

*Presenting*

# The UNITED NATIONS WORLD WATER DEVELOPMENT REPORT

*AROUND THE WORLD*



The United Nations World Water Development Report (WWDR) is the **flagship publication of UN-Water on the state of global freshwater resources.**

The UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP) works in collaboration with UN-Water and other prominent institutions to produce the WWDR.

The theme of the World Water Day and the WWDR is aligned.

Thus, the theme of the Report changes every year to highlight different strategic water issues and to provide content basis for discussions taking place throughout the year.

The 2019 edition of the WWDR is dedicated to “Leaving No One Behind”. The pivotal event for its launch is planned for 19 March at the Human Rights Council in Geneva. To improve outreach and to increase public awareness, every year WWAP invites UN agencies, their field offices, UNESCO National Commissions, and local and relevant national partner institutions, to organize informative events structured around the theme of World Water Day with emphasis on the main findings of the WWDR.

WWAP strongly encourages relevant organizations, including those focused on youth, to participate in the dissemination of the Report’s findings. To facilitate the content preparation of such activities, WWAP provides a ‘substance package’ as described under the section ‘Practical Information’.



8<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum, Brasilia, March 2018



European Parliament, May 2018



UNESCO Office in Tashkent, June 2018



Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development, Jakarta, March 2018

# EVENTS in 2018

In 2018, the main launch of the WWDR on “Nature-based Solutions For Water” took place in Brasilia, Brazil, during the eighth **World Water Forum** (March 2018):

[www.unesco.org/new/en/natural-sciences/environment/water/wwap/wwdr/2018-nature-based-solutions/launch-ceremony-wwdr-2018/](http://www.unesco.org/new/en/natural-sciences/environment/water/wwap/wwdr/2018-nature-based-solutions/launch-ceremony-wwdr-2018/)

At the same time, events presenting the Report were held in 25 countries: Belgium (**Brussels**), Belize (**Belmopan**), Botswana (**Gaborone**), Costa Rica (**San Jose**), Cuba (**Havana**), Ethiopia (**Addis Ababa**), France (**Paris**), Gabon (**Libreville**), Germany (**Dresden**), Guatemala (**Panajachel**), India (**New Delhi**), Indonesia (**Jakarta**), Italy (**Parma**, **Rome**, **Venice**), Kazakhstan (**Almaty**), Kenya (**Nairobi**), Kuwait (**Kuwait City**), Nigeria (**Abuja**, **Kaduna**), Norway (**Oslo**), Peru (**Lima**), Poland (**Warsaw**), Sudan (**Karthoum**), Sweden (**Stockholm**), Thailand (**Bangkok**), Uganda (**Kampala**), Uzbekistan (**Tashkent**).

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

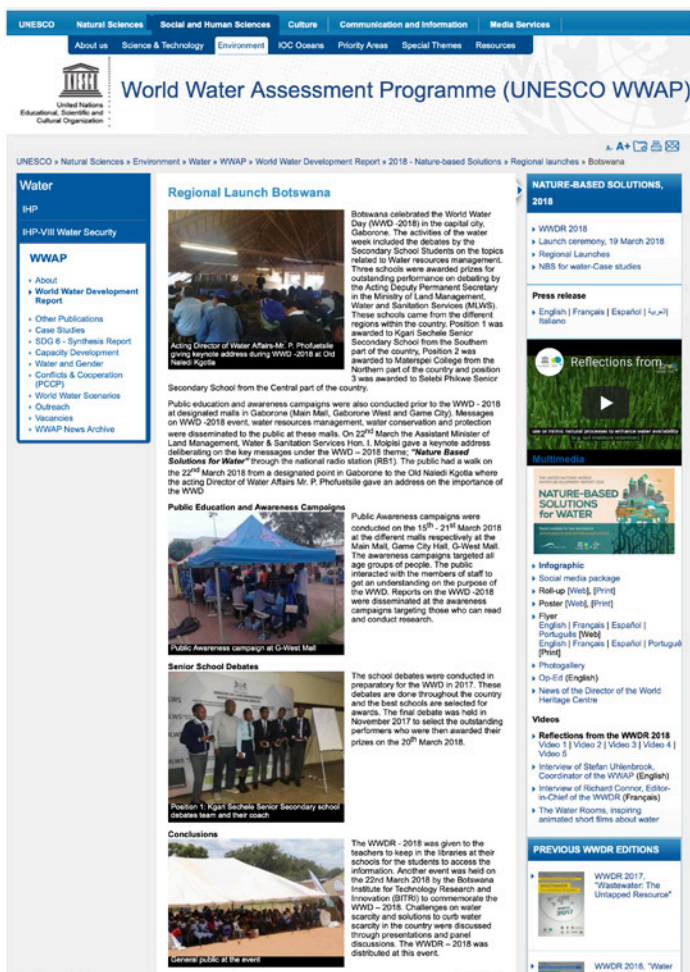
## WWAP announces and promotes these events on its website

The UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme does not provide financial support to the organization of these events. However, it offers a **'substance' package**, containing a PowerPoint presentation with main findings of the Report, copies of the latest WWDR with accompanying Executive Summary (translated into the six UN official languages), USB sticks, facts and figures compilation and a 'press kit' including the press release that could be adapted to local context. A more comprehensive version of this package is also made available on the WWAP website in early March, including various digital promotional materials (e.g. flyer, poster and infographic) that can be printed and used in your event, and videos to be projected and shared through your social media channels.

Example of the 2018 edition: <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/natural-sciences/environment/water/wwap/wwdr/2018-nature-based-solutions/>

WWAP announces and promotes these national/regional events on its website, with succinct information and photos provided by the event organizers: [www.unesco.org/new/en/natural-sciences/environment/water/wwap/wwdr/2018-nature-based-solutions/regional-launches/](http://www.unesco.org/new/en/natural-sciences/environment/water/wwap/wwdr/2018-nature-based-solutions/regional-launches/)

We invite those who are interested in organizing an institutional event to celebrate the World Water Day to contact Ms Simona Gallese ([s.gallese@unesco.org](mailto:s.gallese@unesco.org)) for support.



For further information on World Water Day and poster selection, you may want to visit: [www.worldwaterday.org/](http://www.worldwaterday.org/)