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Upcoming Events at Bath

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](#)

21 September 2017: Colloquium talk by [Professor Carolyn Roberts](#)

New Appointments

WIRC @ Bath is pleased to announce the appointment of two new staff members. Michael Norton MBE and Professor Kees van Leeuwen will be

Michael Norton MBE has over 40 years of professional experience in the fields of water resources, urban water and the environment. His current projects include specialist technical advice to the Inter American Development Bank and International Financing Corporation relation to major wastewater treatment plants in Panama and Serbia and a master plan for urban drainage for the city of Montevideo in Uruguay.



Professor Kees van Leeuwen is Principal Scientist at KWR Watercycle Research Institute and holds a Chair at the Copernicus Institute (University of Utrecht, the Netherlands) on water management and urban development. His fields of expertise are ecology, toxicology, risk assessment, chemicals, pesticides, animal alternatives (intelligent testing strategies) and urban water management.

WISE CDT Update

Experimental Work in University College London

WISE CDT student Ioanna Stamataki recently spent six weeks in University College London (UCL) undertaking her experimental work. [Read the full account by Ioanna Stamataki.](#)

International Conference on Sustainable Solid Waste Water Management

At the end of June WISE CDT student Ioannis Markidis attended the 5th International Conference on Sustainable Solid Waste Management in Athens, Greece. [Read the full account by Ioannis Markidis.](#)

New WISE CDT PhD Students

We are delighted to welcome the following four new PhD students who are

- Dolores Gonzales
- Gwyn Hennessey
- Levke Ortlieb
- Jack Waterhouse

[Read more about the students, their research topics and supervisors.](#)

WISE CDT Summer School

The third WISE CDT Summer School was held on 19-23rd June 2017 at the Vale Resort Hotel in South Glamorgan near Cardiff. Students from the four universities had fun and listened to high profile speakers from the Water Industry and Academia. [Read the full account by Tom Arnot.](#)

GW4 Water Security Alliance

The [GW4 Water Security Alliance](#) brings together academics from four GW4 universities - Cardiff, Bristol, Exeter and Bath.



From Cardiff, the [Water Research Institute](#) is contributing with research focussed on catchment management and ecosystems, water resilience, and efficiency and governance in the human water cycle. The [Bristol Water Initiative](#) contributes by world-leading hydrology research in relation to chemical and ecological functions of water. From Exeter, the [Centre for Water Systems](#) with a strong focus on urban water management and is part of the team. And in Bath, WIRC is a member.

The Water Security Alliance (WSA) brings together over 160 academics in water research. Together with a strong relationship with other public and private stakeholders, we bring together the largest research community in water in the UK. The WSA has received a GW4 Accelerator Grant, for further sustaining the alliance.

Currently we are preparing a series of themed workshops in September and October:

- End Sept – Bath – Challenging and emerging substances in waters
- Early Oct – Bristol – Water modelling at the interface between disciplines

Dates and venues will be announced. For more information contact [Jan Hofman](#)

German Water Chemistry Society Meeting

At the end of May Jannis Wenk represented WIRC @ Bath at the 83rd Meeting of the German Water Chemistry Society. [Read the full account by Jannis Wenk.](#)

Upcoming Conferences

10 - 15 September 2017: Prague, Czech Republic, [IWA/IWHR International Conference on Urban Drainage](#)

13 - 16 November 2017: Buenos Aires, Argentina, [IWA Water and Development Congress & Exhibition 2017](#)

10 - 13 December 2017: Cape Town, South Africa, [International Young Water Professionals Conference](#)

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



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