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International water experts discuss how AI is reshaping the water industry

BLUE PLANET Berlin Water Dialogues digital conference 2022

Berlin, 20 September 2022 – "Artificial Intelligence: Reshaping the Water Industry" is the theme of this year's BLUE PLANET Berlin Water Dialogues on 22 November 2022. Following two successful digital conferences in 2021 with up to 700 international participants, this year's online event is dedicated to the topic of artificial intelligence (AI) in the intersection of policy, research, and application. The internationally oriented event format is supported by the Export Initiative Environmental Protection – GreenTech "Made in Germany" of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection (BMUV) and the Berlin Senate Department for Economics, Energy and Public Enterprises (SenWeb).

BLUE PLANET Berlin Water Dialogues is *the* global networking platform connecting international stakeholders from research, business, and politics in the field of innovative water management. The digital event format provides a forum to discuss approaches for future-oriented and sustainable water resource management in view of the growing global challenges posed by climate change. This year's edition on 22 November will therefore focus on the potentials and challenges of applying AI in the water sector. In addition, international best practice examples from the industry will be highlighted.

Flood events are the natural disasters that affect the most people globally — due to climate change, the number of people affected is increasing dramatically. Sella Nevo, software engineer at the Google Flood Forecasting Initiative, will be the first keynote speaker to present one of the leading Al-based solutions that provides highly accurate flood forecasts and warnings worldwide. Nicolas Zimmer, Chairman of the Board of the Technology Foundation Berlin, will give another keynote addressing the public perspective on the application of Al in the water sector and will discuss public funding of Al projects in the water sector, data governance and the opportunities and challenges of working with private companies.

Conference participants will also gain exciting insights into innovative, international application examples and technologies from Germany, Spain, the USA, the Netherlands, and the UK. Further break-out sessions will encourage in-depth discussions on the topics of data quantity and quality as well as the opportunities and challenges of implementing AI applications in water management.

















The digital event is aimed at an international audience, will be held in English and is free of charge for participants. The preliminary program is available here, and online registration can be found here. Further information is available at www.blueplanetberlin.de and on LinkedIn and Twitter.

About BLUE PLANET Berlin Water Dialogues

With the BLUE PLANET Berlin Water Dialogues, a qualified English-speaking forum for the exchange of knowledge, ideas, concepts and experience between politics, water industry, scientists and non-governmental organisations has developed and established itself in recent years. Here, global challenges are discussed together and German and international competences and approaches to solutions are presented and promoted. The focus is on sustainably promoting synergies in the field of research and development between companies and scientific institutions. In this way, practical innovations, for example in the fields of sustainable development and artificial intelligence, in water management or environmental protection, are to be advanced through resource-efficient technologies. BLUE PLANET Berlin Water Dialogues 2022 is organised by Kompetenzzentrum Wasser Berlin gGmbH and German Water Partnership e.V. together with the Berlin-based consultancies T-Base Consulting GmbH and eclareon GmbH.

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