Section 16

2021 Calendar of Events

Due to the pandemic, all events are planned in the online format

January

21 January – Conference "New Trends in Foreign Policy of Uzbekistan: State and Prospects of Relations between the CA Countries and Afghanistan", Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies, Tashkent

27 January – Working Meeting "International HydroDiplomacy – in focus: Central Asia", Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) & the EastWest Institute (EWI)

27-28 January – OECD-FAO 7th Meeting of the Roundtable on Financing Agricultural Water

February

2 February – World Wetlands Day

2 February – IFAS Agency and GWP Online Consultation on the Water-Related Disaster Risk Reduction under the COVID-19 Pandemic

- **3 February** UNECE Webinar "Upholding Mekong Cooperation for Present & Future Challenges"
- **4-5 February** Meeting of the Implementation Committee of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes
- **26 February** UNECE and INBO 5th Meeting of the Global Network of Basins Working on Climate Change Adaptation

March

2-3 March – EECCA NWO Conference "Transboundary Water Cooperation in EECCA Countries: Lessons Learnt and Areas for the Future Development"

3 March – World Wildlife Day: "Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet"

3-4 March – International Forum "Towards New Opportunities: Green Recovery of Uzbekistan after the COVID-19 Pandemic", UN, UNDP, EU, UNECE, Government of Uzbekistan

3-4 March – International Conference "Improving Knowledge Exchange on Water Issues in Central Asia" under the Central Asian Knowledge Network funded by the Central Asia Water and Energy Program (CAWEP)

10 March – IFAS Agency and NWP of Uzbekistan Roundtable "Towards the IWRM Strategy in the Republic of Uzbekistan"

11-12 March – International Scientific-Practical Conference "Water Resources Management in the Conditions of Globalization" dedicated to the 105th anniversary of Professor L.Ye. Tazhibaev

14 March – International Day of Action for Rivers

21 March – International Day of Forests: "Forest restoration: a path to recovery and wellbeing" 22 March – World Water Day: "Valuing Water"

23 March - World Meteorological Day: "The Ocean, our Climate and Weather"

26 March – Aral Sea Day

29-31 March – UNECE Global Workshop on building climate resilience through improving water management and sanitation at national and transboundary levels

April

- 14-15 April UNECE-WHO/Europe 12th meeting of the Working Group on Water and Health
- 26-28 April Conference "Transboundary Waters and International Relations"
- 29 April "A Conversation on Water: The Past Informing Water Futures". IWRA 50th Anniversary

May

11 May – 80th meeting of ICWC Central Asia

17-20 May – XVI International Scientific-Technical Symposium and Exhibition "Clean Waters of Russia -2021"

22 May – International Day for Biological Diversity: "We're part of the solution"

25 May – Regional Dialogue "Policy and Governance Issues to Transform Food Systems in Europe and Central Asia"

June

5 June – World Environment Day: "Ecosystem Restoration"

🔶 8 June – World Oceans Day: "The Ocean: Life and Livelihoods"

16 June – Conference "Mutual understanding, friendship and openness are the basis for further progress of Uzbek-Tajik cooperation", Institute of Strategic and Interregional Studies at the President of Uzbekistan and the Center for Strategic Studies at the President of Tajikistan

16 June – Session "Nexus, Digitalization and Human Capital for a Green-Deal in Transboundary Waters" as part of the European Development Days

• **17 June** – Desertification and Drought Day: "We build back better with healthy land"

21 June – International Scientific-Practical Conference "Land Reclamation and Desertification" LRAD 2021

🔎 21 June-2 July – Singapore International Water Week

21-25 June – 8th World Congress on Conservation Agriculture, Bern, Switzerland

28-30 June – 24th Session of the IHP Intergovernmental Council, UNESCO

29-30 June – 3rd Regional Conference "Education and Knowledge on Climate Change in Europe and Central Asia"

• **29 June** – Meeting of the Board of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea, Dushanbe

• **30 June** – 11th Asia-Pacific Water Forum: Groundwater: Making the Invisible Visible

July

- 1 July High-Level Dialogue "European Union Central Asia"
- **1-2 July** 5^{th} Eurasian Business-Forum for Renewable Energy and Waste Recycling, Astana, Kazakhstan
- **1-3 July** International Scientific-Practical Conference "Global Challenges for Food Security: Risks and Opportunities"
- 6-15 July High-Level Political Forum 2021 on Sustainable Development
- 7-9 July 71st Meeting of the Compliance Committee to the Aarhus Convention
- 29 July Earth Overshoot Day

August

- 12 August Day of the Caspian Sea
- 23-27 August SIWI World Water Week
- **24 August** LCOY Kyrgyzstan 2021 Youth Conference on Climate Change, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
- **25 August** International Conference of Agricultural Economists, Sri Lanka

September

- 3-11 September IUCN World Conservation Congress, Marseilles, France
- **19 September** World Cleanup Day
- **21-23 September** 5th Annual Arab Water Forum, UAE
- 22-23 September International Conference Seymartec Ecology 2021, Chelyabinsk, Russia
- 27-29 September Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystems (WEFE) Nexus Science Advances Conference
- **29 September-1 October** 9th Session of the Meeting of the Parties to the UNECE Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses
- **29 September-2 October** 2nd International and 15th National Congress on Agricultural Structures and Irrigation, Turkey

October

6-8 October – Accadueo-H2O 2021 – International Water Exhibition Technologies, Treatment, Distribution, Sustainability, Bologna, Italy

12-14 October - International specialized exhibition GETCA 2021, Tashkent

12-15 October – International specialized exhibition Water & Air Technologies 2021, Minsk, Belarus

15 October – International Day of Rural Women

18-19 October – 18th Session of the Joint Task Force on Environmental Statistics and Indicators

18-21 October – 72nd Meeting of the Compliance Committee to the Aarhus Convention

18-23 October - World Water Congress and Exhibition of IWA

19-20 October – Central Asian Regional Preparatory Conference for the 9th World Water Forum "Water Security for Peace and Development", Dushanbe, Tajikistan

19-21 October – International Exhibition SMAGUA 2021, Saragossa, Spain

24 October – 2021 Cairo Water Week

27-30 October – 13th International Conference on Irrigation and Drainage, Sacramento, California

31 October-12 November – 12 November – XXVI Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP26), Glasgow, Scotland

November

3-5 November – 27th Session of the Committee on Environmental Policy, Geneva, Switzerland

23-26 November – Forum "Strategic Directions of Central Asia Development: History, Trends and Prospects", Yekaterinburg, Russia

24-26 November – European Forum for Disaster Risk Reduction, Matosinhos, Portugal

24-30 November – 72nd meeting of the ICID International Executive Committee

29 November-3 December - IWRA's XVII World Water Congress

November – International Conference "Aral Sea Region – the Zone of Ecological Innovations and Technologies"

December

8-10 December – 19th International Conference of the Europe-INBO

11 December – International Mountain Day