

# Wetskills-Israel 2013



Join the Wetskills Water Challenge in Israel and meet one of the Dutch ministers during their visit to Israel (Nov/Dec 2013)?

**The Wetskills organization invites Bachelor, Master, PhD students and fresh graduates to apply for a new Wetskills event in Israel. Apply for this unique opportunity to participate in Wetskills Water Challenge!**

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The students will work in mixed and multidisciplinary teams of four to develop concepts to the case studies, provided by the water sector during an extensive two-week program at **GWRI, Technion-IIT in Haifa, Israel** (26th Nov–10th Dec).

The program will start with a team building trip of 2-3 days, in order to get familiar with each other and will be followed by field trips to water-related and cultural sites later. An intensive period will follow, that will combine work on the assigned case study. Dutch and Israeli supervisors will guide you during the week and facilitate your group to find your own solution. Finally, the groups will present their case studies during a central presentation event at the Water event of the *Wittenburg Council* in Israel (8th December). The awarding will be held in the presence of one or more Dutch ministers.

## Who can apply?

Any Bachelor (final stage), Master, PhD students and fresh graduates from Dutch and Master and PhD students from Israeli universities/organizations with passion for water and intercultural teamwork may apply.

**Apply before 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2013**

## Selection criteria

Quality of motivation letter, quality of CV, recommendation by your course/program manager or thesis advisor. The Wetskills organization will make a final selection.

## How can I apply?

Send your motivation letter, CV and recommendation letter to the Wetskills organization.

## What are the costs?

The costs for the program are 500 euro, including accommodation, some lunches & dinners, coffee breaks, field trips, workshops, entrance fees, working locations. Participants are responsible for their own travel expenses (plane tickets, local travel), part of the meals and all other personal costs. The costs for students without accommodation is 250 euro. (Note: The Wetskills organization is striving to find possibilities to keep the costs to the participants at a minimum.)

## What do I get?

You will increase your skills on: international cooperation, cross-cultural and interdisciplinary team work, networking and presenting (Pitch & Poster). It provides a good opportunity to get contact with other international water students from various universities and water research institutions. You will learn more about the Dutch and Israeli water sectors, their organisations, water industries and collaboration. After completion of the program you will get an certificate of participation.

**More information:** Johan Oost MSc. at [johan.oost@wetskills.com](mailto:johan.oost@wetskills.com) (for Dutch participants) or Prof. Avi Shaviv GWRI-(Technion) at [gwritm@tx.technion.ac.il](mailto:gwritm@tx.technion.ac.il) (for Israeli participants). You can also ask one of the Wetskills Alumni Participants.

The Wetskills program has organized nine Challenges since 2010! Wetskills Water Challenges were held during the World Expo 2010 in **China**, the 400-year economic relations in **Morocco** (2010), the International Water Week in **The Netherlands** (2011), the Delta Summit in **Indonesia** (2011), the Royal visit of the Dutch Queen in **Oman** (2012), the WISA conference in **South Africa** (2012), the bilateral meeting of Egyptian and Dutch experts in **Egypt** (2012), the ExpoApa conference in **Romania** (2013) and the launch of PLAMA, a water platform in **Mozambique** (2013). 180 participants from more than 40 international universities and other organizations joined one of the nine Wetskills Water Challenges. Next Wetskills Water Challenge will be held in The Netherlands in October/November 2013.



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## WETSKILLS ISRAEL 2013 - Preliminary programme

