
YWPK General Assembly & Workshop Minutes

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GA Minutes

1. Welcome by Trine Stausgaard Munk (Rambøll), explanation about why we change the articles and details about the changes.
2. Articles were adopted without objections
3. Voting for funds in case of dissolution
Voting between wateraid, charity water and ingeniører uden grænser. The last was selected.
4. Presentation by Martin titled: "Alternative water supply options-It's not about history, it's about quality". Questions and discussion during the presentation
5. Trine introduced the workshop on identifying the water challenges of tomorrow

Workshop output

1. Workshop format

The participants were gathered in groups to suggest water challenges of tomorrow in a broader perspective, relevant for Denmark and globally. The identified challenges were grouped in tracks and participants chose the challenge group they feel most strongly about and discussed in these new groups about the role of YWP in these challenges.

2. Workshop output

Tracks	Specific challenges	Role of YWP
Water and environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physical water scarcity and water resource management• Meeting the requirements of more stringent water directives- acceptable water quality for different purposes from the consumers' point of view and from the environmental point of view	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Protect groundwater and relevant environments by collecting data (surveillance) and examining them using appropriate models• Impact on decision-makers. In which direction are we moving?• How to use of technology in this scope
Water & climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rising sea levels and coastal flooding• Changing rainfall patterns• Intrusion of sea water into fresh-water aquifers• Resilience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus on discussion about consequences of climate change• Bring knowledge that promotes mitigation, show successful solutions

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Water technology and innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water in relation to energy • Professional know-how and specifically including market pressures and demand vs. sustainability issues • Separation of wastewater and surface water- technologies of the future • All the above in relation to regulations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Push for new technologies • Create a platform between technology development and regulations • Promote opening to innovation
Interdisciplinary management, communication & education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holistic thinking towards sustainability • Loose connections between the different fields • Water management and acceptance issues e.g. for water re-use • Market pressures- cost vs. environmental issues • People's mentality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication and collaboration between different fields • Understanding of the need for a holistic solution • Navigate within these boundaries using discussion platforms • Lobby for the above
Urban water management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing urbanization • Water demand vs. water footprint • Sanitation and safe water supply • Water infrastructure • Water treatment and re-use: perception, legislation, need and economy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring professional complexity together • Improve interdisciplinary connections • Education • Bring new ideas in the field

3. What now?

The 5 tracks identified during the workshop will be the thematic tracks of the 1st YWPDK conference in March. Participants will receive the workshop output and are invited to work in task groups and send an abstract inspired from this discussion at info@ywp.dk