus helps you exchange ideas and stay informed about research, best practices, new technologies and policy and regulation within the water sector.

IWA Membership packages

IWA adapts its membership offering to your personal circumstances by providing three membership packages: Individual, Student and Retired. Memberships can be taken up for 1 year or 2 years, and are valid from the day of activation or renewing.

IWA operates a country classification for its membership fees. Please consult the IWA Country Classification table on iwaconnectplus.org to ascertain the status of your country of residence.

How to become an IWA Member

Visit our digital platform at iwaconnectplus.org and click on “Join now”. You will be re-directed to our membership portal where you will be able to purchase your preferred membership package.

Your Individual Membership includes:

- Full access to IWA Connect Plus including unlimited profile search
- Participation in IWA Specialist Groups
- Free access to IWA’s magazine The Source (print and online)
- Full access to IWA Learn
- Discounts on IWA Events’ delegate tickets
- Discounts on IWA Publishing books and pay-per-view articles
- Automatic enrollment to Young Water Professional Groups for members up to age 35.

For more information on the IWA memberships, visit www.iwa-network.org or contact the IWA Membership Team by email members@iwahq.org or call +44 20 7654 5500 (Mon-Fri, 09:00-17:00).

We look forward to welcoming you as an IWA Member!

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