

# 6<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum: Solutions for Water

March 12 - 17, 2012  
Marseille, France

Call for Applications



## Special points of interest:

- Marseille, France
- 12-17 March 2012
- 140 ministerial delegations
- More than 180 countries represented
- Over 800 speakers & 250 sessions and panels
- Regional Trialogues among Ministers, Parliamentarians and Local/ Regional Authorities.
- High Level Roundtables

## About Marseille

Founded over 2,600 years ago, Marseille is the oldest and second most populated city in France. Situated on the Mediterranean coast, the city enjoys over 300 days of sunshine a year and average springtime temperatures of 19°C.

With a rich and varied history of art, architecture, sculpture, gastronomical creativity, cultural fusion, and stunning beaches and greenery, this cycle friendly city is the perfect location for the 6<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum.

It is highly recommended that participants try to extend their stay in order to explore this truly singular, ancient city.

## About the 6th World Water Forum

Every three years since 1997 the world's leading water experts in policy, industry, academia, civil society, and NGOs have come together at the World Water Forum to share expertise, create new partnerships, and solve global water issues. This year's forum will take place in Marseille, France from 12-17 March, 2012.

The World Water Forum mobilises creativity, innovation, competence and know-how in favour of water. It gathers all stakeholders around today's local, regional and global issues, understanding that solutions must engage all parties.

The goal of the 6<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum is to tackle

global water challenges, mainstream water, develop solutions, and gain firm commitments to implementing them. There will be no sustainable development while the water issues remain unsolved. A core objective of this year's Forum is to guarantee and provide for all people, across the entire globe, the Right to Water (recognised by 189 states at the UN in 2010).

This is our first priority, though in total, our thematic process commission has developed [12 priorities](#) for participants to contribute to,

as well as [3 conditions of success](#). Our regional process commission has also defined priorities and targets for Africa, Americas, Asia Pacific, Europe and 2 cross continental regions.



This year's Forum offers unprecedented opportunities for young academics to participate at all levels. Successful applicants

will benefit from the vast global expertise at the Forum, sharing research ideas and agendas, experience in international negotiations, and exclusive networking opportunities.

## Who and What We're Looking For

The 6<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum is looking to invite advanced Master's and PhD students from around the world to present their solutions-based work and participate as fully engaged members of the Forum. Selected applicants will have the opportunity to work with high

level experts from academia, the public sector, and private industry. They will take part in networking events with other young professionals and water experts from around the world.

Applicants should possess: extensive knowledge of water issues (and be prepared

to discuss solutions at a professional level), international perspective and experience, and an integrated, interdisciplinary outlook. Final selections will be undertaken by a panel of experts with representatives from the Forum, academia, policy, and industry.

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## Application & Deadlines

### Applicants should submit:

300-400 word proposal explaining the potential value of the applicant's contributions to the Forum. This should explain how their solution addresses one or more of the Forum's thematic priorities.

An updated CV.

Completed application form.

If the applicant wishes to present their work, the title and abstract should also be submitted.

**Please save all uploaded documents as .pdf files.**

### Important Dates:

**Jan 15, 2012** - Application Deadline

**Feb 15, 2012** - Register in full online at [www.worldwaterforum6.org](http://www.worldwaterforum6.org)

**March 12 - 17, 2012** - 6th World Water Forum in Marseille, France

**The deadline for applications is January 15, 2012.**

**Applications should be completed using the [online form](#)**, and all documents should be uploaded as .pdf files.



*"The 6th World Water Forum is proud to offer Emerging Academic Scholarships for each successful applicant!"*

### 6th World Water Forum: Youth Task Force

Please send all questions to:

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## Logistics & Expected Expenses

The 6th World Water Forum is proud to be able to offer Emerging Academic Scholarships for each successful applicant. These funds will be used to help subsidize the cost of food, transportation in Marseille, and transportation to Marseille. The full week's conference fee, normally €500.00, will also be covered by the Forum.

Applicants are directed to the [6th World Water Forum website](#) as well as the [Marseille Tourism Office](#) for further information about staying in Marseille.

Please note that your total costs will be highly dependent on your personal tastes and preferences regarding food and accommodation.

For visas, please request a

letter of invitation to the Forum when registering online. Be sure to leave plenty of time for visas to be granted.

More detailed logistical information will be available shortly, though if you have pressing questions, please contact us!

## More Information Online

### Can't Make it in March?

Even if you are unable to join us in Marseille this March, you can still let your voice be heard by contributing to solutions online! Please visit us at [www.worldwaterforum6.org](http://www.worldwaterforum6.org), [www.wateryouthmovement.org](http://www.wateryouthmovement.org), and [www.solutionsforwater.org](http://www.solutionsforwater.org) to find out how you can participate!

Just interested in spreading the word? Join us on Facebook!

### Questions?

For more about this and previous Fora detailed information is available online at [www.worldwaterforum6.org](http://www.worldwaterforum6.org).

If your query is not answered online, please send all questions to [Marie-Alix Prat](#) (Coordinator of the Youth Task Force) and [Matthew Agarwala](#) (Emerging Academics Leader).

