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Upcoming Events at Bath

12 June 2017: Colloquium - David Baxter

18 - 20 July 2017: [9th IWA Specialist Conference on Efficient Use and Management of Water](#)

20 July 2017: Colloquium - Water in South Africa. From the worst drought in living memory to the largest Acid Mine Drainage problem in the world: Opportunities for research

WISE CDT Industry Day 2017

The WISE CDT held its Industry Day on 17th March, kindly hosted by HR

responsibilities to co-ordinate industrial engagement for the Centre. Young researchers from the CDT presented their work via a series of presentations and an interactive poster exhibition. The event concluded with guided tours of the facilities at HR Wallingford, where flood risk and coastal water management can be explored via physical modelling. Industrial colleagues and stakeholders from about 20 organisations attended, including Thames Water, Amec Foster Wheeler, Arup, Natural England, and Welsh Water. There was considerable interest in the range and quality of projects being showcased, and the standard of presentations and posters was very high. We are hopeful that at least a couple of new collaborations will result, and the students are to be congratulated – they continue to be fantastic ambassadors for the WISE CDT!

[Find further information about the WISE Industry Day.](#)



In April Bath was the place to be for Young Water Professionals!

If you are starting your career in Water, you were most likely at Bath this April as the Water Innovation and Research Centre @ Bath hosted not one, not two but three events bringing together a total of 260 Young Water Professionals. These were the [1st UK Wetskills Water Challenge](#) (30 March - 12th April), the [18th IWA UK Young Water Professionals Conference](#) (10-12th April) and the [13th UK Young Coastal Scientists and Engineers Conference](#) (11-12th April).

Bath successfully hosts first ever UK Wetskills event

the Wetskills Foundation, have successfully organised the first ever UK edition of the Wetskills Water Challenge.

The Wetskills Water Challenge is a pressure-cooker program for students and young professionals from across the world with a passion for water. It aims to promote cross-sectoral collaboration and foster potential new partnerships across Europe, by empowering knowledge and cultural exchange.

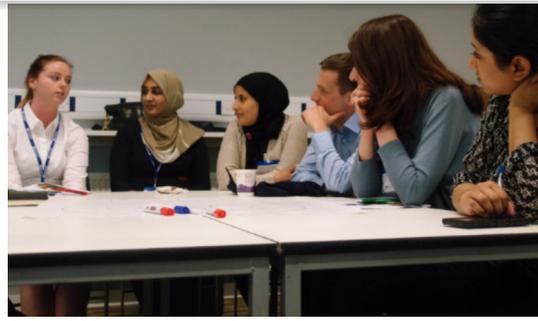
[Read the full article by Chrysoula Papacharalampou.](#)



The Young Water Professionals conference: made by YWPs for YWPs!

The Water Sector recognised some years ago that it was ageing and that it needed fresh talent if it was going to solve the important challenges looming ahead. With this in mind, the International Water Association (IWA), the largest international network of water professionals with members in 130 countries, began to actively push for higher visibility and empowerment of Young Water Professionals (YWP). The UK YWP Chapter is one of the strongest in the world. Its annual conference is one of the largest gatherings of YWPs and is unique in the UK for offering a tailored conference for professionals emerging in the water industry. The conference, now in its 18th year, has been growing sustainably ever since its inception in 1999 and this year attracted a record of almost 200 participants to think about how to achieve the vision of “A Water World without Boundaries”.

[Read the full article by Ana Lanham and Marta Coma.](#)



The Future of UK Coastal Research

The [13th UK Young Coastal Scientists and Engineers Conference \(YCSEC\)](#) was held at Bath on 11-12th April as part of the University's 50th Anniversary celebrations organised by the Water, Environment and Infrastructure Resilience (WEIR) research group and WIRC @ Bath. The goal of the conference is to provide a unique opportunity for leading young coastal scientists and engineers working in academia and industry throughout the UK to present their work and network with their peers. Building on the success of previous conferences, the 13th YCSEC brought over 60 early career researchers and practitioners from more than 30 UK and overseas universities, research institutes and companies together for two days of fascinating presentations and exciting discussions.

[Read the full article by Chris Blenkinsopp.](#)



Spring Workshops: Olivia Bailey

This spring Olivia Bailey, a WISE CDT PhD Researcher, attended the British Water sewerage infrastructure off-mains workshops and the European Water Innovation Lab (WIL) in the Netherlands.

[Read the full account by Olivia Bailey.](#)

This May Benedek Plosz and our PhD students attended the 10th IWA International Conference on Biofilm Reactors 2017.

[Read the full account by Benedek Plosz.](#)

AMP6: Dealing with phosphorus removal

Ana Lanham was recently interviewed for the portal UK Construction Online discussing phosphorus removal technologies and the AMP6 programme.

[Read the full article on UK Construction Online portal.](#)

Upcoming Conferences

29 May - 2 June 2017: Florianopolis, Brazil, [LET 2017- The 14th IWA Leading Edge Conference on Water and Wastewater Technologies](#)

3 - 5 July 2017: Ottawa, Canada, [International Conference on Water, Informatics, Sustainability and Environment: iWISE 2017](#)

5 - 9 August 2017: New York, USA, [IWA Resource Recovery Conference](#)

You can find all IWA events on their [website](#).



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