# NEW YORK CITY WATER WEEK EVENT: THE SDG 6 RESEARCH AND INNOVATION MARATHON RELAY

A WORLD-WIDE MARATHON RELAY OF IDEAS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON SDG-6 ACCELERATION

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## OPENING SESSION | ASRC, NEW YORK | 12:00PM-2:00PM | 20 MARCH 2023

### ABOUT

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals serve as the blueprint for advancing human wellbeing while preserving the environment.

One of the main problems in achieving SDG6 onwater and related SDGs is that although water crosses all aspects of life, it's science, management and understanding has become "sectionalized". To overcome this, there is a need to capture ideas that make water a core aspect of everybody's day-to-day business.

Sectors such as agriculture, health and energy have a major impact on the use and quality of water. Universities can join hands in a dialogue with governmental, civil society and business stakeholders to improve this situation. Together this alliance encompasses a large diversity of perspectives and uses knowledge from a broad set of scientific disciplines.

The topic of the upcoming 2023 World Water Day, which coincides with the UN 2023 Water Conference, will be on "Partnerships"; what better moment is there to increase the awareness of the value of water and explore innovative ways through which this partnership can contribute to further improve this?

#### **HOW IT WORKS**

The international dialogue will be staged as a relay marathon around the planet. Its focus will be on:

•The research and innovations that are needed to improve the five pillars of the SDG 6 acceleration framework. What research is needed to accelerate, for example, the financing of the water sector, its governance, capacity development, its links to environmental stewardship, and more.

The event will start on March 20th at 12:00pm in New York at the ASRC, while broadcast via Zoom, and continue online around the world for a final working session from 11:00am to 1:00pm on March 21st.

- Central Time Zone Hub
- Secondary Time Zone Hub



All participating institutes will be organized in region and time zone groupings. In these groups a central hub will lead the debate. The central group hub passes the debate on to the next central group hub. All sessions will take place in Zoom and are open to participants from the two time zones.

After 9 sessions and 24 hours, there will be a final synthesis session at the Roosevelt House in NY. All outcomes of the debate will be transferred to the main UN event that will start at noon on March 22nd.

#### FURTHER EVENT INFORMATION

https://asrc.gc.cuny.edu/events

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