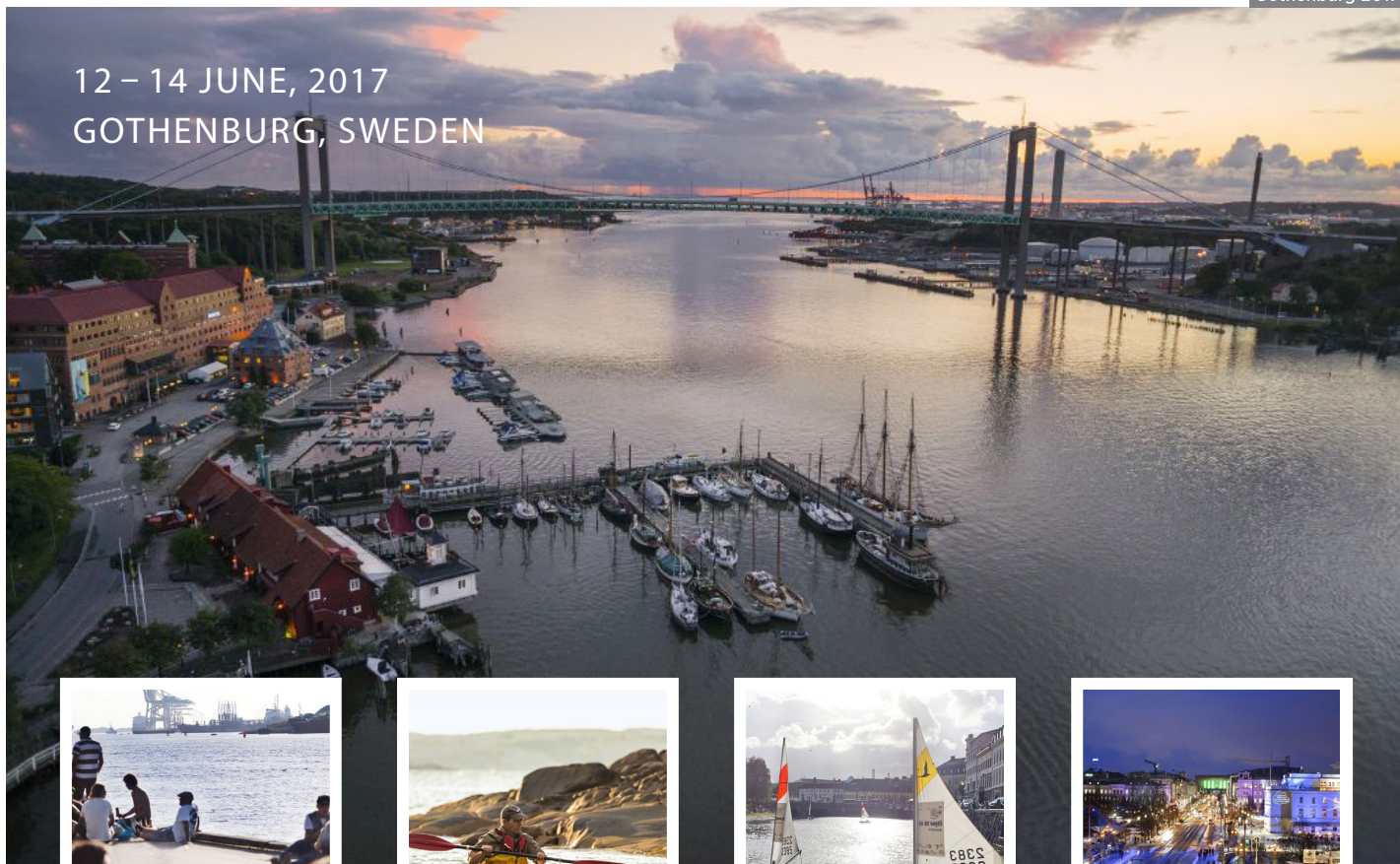


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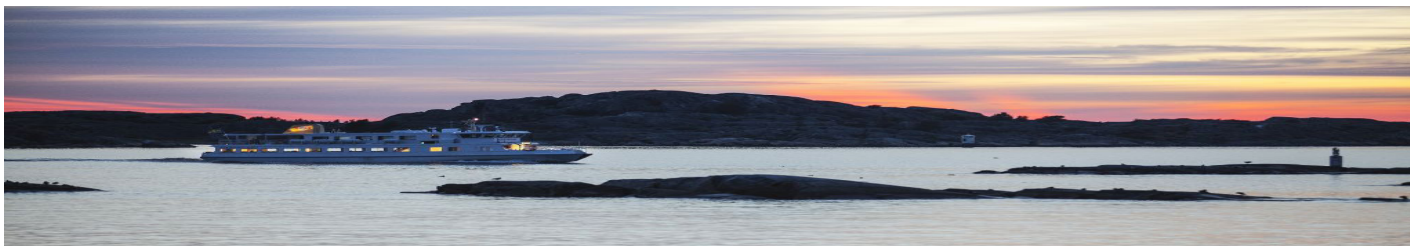
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The beautiful and vibrant city of Gothenburg is expecting 150 000 new inhabitants the next 20 years. New apartments, working places and service facilities will be built. The city is at the same time vulnerable, situated on the North Sea coast and passed by the biggest river in Sweden. Water has since the founding of the city 400 years ago played a most important role for the city planning, and will do so also in the future.

The conference Embrace the Water aims at gathering urban planners and water professionals from around the globe in order to share experiences and projects on the opportunities and threats of water in modern, sustainable and innovative cities. The conference contributes to celebrating the Gothenburg 400 year's jubilee, and to the IWA Cities of the Future programme.

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"Welcome to the beautiful and vibrant city of Gothenburg! With its scenic but exposed location, this city embraces its water in striving to become the best place in the world when it rains!"

Ann-Sofie Hermansson, Mayor of Gothenburg

Conference outline and topic

Water is a great quality in cities, making them attractive. Water strongly influences how we can and should develop the cities. Urban planning can enable more sustainable water management. As cities are facing unprecedented demands and challenges, such as uncertainty in the provision of safe water; needs for improving living conditions; ensuring safety from floods related to climate change and natural disasters; and raising awareness for action so that local communities do not use water in a non-sustainable way; water professionals and urban planners need more than ever to share their knowledge to develop the most sustainable solutions, fostering synergies between water, energy, waste, food, and achieving liveability outcomes for the city.

