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12th Annual Global Water Alliance Conference 2019

March 21, 2019

Huntsman Hall, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

Solving US and Global Water Inequities Sharing solutions from around the world

Conference Objectives

- Provide updates on progress being made toward abolishing inequities in drinking water and sanitation services under United Nations Sustainable Development Goal #6
- Share best practice solutions addressing water/sanitation inequities in both developed and developing countries
- Expand equity thinking & data collection as part of monitoring WASH policies, programs and projects

Program

8:00 am: Registration/Continental Breakfast/Networking

Exhibit opens: As serious as it is solvable: Photos of 16 healthcare facilities illustrate the graphic global absence of WASH and patients at risk by Haik Kocharian/Susan Barnett

8:30 am: Call to Order: Symposium Facilitator

Maria Antonia Andrews Associate Director of Undergraduate Programs, Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Pennsylvania

8:35 am: Welcome to Wharton

Dr. Eric Orts Director, Initiative for Global Environmental Leadership, the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

8:45 am: Keynote Speaker

Eleanor Allen CEO, Water for People

9:15 am: PANEL I - WASH Challenges in the USA: Water System Vulnerabilities in the US and their Similarities/Differences to the Global WASH Crisis

Moderator:

Howard Neukrug Executive Director, The Water Center at Penn, University of Pennsylvania

Panelists:

Zoë Roller Senior Program Manager for An Equitable Water Future, US Water Alliance

Emily Kutil Adjunct Visiting Professor, University of Detroit Mercy; Member, We the People of Detroit & founding member, Detroit Community Research Collective

Mustafa Santiago Ali Vice President of Environmental Justice, Climate & Community Revitalization, National Wildlife Federation; founding member, EPA's Office of Environmental Justice

10:10am: Coffee Break/Networking

10:30 am: PANEL II - Overview & Case Studies of WASH Inequities in the Developing World

Moderator:

Vince Uhl President, Uhl and Associates, Inc.; Board member, Global Water Alliance

Panelists:

Steve Werner Former Executive Director, Water For People. WASH Program & Resource Development Consultant, Werner Consulting

Seung Lee Senior Director, School Health & Nutrition, Save the Children USA

Ashish Daw Senior Hydrogeologist UHL & Associates, Inc.; Firm Lead, SSA Water

11:30 am: PANEL III - Best Practice Solutions to WASH Inequities from the USA and Developing Countries and Their Possible Applications

Moderator:

Dr. Christiaan Morssink President, Global Water Alliance

Panelists:

Nishta Mehta World Bank, Water and Sanitation Specialist

Dr. David Fuente University of South Carolina

12:30 pm: Lunch Keynote Speaker

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Seema Johnson "Women in Water Leader" from the USAID Water Team

1:30 pm: Audience Brainstorming/Report-Outs - Best solutions to abolish inequities: Competition between water professionals and students

Facilitator:

Kelly Bridges Global Water 2020

Judges:

Howard Neukrug Executive Director, The Water Center at Penn

Scott Moore Senior Fellow, The Water Center at Penn; Director of China Programs, Office of the Provost, University of Pennsylvania

Erica DePalma Research Program Coordinator, The Water Center at Penn

2:50 pm: Closing comments and adjournment

Dr. Christiaan Morssink President, Global Water Alliance

3:30 pm: Free transportation from conference to reception at Fairmount Water Works

4:00 pm: Reception at the Fairmount Water Works Education Center

James Leitner of Mission Clean Water describes his 3,250 mile walk across the US
Student posters exhibit on conference theme

7:00 pm: Reception Ends - Free transportation from reception back to conference venue