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FAQ – IWA & Grundfos 'Youth Action for SDG 6' Fellowship

This Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document provides answers to common questions related to the <u>IWA & Grundfos 'Youth Action for SDG 6' Fellowship</u>. In case you don't see your question here, contact the IWA Secretariat at ywp@iwahq.org.

I am below 18 years old, can I apply to the fellowship?

You cannot apply. The fellowship is open for young water professionals between 18 and 35 years of age on the date of the UN 2023 Water Conference (22 to 24 March 2023).

I am over 35 years old, can I apply to the fellowship?

You cannot apply. The fellowship is open for young water professionals between 18 and 35 years of age on the date of the UN 2023 Water Conference (22 to 24 March 2023).

• I am not a member of IWA. Do I need to be a member of IWA to participate in the fellowship?

Yes, you do need to be an IWA member to participate in the Fellowship. To become an IWA member you will need to fill out your information and pay the membership fee. All instructions related to becoming an IWA member are available here.

• I am an IWA Member, can I write my reference letter?

Self-written reference letters will not be accepted in this fellowship.

• I do not know any IWA members. How can I reach out to IWA members?

You can connect and reach out to other IWA members via the <u>IWA Connect</u> platform.

Why do I have to submit a motivation letter?

You need to submit a motivation letter to (a) show evidence of commitment to delivering positive change in the water sector, (b) demonstrate your leadership capacity, (c) demonstrate how you are addressing key local and/or global issues in your current work and (d) show that you have a track record of generating impactful and innovative ideas in the water sector;

My CV is bigger than 2 pages. Can I send it?

We will only accept CVs with a maximum of 2-pages. Application with a CV longer than 2 pages won't be considered.

I am not fluent in English. Can I apply to the fellowship?

The applicants are required to have a working knowledge of English. All discussions and actions will be in English. We will evaluate language fluency during the interviews.

What should I include in the writing sample?

The writing sample should focus on the water topic that the candidate wants to contribute to the publication and cover during the UN Water Conference. The sample will help us to evaluate your



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knowledge about the water sector, your writing skills and your knowledge and command of the English language.

• What should I include in the project proposal?

The project proposal should include (1) title, (2) a brief description about the project (maximum 5 lines), (3) objectives, (4) methodology, and (5) scope.

How can I apply for this fellowship?

Applicants must follow the eligibility criteria stated <u>here</u>. They must prepare all the documents requested in the call, and fill out the online form available <u>here</u>.

• If I want to withdraw from the selection, what should I do?

If you wish to withdraw your application, you will need to contact the IWA Secretariat at ywp@iwahq.org.

• Do I need a VISA to attend the UN 2023 Water Conference in New York (United States)?

We recommend that all applicants check the United States VISA requirements via their local USA Embassy and also to check the online information available here. IWA and Grundfos are not responsible for checking VISA requirements and they cannot guarantee any candidate that their visa application will be successful.

• Do I need a VISA to attend the gathering at the Grundfos HQ, in Denmark?

We recommend that all applicants check the Denmark VISA requirements via their local Danish Embassy and also to check the online information available here. IWA and Grundfos are not responsible for checking VISA requirements and they cannot guarantee any candidate that their visa application will be successful.

• Do I need a VISA to attend the IWA 2023 Water Development Congress in Kigali, Rwanda?

We recommend that all applicants check the Rwanda VISA requirements via their local Rwanda Embassy and also to check the online information available here. IWA and Grundfos are not responsible for checking VISA requirements and they cannot guarantee any candidate that their visa application will be successful.