

## **Bringing Solutions for a Sustainable Water Future**

**Convened by the Sustainable Future Water Programme (SWFP), Water Futures and Solutions-IIASA and IWMI**

**Side Event - Budapest Water Summit 2016  
30 November 2016, 9:30-11:00 – Tisza Gallery (Building D)**

The Sustainable Water Future Programme (Water Future) is a global platform facilitating international scientific collaboration to drive solutions to the world's water problems. Research conducted through Water Future will ensure a balance between the needs of humankind and nature, and to offer real solutions underpinned by interdisciplinary science to deliver a 'sustainable water world' and on the targets in the UN's 2030 agenda for sustainable development. The programme brings a unique, systems-level perspective to develop integrated approaches for both diagnosing water-related challenges and crafting innovative solutions.

The side event will introduce the Water Future Programme and key initiatives of the programme and its global partners –IWMI, IIASA, share insights into its development, and open up a space for discussion, comments and feedback.

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**Chair Professor András Szöllősi-Nagy**, Institute of Advanced Studies Kőszeg and National University of Public Service, Hungary, Chair –UNESCO-IHP and Chair of the Planning Committee of Sustainable Water Future Programme

**Introduction - Professor András Szöllősi-Nagy - 5 minutes**

**Introduction of Water Future Programme- Associate Professor Anik Bhaduri, Director of Sustainable Water Future Programme -10 minutes**

**PANEL Discussion: Global Water System Assessment-30 minutes**

Assessing the progress of SDGs needs understanding the complex and interlinked nature of the global water system. The panel will discuss how Sustainable Water Future Programme will contribute in SDG Assessment.

Moderator-Professor Pavel Kabat- Director General and Chief Executive Officer, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

**Introduction- Pavel Kabat- 5 Minutes**

Panelists: **Professor Charles Vorsomarty** (City University of New York), **Dr Yoshihide Wada** (International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis), **Mr Rick Lawford** (Sustainable Water Future

Programme), Professor **Carlo Giupponi** (University of Venice), **Dr Marianela Fader** (International Centre for Water Resources and Global Change (UNESCO), Koblenz).

**PANEL Discussion: Water Solution Labs-30 minutes**

Water Future aims to connect problem identifiers with solution identifiers, knowledge generators and knowledge implementers while focusing on integrated solutions to develop knowledge-to-concrete actions and find solutions through the co-production of knowledge involving scientists and other stakeholders. The panel will discuss how the development of the Water Solutions Lab Network and provide opportunities for discussion and feedback.

**Moderator – Mr Jeremy Bird, Director General, International Water Management Institute**

**Introduction-Mr Jeremy Bird- 5 minutes**

**Panelists: Professor Stuart Bunn** (Griffith University and Sustainable Water Future Programme), **Dr David Wiberg** (International Water Management Institute), **Dr Simon Langan** (International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis), **Dr Tom Soo** ( World Water Council)-TBC, and **Mr Richard McGloughlin-TBC** (Assistant Secretary, Water Resources Dept. of Agriculture & Water Resources, Australia)