Date	Meals	Time	Activity	Location
			<b>Kick-off meetings</b>	
<b>12/15 Nov</b>			Kick-off meeting in Israel	
<b>14 Nov</b>			Kick-off meeting in The Netherlands	NWP, The Hague
<b>26 Nov</b>			<b>Arrival</b>	
<b>TU</b>	Morning	Morning		
	Lunch	Afternoon	Arrival Dutch students	
	dinner	Evening	Welcome Dinner with Dutch students	Tel Aviv
<b>27 Nov</b>			<b>Teambuilding</b>	
<b>WE</b>	Morning	Morning	Dead sea trip	
	Lunch	Afternoon	To Jerusalem	
	dinner	Evening		
<b>28 Nov</b>			<b>Teambuilding in Jerusalem</b>	Jerusalem
<b>TH</b>	Morning	Morning	City visit, Wailing Wall	
	Lunch	Afternoon 18:00	To Haifa	
	Dinner at GWRI	Evening 19:00	Welcome drinks + Dinner with all students	GWRI Building
<b>29 Nov</b>			<b>Professional tour</b>	Haifa
<b>FR</b>	Morning	Morning 8:30	Mekorot- National Water Carrier Project (SAPIR+ESHKOLE SITES)	(Tour Bus)
	Lunch	Afternoon	Sea of Galilee Church of the Beatitudes	
	dinner	Evening	Free time	
<b>30 Nov</b>			<b>Sabbath</b>	Haifa
<b>SA</b>	Morning	Morning 9:00	Acre tour	(Tour Bus)
	Lunch	Afternoon	Haifa city tour	(Tour Bus)
	dinner	Evening	Free time	
<b>1 Dec</b>			<b>Working day 1</b>	Working room
<b>SU</b>	Morning	Morning 9:00-10:00	Opening event Prof. Oded Shmueli, Executive Vice President for Research: welcoming greetings Johan Oost, Coordinator Wetskills program: Introducing Wetskills program. Prof. Avi Shaviv, GWRI Head: Introducing Israel & Middle East water problems  Case Study sponsors Start working days, training Pitch & Poster	GWRI Building
	Lunch	Afternoon 15:00-16:00	Coler-California Visitors Center - Technion	
	dinner	Evening		
<b>2 Dec</b>			<b>Working day 2 – Future Leaders Event</b>	Working room



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<b>MO</b>	Morning	Morning 8:30-11:00	Presentations of experts: Presentation of water research projects by 5 GWRI faculty members  Speed date sessions	GWRI Building
	Lunch	Afternoon	Brainstorm session	
	dinner	Evening	Deadline for Plan of Action (PoA) Study Case	
<b>3 Dec</b>			<b>Working day 3</b>	Working room
<b>TU</b>	Morning	Morning 8:30	Discussion per group about PoA	
	Lunch	Afternoon	Working at study case	
	dinner	Evening	Free time	
<b>4 Dec</b>			<b>Working day 4</b>	Working room
<b>WE</b>	Morning	Morning 8:30	Working at study case	
	Lunch	Afternoon	Working at study case	
	dinner	Evening	Free time	
<b>5 Dec</b>			<b>Working day 5</b>	Working room
<b>TH</b>	Morning	Morning 8:30	Pre-presentations, some Dutch and Israeli experts	
	Lunch	Afternoon		
	dinner	Evening	Celebration 'Sinterklaas' (Dutch traditional celebration)	GWRI Building
<b>6 Dec</b>			<b>Working day 6</b>	Working room
<b>FR</b>	Morning	Morning 8:30	Deadline: Final posters	
	Lunch	Afternoon		
	dinner	Evening	Free time	
<b>7 Dec</b>			<b>Sabbath Free day</b>	
<b>SA</b>	Morning	Morning		
	Lunch	Afternoon		
	dinner	Evening		
<b>8 Dec</b>			<b>Presentations</b>	Tel Aviv (Tour Bus)
<b>SU</b>	Morning	Morning		
	Lunch	Afternoon	Awarding	
	dinner	Evening	Diner	
<b>9 Dec</b>			<b>Presentations</b>	Haifa
<b>MO</b>	Morning	Morning 10:30-12:30	Presentations at large forum – International students + Water students Prof. Arnon Bentur, Executive Vice President & Director General & Head of the International School.	GWRI Building
	Lunch 13:00	Afternoon	Farewell Lunch with all students	GWRI Building
	dinner	Evening	Departure Dutch students	
<b>End of programme</b>				