

Call for expressions of interest to host the 26th WaterNet/WARFSA/GWPSA Symposium

The year 2025 marks 26 years that the annual WaterNet/WARFSA/GWPSA Symposia will be held uninterrupted in Eastern and Southern African regions with the ultimate aim of promoting interaction among policymakers, academics, practitioners from water and related sectors, and cooperating partners. The key actors in the water sector have during this annual gathering identified regional issues, gaps and priorities that require further research and support in pursuit of enhancing integrated water resources management in Eastern and Southern Africa. Great emphasis has always been placed on the integration of knowledge, particularly involving scholars from the natural and social sciences.

Countries in the SADC region as well as in Kenya and Uganda rotate in hosting this annual event. In 2024, the 25th WaterNet/WARFSA/GWPSA Symposium will be convened in Maseru, Lesotho, 30 October - 1 November 2024. The National University of Lesotho is the host of the 25th WaterNet/WARFSA/GWPSA Symposium.

WaterNet is therefore, calling for expressions of interest for hosting the 26th WaterNet/WARFSA/GWPSA Symposium in 2025.

Submissions should highlight the following:

Country, city and venue where the symposium will take place (indicate capacity of the proposed venue both conferencing and accommodation);

2. The proposed theme of the Symposium (Though this can be refined later);
3. Organizations which will be part of the Local Organizing Committee;
4. Anticipated organizations which will provide support in cash and in kind;
5. How the event will be marketed locally and internationally;
6. Nature of technical support that will be required from the conveners, i.e. WaterNet, GWPSA and co-conveners.

Expressions of interest submissions from countries that have not hosted the symposium before (i.e. The Comoros, Seychelles, DR Congo and Madagascar) are strongly encouraged.

Kindly submit your expression of interest on or before the 30th June 2024 to the WaterNet Executive Manager, Prof Jean-Marie Kileshye Onema, jmkileshye-onema@waternetonline.org, and copy water-net@waternetonline.org.

For more information on the symposium, please visit the WaterNet website at www.waternetonline.org.



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