Traditional planning and management paradigms have become obsolete. Sustainable, regenerative, risk resilient and efficient management of water in cities is driving urban professionals towards thinking different solutions, which often require cross sectoral integration. The conference Embrace the Water will be an interdisciplinary arena for sharing the possibilities and the vision emerging from the paradigm shift in resources management. Save the date to come and join us to learn and share on "sustainable urban water" planning and design at different scales.

The four overarching themes for the conference are:

- Water in urban planning for enhanced livability and citizens' wellbeing
- Planning under uncertainty, adapting to climate change, enhancing cities resilience to flooding and water scarcity risks
- Regenerative water services for sustainable use and management of water resources
- Transdisciplinary water management engaging the community

Conference venue

Clarion Hotel Post in central Gothenburg. The Hotel is a former Post Office just steps away from Gothenburg Central station.

Organisers

CoG - Sustainable Waste and Water, City of Gothenburg

SP - Technical Research Institute of Sweden

IWA - International Water Association

IFHP - International Federation for Housing and Planning

FFS - Swedish Society for Town and Country Planning

Co-organisers

SWWA - The Swedish Water & Wastewater Association

LTU - Luleå University of Technology

Chalmers – Chalmers University of Technology

Key dates

Call for abstracts	Submission of abstracts	Registration opens	Deadline for full papers
May 2016	November 2016	February 2017	April 2017

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