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BUDAPEST WATER SUMMIT 2019 DIGITAL AND NATURE-BASED SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS EXPO

**DRAFT PROGRAMME
updated on October 11 2019**

Budapest, 15-17 October 2019

Venue: Millenáris Park, Building B

15 October, Tuesday

16:15 – 16:45 Wetskills Water Challenge

**20:00 - 21:30 Cultural programme hosted by H.E. Mr János Áder, President of Hungary
(by special invitation only)**

16 October, Wednesday

9:30 – 11:00 Inauguration Session

Welcome by Mr Balázs Hendrich, CEO, Hungarian Export Promotion Agency

Presentations of Sponsoring Companies:

Mr György Palkó, CEO, Veolia Energy Hungary Plc

Mr Ferenc Gyöző Barabás, Deputy CEO, Budapest Sewage Works Pte Ltd.

Mr Ferenc Keszler, Chief Executive Officer, Budapest Waterworks Plc

Mr Bálint Horváth, Chief Executive Officer, Pureco Ltd

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Hungarian companies abroad – challenges and opportunities

Moderator: Ms Borbála Czakó, President, Hungarian Business Leaders Forum

Panel members:

Mr Richárd Vattay, Director, Water&Soil

Mr Soma Uliczki, Head of Operations, Hungarian - Colombian Rural Development Non-Profit Ltd

Mr Árpád Bánhegyi, International Director, Szabadics

Mr Bence Fülöp, Chief Executive Officer, Trinity Enviro

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 15:45 Digital and Nature-based Sustainable Solutions

Moderator: Mr András Szöllősi-Nagy, Chair, International Programme and Drafting Committee of the Budapest Water Summit 2019



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Panel members:

- Mr Péter Benedek, Chief Executive Officer, Blockchain Competence Center
Mr Miklós Berzsényi, Chief Executive Officer, Controlsoft Ltd
Mr Márton Bálint, Chief Civil Engineer, Viziterv Environ Ltd
Mr Attila Bodnár, Co-founder, Organica
Mr Ádám Balázs Ferencz, Director of the Hungarian factory, SUEZ Water Technologies

15:45 – 16:45 Financing and sustainable water management

Moderator: Mr Szabó István Attila, Vice CEO, Hungarian Export-Import Bank Plc.

Panel members:

- Ms Wambui Gichuri, Director for Water Development and Sanitation, African Development Bank
Mr David Tyler, Water Sector Specialist, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
Mr Nizar Zaied, Global Lead Water, Islamic Development Bank
Mr Elemér Eszter, President, Hungarian Private Equity and Venture Capital Association

16:45 – 18:00 Preventing water crises – issues of abundant, scarce and polluted waters

Moderator: Mr János Tamás, Head of Department of Water and Environmental Management, University of Debrecen

Panel members:

- Mr Gergely Hankó, Managing Director, Association of Environmental Enterprises, Hungary
Mr Csaba Ilcsik, Chief Executive Officer, WaterScope International Inc.
Mr Attila Törő, Creatiger Ltd
Mr József Veres, Head of Department, Upper-Tisza-District Water Directorate, Hungary
Mr Adrián Kiss, Chief Executive Officer, Hungarian Water Technology Corporation

18:30 – 21:00 Cultural programme

17 October, Thursday

9:30 – 11:00 Hungarian companies abroad II – challenges and opportunities

Moderator: Mr István Kenyeres, Founder and Chief Technology Officer, Biopolus

Panel members:

- Mr Pál Kiss, Managing Director, Thermowatt Ltd
Ms Csilla Kopornyik, Business Development Manager, Tradeland Ltd
Mr Balázs Varga, Export Sales Director, Pureco Ltd
Mr Antal Serfőző, Chief Executive Officer, Geogold Ltd



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11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 The potential role of youth in solving water crises

Moderator: Ms Monika Weber-Fahr, Executive Secretary, Global Water Partnership

Panel members:

Ms Sarah Dousse, International Secretariat for Water – Solidarity Water Europe

Mr Tibor Bíró, Dean, Faculty of Water Sciences, National University of Public Services, Hungary

Mr Péter Szűcs, Dean, Faculty of Earth Science and Engineering, University of Miskolc, Hungary

Ms Eszter Kun, Winner of Stockholm Junior Water Prize of Hungary

Mr Miklós Patziger, Associate Professor, Budapest University of Technology and Economics

Ms Ildikó Galambos, Director, Soós Ernő Water Technology Research and Development Center, Hungary

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch