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MINISTRY OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENT

## **UGANDA WATER AND ENVIRONMENT WEEK (UWEWK) 2026**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

# **PROGRAMME**







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### Overview

The Uganda Water and Environment Week (UWEWK) is an event that provides an interface among sector actors and other stakeholders for knowledge exchange and dialogue on pertinent water and environment resources issues in Uganda. UWEWK 2026 borrows from successes and lessons from the last UWEWKs namely **UWEWK 2018, UWEWK 2019, UWEWK 2020, UWEWK 2021, UWEWK 2022, UWEWK 2023, UWEWK 2024 and UWEWK 2025**. UWEWK 2026 is organized under the theme: *"Water and Environment for an inclusive and prosperous Uganda."*

The theme is discussed along four sub themes upon which papers, dialogues, side events and applied trainings are organized. The subthemes are a) *Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy*, b) *Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development*, c) *Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities*, and d) *Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services*.

The organization of UWEWK involves a number of activities that are undertaken before the actual event, during the event, and after the event. The pre-event activities are carried out in various parts of Uganda, through the 6 regional centers of the Ministry of Water and Environment. This is aimed at giving an opportunity to all stakeholders and the communities in the country to contribute to water and environment resources conservation and protection and to raise awareness about the need to sustainably manage and develop these resources for climate resilient development.

### Key Pre - Event Activities

1. 540KM Walk for Water, Environment and Climate Change from Moroto district through districts of Katakwi, Soroti, Iganga, Jinja, Mukono and Kampala to the Ministry of Water and Environment Headquarters in Kampala. The walk started on 2<sup>nd</sup> March and ended on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026.
2. UWEWK regional activities in 6 regional centers of MWE from 7<sup>th</sup> March to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026
3. Regional Youth Debates in 6 regional centers of MWE (Mbarara, Lira, Mbale, Fortportal, Moroto and Kampala) from 7<sup>th</sup> March to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026
4. Swimming Gala at Green Hill Academy on 21<sup>th</sup> March 2026
6. Clean up exercise in Luzira and Nakawa on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026 by MWE management and staff and other stakeholders
7. Prayers for UWEWK by churches under the Uganda Joint Christian Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

## Key Event Activities

- a) **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 (09:00am to 1:00pm):** Opening ceremony and dialogue on **Water and Environment for an inclusive and prosperous Uganda** (**NBS TV, Zoom and YouTube**)
- b) **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 (2:30pm to 5pm):** Outcomes of the UWEWK mini events in the 6 regional centers of MWE
- c) **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** Side events related to the theme and sub themes (**Physical and Zoom**)
- d) **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (09am to 11am):** Dialogue on Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy. (**Physical and Zoom**)
- e) **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026:** Applied trainings related to the theme and sub themes (**Physical and Zoom**)
- f) **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (09am to 11am):** Dialogue on Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development (**Physical and Zoom**)
- g) **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (09am to 11am):** Dialogue on Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities (**Physical and Zoom**)
- h) **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March:** Field visits in line with the theme and sub themes (**Physical and Zoom**)
- i) **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (09am to 11am):** Dialogue on Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services (**Physical and Zoom**)
- j) **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (2pm to 5pm):** Commemoration of the international days and UWEWK 2026 Closing ceremony (**UBC TV**)

*For more details please refer to the Program below.*

# UWEWK 2026

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The Ministry of Water and Environment (MWE) in collaboration with key partners has so far held **Eight (8)** annual Uganda Water and Environment Week (UWEWKs) (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025). These events have attracted high-level political participation including the Vice President, the Prime Minister, Ministers, Members of Parliament of the Republic of Uganda, Local Governments, Cultural and Religious Institutions, and other stakeholders both nationally and internationally. In addition, UWEWK offers a platform for the sector professionals, private sector, CSOs and academic communities to present papers, exchange knowledge, and build partnerships, collaborations and networks.

The Ninth Uganda Water and Environment Week (UWEWK2026) will be held from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026. The event will also involve commemoration of annual three sector International Days: International Forest Day (March 21<sup>st</sup>, March), World Water Day (March 22<sup>nd</sup>) and World Meteorological Day (March 23<sup>rd</sup>).

UWEWK2026 will give special focus to the outcomes and recommendations of UWEWK2025, and key water, environment and climate change related events held since UWEWK2025. The key water, environment and climate change related events that will be considered include among others the SDG Summit 2025, World Biodiversity Summit, Regional Nile Day and Climate Change Conference of Parties (COP30) held in Brazil.

The overall goal of UWEWK2026 is to demonstrate the role of water and environment resources in achieving Uganda's tenfold growth strategy and aligning the sector implementation objectives with Africa Agenda 2063 and other global frameworks.

The overall theme of UWEWK 2026 is ***"Water and Environment for an inclusive and prosperous Uganda"***

Under the major theme, there are 4 sub-themes that will elaborate further on the role of water and environment resources for an inclusive and prosperous Uganda.

### Sub theme 1: Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy

This sub theme will focus on how water and environment resources development and management as well as climate change mitigation and adaptation can support achievement of Uganda's tenfold economic growth through ATMS: i) Agro-Industrial Development; ii) Tourism Development; iii) Mineral-based Development plus Oil and Gas (petrochemical industry); and iv) Science, Technology, ICT and Innovation. The sub theme will further explore how high-impact growth areas for water and environment resources can propel a double-digit growth over the NDPIV period and subsequently contribute to 10-fold growth of the economy over the 15 years leading up to 2040.

## **Sub theme 2: Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development**

This sub theme will focus on how Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) especially digital solutions can transform management and development of water and environment resources and adapting to and mitigating impacts of climate change while ensuring inclusive and prosperous growth. It will further explore how to strengthen individuals, organizations and institutions to innovate, use science technology and innovation. It will further explore use of spatial data and remote sensing as innovative solutions in the management of the water and environment resources. It will also explore the benefits for investment in early warning systems as tools to mitigate floods and droughts in the country.

## **Sub theme 3: Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities**

This sub theme will explore approaches to ensure that environmentally sustainable and inclusive principles are at the forefront of climate resilience planning, policies and financial instruments, human health and productivity for economic growth. It will also explore the role of healthy ecosystems as essentials for climate-resilient infrastructure, protecting economies from natural disasters and ensuring the long-term availability of resources such as water for economic stability.

## **Sub theme 4: Water and environment innovations, knowledge and capacity for empowering a new generation**

This sub theme will provide insights into opportunities and approaches for engaging women, children and the youth and leveraging on their potential in delivery of water and environment services. It will deepen understandings of the benefits of increasing representation of women and youth and having equal opportunities to participate in water and environment committees and other decision-making bodies at local, national, and global levels. It will provide rationale for strengthening and supporting women-led and youth-led organizations and networks to create platforms for information exchange, policy influence, and cooperative action. It will explore how provision of financial support and investment opportunities can promote women and youth-led enterprises focused on WASH, renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, and climate adaptation among others to leverage fully on the power of women and youth.

## Overall Goal

The overall goal of UWEWK2026 is to demonstrate the role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's tenfold growth strategy and aligning the sector implementation objectives with Africa Agenda 2063 and other global frameworks.

## Objectives

The objectives of UWEWK 2026 are to:

1. Review the status of implementation of the outcomes and recommendations of UWEWK2025, and those of key global, regional and national water, environment and climate change related events
2. Address the specific challenges/ gaps faced by the water and environment sector in delivery of services.
3. Create a platform for discussing innovative solutions to address the challenges faced by the sector in the management and development of the water and environment resources
4. Explore the role of water and environment in contributing to the rapidly expanding Uganda's economy in a transformative, sustainable and inclusive manner with the goal of growing the capacity of the country's economy to a tenfold growth.

# UWEWK 2026

## WELCOMES YOU

### NATIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



**Dr. Callist Tindimugaya**

Commissioner, Water Resources Planning and Regulation  
**Ministry of Water and Environment**  
 CHAIRPERSON, NATIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



**Mr Musota Richard**

Assistant Commissioner Water Resources Planning and Regulation.  
**Ministry of Water and Environment**  
 CHAIRPERSON, TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

### Members of the Organizing Committee

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53	Ms. Andama Caroline	Pearl Bank
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**For more details please refer to the Program below.**

# GUESTS AT UWEWK 2026

OPENING CEREMONY ON 23RD MARCH 2026

TIME 08:30 – 13:00



**Rt. Hon. Robinah Nabbanja**  
Prime Minister of Uganda



**Hon. Sam Cheptoris**  
Minister, Ministry of Water and Environment



**Hon. Aisha Sekindi**  
Minister of State for Water  
Ministry of Water and Environment



**Dr. Alfred Okot Okidi**  
Permanent Secretary, MWE



**Hon. Beatrice Anywar**  
Minister of State for Environment  
Ministry of Water and Environment



**Mr. Calvin Rwomire Armstrong**  
Tooro Kingdom Prime Minister



**Dr. Robin Nandy**  
UNICEF Representative to Uganda



**The Most Rev. Dr. Stephen Kaziimba Mugalu**  
Archbishop of the Church of Uganda

## Key Note Speakers and Panelists

Dialogue session on Monday 23rd March 2026 - **Water and Environment for an inclusive and prosperous Uganda**, Time 11 AM – 1:30 PM

### KEY NOTE SPEAKER



**Mr. Oswald Mulenga Chanda**  
Former Director, Water Development  
and Sanitation,  
African Development Bank



**Hon Birahwa Mukitale  
Stephen Adyeeri**, Member of the  
Executive Board, National  
Planning Authority

### PANELISTS



**Mr. Wilbrod H. Owor**  
Executive Director,  
Uganda Bankers Association



**Ms Namirembe Sandra**  
Youth Representative



**Hon Herbert Ariko**  
Chairman, Natural Resources  
Committee of Parliament of Uganda



**Major General Moses Rwakitarate**  
Head of Strategic Vital Assets,  
Uganda People's Defense Forces



**Mrs Sarah Kagingo**  
Vice Chairperson of the Board of  
Directors at Private Sector  
Foundation Uganda



**Prof Ariho Alex**  
Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  
of African Agribusiness  
Incubators Network

## Key Note Speakers and Panelists

Dialogue session on Tuesday 24th March 2026 - **Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy**, Time 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM.

### KEY NOTE SPEAKER



**Dr Ramathan Ggobi**

Permanent Secretary/Secretary to the Treasury, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

### PANELISTS



**Dr. Silver Mugisha**

Managing Director

National Water and Sewerage Cooperation



**Assoc. Prof. Ibrahim Mike Okumu**

Makerere University



**Ms. Angela Basiima Tusiime**

Youth



**Mr Julius Kakeeto**

Managing Director,  
Pearl Bank



**Mr Philip OYAMO**

Principal Consultant WSUP Advisory



**Mr. Lalit Patra**

WASH Manager Climate,  
Environment and WASH, UNICEF

## Key Note Speakers and Panelists

Dialogue session on Wednesday 25th March 2026 - **Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development**, Time 9:00 AM. – 11:00 AM



**Dr. Cathy Ilikor Mbidde**  
Director of the Makerere University Innovations Hub

## PANELISTS



**Mr Daniel Opwonya**  
Regional Climate Resilient  
WASH Advisor, WaterAid



**Dr Themba Gumbo**  
Director  
Cap-Net



**Ms Modester Lokeris**  
General manager of West  
Peak Uganda co. Ltd



**Dr John Kabayo**  
Former Coordinator,  
Regional IGAD Drought  
Resilience Initiative



**Mr Stephen Asiimwe**  
Executive Director,  
Private Sector Foundation



**Dr. Abdulkarim Seid**  
Regional Manager  
Internation Water Management Institute

## Key Note Speakers and Panelists

**SPEAKERS:** Dialogue session on Thursday 26th March 2026 - **Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities** Time 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

### KEY NOTE SPEAKER



**Kate Alinafe Harawa**

Director of Influence and Scale, Water for People, Malawi

### PANELISTS



**Dr Akankwasah Barirega**  
Executive Director, NEMA



**Ms Tremayne Stanton-Kennedy**  
Climate and Nature Lead,  
British High Commission/ Chair ECC DPG



**Dr. Eng. Nestor Niyonzima**  
Executive Director  
Nile Basin Initiative



**Ms Catherine Psomgen**  
Director,  
Equity Bank



**Mr Zeynu Ummer**  
Director of the UNDP Resilience  
Hub for Africa



**Mr Natif Bob**  
Ag Commissioner  
Climate Change Department

## Key Note Speakers and Panelists

Dialogue session on Friday 27th March 2026 - Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services, Time 09:00 a.m. – 11:00 AM

### KEY NOTE SPEAKER



**Dr. Paulina Chiwangu,**  
UN Women Representative in Uganda

### PANELISTS



**Dr Judith Maryna Storie**  
Global Water Partnership



**Mr. Aggrey D. Kibenge**  
Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development



**Dr. Aramanzan Madanda**  
Senior Gender Technical Advisor,  
CARE International



**Ochero Dickens**  
Youth Go Green



**Hon Winfred M. Komuhangi**  
National Programme Coordinator, Uganda Women  
Entrepreneurship Programme



**Mr. Martin Ameu**  
Deputy Country Representative  
FAO

# UWEWK 2026 Closing Ceremony



**Hon Matia Kasaija**  
Minister of Finance, Planning & Economic  
Development



**Dr Francisca Ayodeji Akala**  
World Bank Country Manager for Uganda



**Ms. Nwanne Vwede-Obahor**  
UNDP Resident Representative for Uganda



**Owek. Mariam Nkalubo Mayanja**  
Buganda's Minister for Community Service,  
Nature, Water, and People's Affairs



**Hon. Aisha Sekindi**  
Minister of State for Water  
Ministry of Water and Environment

# UWEWK 2026

## DETAILED PROGRAM

UWEWK 2026 PRE-EVENT ACTIVITIES		
1st March - 21st March 2026	PRE-EVENT #1: 540km Walk for Water and Environment for Climate change from Moroto to Kampala (2nd March to 20th March 2026)	
	PRE-EVENT #2: UWEWK regional activities in 6 regional de-concentrated structures of MWE (2nd March to 21st March 2026)	
	PRE-EVENT #3: Regional Youth Debates in 5 regional de-concentrated structures of MWE (Lira, Mbale, Fort portal, Kabale and Kampala) (2nd to 18th March 2026)	
	PRE-EVENT #4: Launch for UWEWK 2026 (17 March 2026)	
	PRE-EVENT #5: UWEWK 2026 Swimming Gala (21 March 2026)	
	PRE-EVENT #6: Clean up exercise in Luzira (19th March 2026) by MWE management and staff and other stakeholders	
	PRE-EVENT #7: Prayers for UWEWK by churches under the Uganda Joint Christian Council (22th March 2026)	
OPENING CEREMONY: @ MWE Auditorium (Physical) and Live on NBS TVs. and ZOOM + YouTube		
Monday 23rd March 2026	08:30 - 09:10	Arrival of Guest of Honor, tour and launch of the UWEWK 2026 Exhibitions
	09:10 - 09:15	Formal start of UWEWK 2026: Opening ceremony (welcome, anthems and prayer)
	09:15 - 09:25	Welcome remarks: Dr Alfred Okot Okidi- Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Water and Environment
	09:25 - 09:35	Opening Video: Uganda Water and Environment Week 2026
	09:35 - 09:45	"Speech by Cultural institutions: Calvin Rwomire Armstrong - Tooro Kingdom Prime Minister"
	09:45 - 09:55	"Speech by Religious institutions: The Most Rev. Dr. Stephen Samuel Kaziimba Mugalu, Archbishop of the Church of Uganda "
	09:55 - 10:05	Speech by UN agencies: Dr. Robin Nandy, UNICEF Representative in Uganda
	10:05 - 10:15	Entertainment: Dance and Poem
	10:15 - 10:25	Speech by the Minister: Hon Beatrice Atim Anywar - Minister of State for Environment
	10:25 - 10:35	Speech by the Minister: Hon Sam Cheptoris - Minister of Water and Environment
	10:35 - 10:50	Opening Speech by Guest of Honor: Rt. Hon. Robinah Nabbanja- Prime Minister of Uganda
	10:50 - 11:10	Music Interlude and launch of key sector documents by Guest of Honor
	11:10 - 12:00	Key Note Presentations: "Water and Environment for an inclusive and prosperous Uganda"
	12:00 - 13:30	"Panel Discussion: Mr. Wilbrod Humphreys Owor - Executive Director, UBA; Ms Namirembe Sandra - Youth Representative; Hon. Hebert Edmond Ariko- Chair, Parliamentary Committee on ENR; Major General Moses Rwakitarate- Head of Strategic Vital Assets, UPDF; Mrs Sarah Kagingo - Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors at Private Sector Foundation Uganda, Prof Ariho Alex - Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of African Agribusiness Incubators Network "
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch Break	

14:30 - 17:30	a) Karamoja and Mbale Region focusing on sub theme 1 b) Central (Wakiso) and south western (Mbarara) focusing on UWEWK sub theme 4 c) Western region (Fortportal) focusing on UWEWK sub theme 2 d) Northern Region (Lira) focusing on UWEWK sub theme 3 e) Walk for water, environment and climate change: responses to the presentation: f) Feedback from the media (journalists, reporters, communication officers etc)"	"Moderators: Ms Brenda Achiro (Country Director, Water for People) and Dr. Eng Frank Kweronda (Ag. Commissioner, MWE)"	Side event: Meet and greet Water and Environment sector Elders - Zooka Boardroom	"Moderators: Mr Richard Musota (Assistant Commissioner, MWE) and Ms Aminah Nabulime (Sen. Procurement Officer, MWE)"
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17:30 - 20:00 Meet and greet the water and environment elders during the cocktail

### END OF DAY ONE

### Dialogue Sub-theme No. 1 Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy - MWE Auditorium (Physical and ZOOM)

09:00 - 09:30	Key Note Presentation: "Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy"	Key Note Speaker: Dr Ramathan Ggobi – Permanent Secretary/Secretary to the Treasury, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
09:30 - 10:45	"Panel Discussion: (Dr Silver Mugisha - Managing Director - NWSC; Assoc. Prof. Ibrahim Mike Okumu – Makerere University; Ms. Angela Basiima Tusime - Youth, Mr Julius Kakeeto - Managing Director, Pearl Bank; Mr Philip OYAMO - Principal Consultant - WSUP Advisory; Mr. Lalit Patra - WASH Manager Climate, Environment and WASH, UNICEF) "	"Moderators: Eng Gilbert Kimanzi (Commissioner, MWE) and Ms. Lilian Nabasiye (Resident Programme Manager, WSUP Advisory)"
10:45 - 11:00	Discussions and Feedback	

### TEA BREAK

11:30 - 13:00	Session 1: Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy - Policy, Practice & Scientific Papers Presentation - Part I, (DWD Board room) refer to annex I	Session 2: Side event: Planning Water and Waste Services - Eawag (Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology) and Makerere University & National Water and Sewerage Corporation (NWSC), Umbrella of Water and Sanitation (Nile Board room)	Session 3: Side event: DRESSEA project - Ministry of Water and Environment, KWMZ (Zooka Boardroom)"	Session 4: Side event; Outcome from COP 30 and roadmap to COP 31 - Ministry of Water and Environment/ Climate Change Department (Auditorium)	Session 5: From Plans to LoCAL Impact: Decentralized Climate Finance - UNCDF and MoLG (Rwizi Room)	Session 6: Applied training: Technical training on advanced value and coupling technologies for ministry engineers - AVK group and Ministry of Water and Environment (Wetland library Boardroom)	Session 7: Side Event Harnessing Agroforestry and Industrial Innovation for Climate Mitigation under Uganda's Climate Change Framework - GRO Foundation Uganda (WEIS Room)
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LUNCH BREAK	
Parallel Sessions (Physical and ZOOM)	Parallel sessions
14:-00 - 17:00	<p>Session 8: Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy - Policy, Practice &amp; Scientific Papers Presentation - Part I, (DWD Board room) refer to annex I</p> <p>Session 9: Side event; Mpanga Water fund - Water for People and Albert Water Management Zone (Nile Boardroom)</p> <p>Session 10: side event: Learning from Practice: Translating Equitable Service Delivery Experience into Policy Action - WSUP Advisory (Zooka Board Room)</p> <p>Session 11: Side event; Launch of the Locally Led Adaptation (LLA) Community of Practice (CoP) - Ministry of Water and Environment - LIFE-AR Programme (Auditorium)</p> <p>Session 12: Youth for Water in Uganda and Beyond: From Fragmented Action to Sustainable Intergenerational Partnerships - IWA Young Water Professionals Uganda, Swiss Water Partnership Youth &amp; Ugandan Youth Parliament for Water and Youth Sub Committee (Rwizi Room)</p> <p>Session 13: Side Event: Unravelling the Dynamics of Financing for WASH - Ministry of Water and Environment/ WHO, IRC-Uganda (Wetland Library)</p> <p>Session 14: side event: Sustainable Water Quality Management Supporting Uganda's Development Agenda - Department of Water Quality Management, IIASA &amp; BOKU (WEIS Room)</p>
END OF DAY TWO	

Dialogue Sub-theme No. II - Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development - MWE Auditorium (Physical and ZOOM)						
09:00 - 09:30	Key Note Presentation: "Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development"					Key Note Speaker: Dr. Cathy Ilikor Mbidde – Director of the Makerere University Innovations Hub
09:30 - 10:45	<p><b>"Panel Discussion: (Mr Daniel Opwonya - Regional Climate Resilient WASH Advisor, WaterAid; Dr. Abdulkarim Seid – Regional Manager (IWM); Mr Stephen Asimwe - ED, Private Sector Foundation; Dr Themba Gumbo - Director, Cap-Net; Ms Modester Lokoris, General manager of West Peak Uganda co. Ltd; Dr John Kabayo- Former Coordinator, Regional IGAD Drought Resilience Initiative) "</b></p>					<p><b>"Moderators: Dr Rosemirita Birungi (Programme Manager, AFID) and Eng. Lamu Olweny (Ag. Commissioner, MWE)"</b></p>
10:45 - 11:00	Discussions and Feedback					
TEA BREAK						
11:30 - 13:00	Session 15: Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development - Technical Presentation Policy, Practice & Scientific Papers Presentation,(DWD Board Room) refer to annex I	Session 16: Side event; Water and Environment Sector Refugee Response Plan (WESRRP) - Secretariat of Refugee Response Ministry of Water and Environment and GIZ (Nile Board Room)	Session 17: Side event: Building Uganda's Climate-Resilient Bio-economy through Wetlands and Forests Management and Restoration - Uganda Biodiversity Trust Fund and Environmental Alert and other ENR-CSO Network members (Zooka Board Room)	Session 18: Side event Launch of the WASH-NAP - Ministry of Water and Environment and UNICEF (Auditorium)	Session 19: Applied training: Monitoring and Evaluating the role of Water towards an Inclusive and Prosperous Uganda - Hilton Foundation / AWMZ/WRI (Rwizi Room)	Session 20: Side event: Experience sharing in Dam Safety management in Uganda: Operators'/ Developers' Perspectives - MWE/WRPR (Wetland Library)
						Session 21: Access of MWE Data and Information through the Water and Environment Information System (WEIS) - MWE/WEIS (WEIS Room )
LUNCH BREAK						
Parallel Sessions (Physical and ZOOM)	Parallel sessions					

14:00 - 17:00	<p>Session 22: Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development</p> <p>- Technical Presentation Policy, Practice &amp; Scientific Papers Presentation,(DWD Board room) refer to annex 1</p>	<p>Session 23: Side event: Harnessing science, technology, innovation (STI) and Capacity Development to Transform Water Management - 2ML Consulting Limited and Kagga &amp; Partners Consulting Engineers (Nile Boardroom)</p>	<p>Session 24: Side event: Advancing Multi-Stakeholder Coordination for Effective IWRM Implementation in Uganda - Welthungerhilfe (WHH), DWD and UWASNET, Uganda (Zooka Board Room)</p>	<p>Session 25: Graduation ceremony of 5th Cohort graduate trainees of Internship, Mentorship and Placement Program - Water Resources Institute, UNHCR, UNICEF etc.(MWE Auditorium)</p>	<p>Session 26: Applied training: Executive Systems Disruption Lab. (Why Infrastructure Fails – And How to De-Risk It Before Scaling - Appropriate Technology Center,MWE (Rwizi Room)</p>	<p>Session 27: Side event Youth Career talk - Ministry of Water and Environment (Wetland Library)</p>	<p>Session 28: Applied training: Technical Training on advanced valve and coupling technologies for ministry engineers</p> <p>- AVK Group, Sondergade 33, 8464, Galten, Denmark and MWE(WEIS Room )</p>
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**“Dialogue Sub-theme No. III - Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities incomes and livelihoods - MWE Auditorium (Physical and ZOOM)”**

09:00 - 09:40	<p>Key Note Presentation: “Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities”</p>	<p>Key Note Speakers: Ms Kate Harawa - Country Director, Water For People - Malawi</p>
09:40 - 10:45	<p><b>“Panel Discussion: (Dr Akankwasah Barirega- Executive Director, NEMA; Ms Tremayne Stanton-Kennedy - Climate and Nature Lead, British High Commission/ Chair ECC DPG; Dr. Eng. Nestor Niyonzima - Executive Director, Nile Basin Initiative; Ms Catherine Psomgen - Director, Equity Bank; Mr Zeynu Ummier -Director of the UNDP Resilience Hub for Africa;Mr Natif Bob - Ag Commissioner, CCD) ”</b></p> <p>“Moderators: <b>Dr Privah Atuhaire</b> (Communication Specialist, MWE) and <b>Mr. David Okurut</b> (Commissioner, MWE)”</p>	<p><b>“Moderators: Dr Privah Atuhaire (Communication Specialist, MWE) and Mr. David Okurut (Commissioner, MWE)”</b></p>
10:45 - 11:00	<p>Discussions and Feedback</p>	
<p>TEA BREAK</p>		

11:30 - 13:00	<p>Session 29: Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities - Technical Presentation Policy, Practice &amp; Scientific Papers Presentation,(DWD Board room) refer to annex I</p>	<p>Session 30:Side event: Understanding the Pathogen Flows Associated with Sanitation in Urban Communities and Health Care Facilities - Makerere University (School of Public Health and College of Engineering, Design, Art and Technology) &amp; Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda; Kampala Capital City Authority, Uganda; Center for Global Safe WASH at Emory University, USA etc. (Nile Board room)</p>	<p>Session 31: Side Event: Enhancing Awareness and Uptake of Faecal Sludge Management (FSM) Services through Strategic Promotion of the FSM Call Centre - Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Services Department , MWE (Zooka Board room)</p>	<p>Session 32: Side event: Paludiculture Solutions for People, Climate, and Biodiversity, Launch of the Peat4People Business Incubation Programme - GIZ and the Michael Succow Foundation (Greifswald Miire Centre) and FAO (Auditorium)</p>	<p>Session 33: Applied training: Wash Budget Analysis To Equip Sector Stakeholders With Practical Skills In Tracking, Analyzing and Optimizing WASH Financing - IRC and CSBAG (Rwizi Room)</p>	<p>Session 34 Side event Unravelling the Dynamics of Financing for WASH - Ministry of Water and Environment, WHO and IRC- Uganda (Wetland Library)</p>	<p>Session 35: (WEIS Room)</p>
TEA BREAK							
LUNCH BREAK							
Parallel Sessions (Physical and ZOOM)	Parallel sessions						

14:-00 - 17:00	<p>Session 36: Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Technical Presentation Policy, Practice &amp; Scientific Papers Presentation,(DWD Board room) refer to annex I</li> </ul>	<p>Session 37:Side event: Serious gaming to support sanitation planning and resource recovery from sanitation systems; - Makerere University (CEDAT) Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Uppsala, Sweden, &amp; Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, Sweden; University of Gothenburg, Sweden (Nile Board Room)</p>	<p>Session 38: Side event: COMOS Launch - Water Compass and International Lifeline Fund, Whave, Irrisol, Uganda Water Project, Wells of Life, Water Mission (Zooka Board room)</p>	<p>Session 39:Side event: Graduation ceremony of mentees of 5th cycle of WRI-mentorship - Water Resources Institute &amp; WaterAid Uganda (Auditorium)</p>	<p>Session 40: Driving Uganda's Growth Through Data: An Update on Electronic Digital Transformation and Data-Driven Decision-Making using WEMIS - Ministry of Water and Environment, and GIZ, GOAL Uganda, Practica Action, UNHCR, UNICEF (Rwizi Room)</p>	<p>Session 41: Applied Training: Youth Budget Advocacy Bootcamp for Climate-Resilient WASH and Public Health in HCF - WaterAid Uganda (Wetland Library)</p>	<p>Session 42: (WEIS Room)</p>	
<b>END OF DAY FOUR</b>								
<b>Dialogue Session No. IV - Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services - MWE Auditorium (Physical and ZOOM)</b>								
<b>Thursday 26th March 2026</b>		09:00 - 09:30	Key note presentation: Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services					"Key Note Speaker: Dr. Paulina Chiwangu, UN Women Representative in Uganda"
09:30 - 10:45	<p><b>"Panel Discussions: (Dr Judith Maryna Storie – Global Water Partnership; Mr. Aggrey David Kibenge - PS, Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development; Dr. Aramanzan Madanda- Senior Gender Technical Advisor, CARE International; Hon Winfred Matsiko Komuhangi - National Programme Coordinator, Uganda Women Entrepreneurship Programme; Ochero Dickens - Youth Go Green; Mr. Yergalem Taages Beraki - FAO Representative to Uganda) "</b></p>							<p>Moderators: Mr. Edwin Muhumuza (CEO, Youth Go Green) and Ms. Jacinta Nekesa (Executive Director, Environmental Alert)</p>
10:45 - 11:00	Discussions and Feedback							
<b>TEA BREAK</b>								

Parallel Sessions (Physical and ZOOM) Parallel sessions							
11:30 - 13:00	<p>Session 43: Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services</p> <p>Technical Presentation - Policy, Practice &amp; Scientific Technical Presentation (DWD Board room) refer to Annex 1</p>	<p>"Session 44: Side event: Strengthening civil society collaboration for forest restoration and sustainable water and environment management in Uganda - Environmental Alert and ROOTS partners (Nile Board room)</p> <p>"</p>	<p>Session 45: Women and youth innovations supporting water and environment services - CARE International in Uganda and CARE International, Youth Advocacy and Development Network (YADNET Uganda), SOS children village, Women climate change international, Centre for Economic and Social Rights (CESR) (Zooka Board room)</p>	<p>Session 46: Side event: The Role the WRI in advancing science, research, innovation and capacity building for water and environment services - Water Resources Institute, MWE (Auditorium)</p>	<p>Session 47: Feedback from the media (journalists, reporters, communication officers etc) - Water Resources Institute, MWE (Rwizi Room)</p>	<p>Session 48: side event: Status of SDG 6 in Uganda - Ministry of Water and Environment, IRC-Uganda, Water Aid-Uganda and Water for People (Wetlands Library)</p>	<p>Session 49: Side event: National Youth Debate - MWE/Youth-Go-Green (IREC Board room - NWSC)</p>
LUNCH BREAK							

<b>COMMEMORATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECTOR DAYS, UWEWK2026 WRAP UP &amp; CLOSING CEREMONY: @ MWE Auditorium (Physical) and Live on NBS TVs. and ZOOM</b>	
12:30 - 13:30	Marching in celebration of three international sector days (marching by schools, MWE staff and stakeholders from Kitintale to MWE Headquarters)
13:45 - 14:30	Arrival of the Guest of honor and tour of the sector days exhibitions and general exhibitions
14:30 - 14:45	Formal start of commemoration of sector days and UWEWK 2026 closing ceremony (welcome, anthems and prayer)
14:45 - 14:55	Entertainment: Song and poem
14:55 - 15:15	Summary Outcomes of UWEWK2026 - UWEWK Organizing Committee
15:15 - 15:30	Overview and implications of the themes of International Forest Day; World Water Day and World Meteorological Day;(Partner, Youth Representative and DOM)
15:30 - 15:45	Speech to commemorate the three International Sector Days: UNDP Resident Representative for Uganda
15:45 - 16:15	Giving of Awards and launch of key sector documents
16:15 - 16:25	Speech by Development Partners: Dr Francisca Ayodeji Akala-World Bank Country Manager for Uganda
16:25 - 16:35	Remarks by Cultural institutions: Owek. Mariam Nkalubo Mayanja- Buganda's Minister for Community Service, Nature, Water, and People's Affairs
16:35 - 16:45	Remarks by Minister: Hon. Aisha Sekindi - Minister of State for Water
16:45 - 17:00	Closing Speech by Guest of Honor: Hon Matia Kasajja. Minister for Finance, Planning and Economic Development
17:00 - 19:00	CLOSING COCKTAIL
<b>END OF UWEWK 2026 CONFERENCE</b>	

<b>POST EVENT ACTIVITIES</b>	
POST-EVENT #1:	Water and Environment Week Nile Run in Jinja
POST-EVENT #2:	Buganda Kingdom Water Day
POST-EVENT #3:	5th Edition of the Save River Rwizi Run 2026
POST-EVENT #4:	Webinar focusing on outcomes and recommendations from UWEWK 2026

## Annex 1:

## List of paper presentations as per sub- theme-UWEWK2026

PAPER PRESENTATION PROGRAM UWEWK2026						
Sub-theme 1 : Role of water and environment in achieving Uganda's Tenfold Growth strategy						
Date	Abstract code	No.	Author (s)	Title	Oral / Poster	Time
24th March 2026	R1 -92	1	Okabo Edwin	Rectangular platform (Apron and drainage) design for sustainable hand pump protection in uneven terrain in Uganda.	Oral	
	R1 -98	2	Natuhwera Merolyne	Emerging organic pollutants in sediments from Lake Victoria: Spatial patterns, sources and ecological risks	Oral	10:00am to 1:00pm
	R1 -103	3	Mwesigwa Andrew	Monitoring framework for Nature- based Solutions under the Irrigation for Climate Resilience Project (ICRP)	Oral	
	R1 -93	4	Luc Duffles Aldon	Supporting the participation of local communities in financing and managing water and sanitation through the LocalClimate Adaptive Living Facility (LoCAL)	Poster	
	R1 -96	5	Juster, Sarah	Biodiverse non-timber forest products for climate resilient livelihoods in refugee-hosting northern Uganda	Poster	
	R1 -104	6	Bahebwa Loryn	Establishment of the Mpanga Catchment Environmental Sustainability and Restoration Fund	Poster	
<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>						
<i>Sub-theme 2: Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development</i>						

R1-20	7	Aine Amon	Eco-zones of Uganda: a hierarchical clustering and classification of Uganda's ecological heterogeneity	Oral		
R1-28	8	Byamukama Dan and Ssekamanya Peter	Assessing the Feasibility of Composting as a Reduce, Reuse, Recycle (3R) Strategy in Solid Waste Management	Oral		Prof. Nicholas Kiggundu and Dr. Denis Semyalo
R1-29	9	Namuganga Joyce	Use of Satellite Data and Hydraulic modelling to Assess Flood Risk in River Nyamwamba Catchment.	Oral	2.00pm to 3.30pm	
R1-30	10	Ndyamuhaki Bridget	Estimation of Soil Erosion and Sediment Delivery Ratios in Maziba Sub-Catchment, Uganda	Oral		
R1-31	11	Isogol Herbert	Adaptation of AI- driven and agent based technologies to strengthen environmental governance systems.	Oral		
R1-39	12	Lukooya Daniel	Willingness to Pay Water-User Fee and Associated Factors Among Household Heads in Mayuge District	Oral		
R1-47	13	Abdulkarim H Seid	Urban flood monitoring to inform long-term planning and infrastructure development in Kampala	Poster		
R1-50	14	Purvis Timothy	Lead in Supply Chain via Manufacturers: Supply Chain Mapping	Poster		
<b>Sub-theme 3: Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities</b>						
R1-53	15	Okello Brian Lorika, Ochero Dickens	Translating climate policy into practice and building environmentally sustainable and climate resilient communities in Kampala's informal settlements.	Oral		
R1-54	16	Hubbard Sydney	Community-Managed Water Funds in Rural Uganda: Multi-Year Evidence from Village Savings and Loan Associations.	Oral		Prof. Nicholas Kiggundu and Dr. Denis Semyalo
R1-57	17	Adong Rachel, Christelle Kyatengerwa, Davis Lwamunda, Gilbert Tusiime	Assessment of Unregulated Water Users in Mbarara City	Poster	3.30pm to 5.00pm	
R1-58	18	Ssekitooleko Joseph	Supporting marginalised communities through Fish farming in order to strengthen local resilience in sustainable source of food, high quality protein, income diversification and biodiversity conservation particularly in rural areas of Kagera catchment	Poster		
R1-64	19	Nassozi-Kawuma Davina Philomena	Beyond Infrastructure: Embodied and Relational Labour in Climate Adaptation	Poster		
R1-67	20	Ochieng Ologe Daniel, Edo Abraham	Assessing spatial inequalities in household safe water access in Uganda	Poster		

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**Sub-theme 2: Investment in science, technology, innovation and capacity building to enhance progress in water and environment management and development**

R1-51	21	Okello Simon peter	Assessing the Effectiveness of Nature-Based Solutions in Enhancing Landslide Resilience in Bududa District, Eastern Uganda	Oral	
R1-52	22	Okurut Daniel Samson	Assessment of Groundwater potential in the Opeta- Bisina sub-catchment within Kyoga Water Management Zone.	Oral	
R1-55	23	Nahabwe Ophelia	From Waste to Prosperity: A Community-Led Black Soldier Fly Initiative for Inclusive Water and Environmental Services in Mbarara City	Oral	10.00am to 1.00pm
R1-56	24	Akankwasa Stephen	Harnessing Science and Innovation for Climate-Resilient Water Management in Uganda	Oral	Dr. Sam Cherotich and Dr. Tadeo Mibulo
R1-59	25	Amaniyo Michael	Innovative design and construction of climate and vandalism resilient Telemetry walk-in shelter on river Kagera at Nsongezi in Isingiro District	Oral	
R1-62	26	Mutayomba Amos, Justus Matunguru	The effectiveness of SLM technologies in enhancing the resilience of highland farming landscapes to climate change in Uganda: A look at the contribution of Contour Reversed Benches (CRBTs)	Oral	
			<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>		
R1-66	27	Nalubinga Mwebaza Gertrude	Interactive Radio Capturing Community Perspectives on Climate-related Migration	Oral	
R1-79	28	Opeto Leonard	Institutionalizing Rural Water Governance and Tariff Reforms: Piloting a Delegated	Oral	
R1-82	29	Dr. Ashabrick Nantege, Saudah Nabbanja.	TAF Assessment of the Poldaw Riser System as a Technology for Enhancing Boreholes' Performance in Uganda	Oral	2.00pm to 5.00pm
R1-83	30	Grace Kanweri	Leveraging Ecosystem Diversity of the Mpanga Catchment for Water Security improvement through a Water Fund	Oral	
R1-87	31	Onen David Livingstone, Nabwire Immaculate, Naikoba	Integrating WASH Interventions across Healthcare Facilities: Evidence from Northern and Eastern Uganda	Oral	

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R1-90	32	Ssemuyaba Beliga Henry	Efficient Energy Utilization Strategies for Off-grid Aquaponics Systems for smallholder farmers in Uganda	Oral
R1-94	33	Musinguzi Jacob	Digitisation of Water Service Connection Assessment Process in Uganda	Oral
R1-60	34	Musasizi Allan	Assessing the effect of Partial replacement of natural Sand with Iron Ore Tailings fine-aggregates in Production of Concrete within Kigezi Sub-Region	Oral
R1-37	35	Trimmer John, Akamanya Rawlings	An experiential model for training the next generation of water quality professionals in sub-Saharan Africa	Oral
R1-102	36	Musaazi Yunia Yiga	Human Waste to Energy: Advancing Environmental Conservation through Biogas Systems in Uganda	Oral
R1-65	37	Biraro Abel, Okurut Daniel Samson	Assessment of Ground Water Potential in Kyankwanzi District	Poster
R1-95	38	Waako Katuramu Grace	Effective Stakeholder Engagement a prerequisite for creating buy-in in the process of operationalising the rural O&M framework	Poster
R1-99	39	Ntayi Joseph	Algorithmic Water Governance: A Systematic Literature Review of Artificial Intelligence, Systemic Risk and Regulatory Accountability in Climate-Stressed Economies (2005 – 2026)	Poster
R1-106	40	Rakesh, Okwera Robert	Rwizi Feedback Application: Empowering local communities and conservation representatives to report, verify, and act on environmental incidents.	Poster

## Sub-theme 3: Ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities

26th March 2026						Dr. Patrick Musinguzi and Stacey Natukunda
R1-2	41	Baguma Gabson	Heavy Metal Contamination of Sediments from Port Bell, Lake Victoria: Implications for Environmental Sustainability and Community Health	Oral	10:00 to 2:00pm	
R1-4	42	Nakibuule Betty	Determinants of access to Improved Drinking Water Sources and Possession of Improved Toilet Facilities among Households in Uganda	Oral		
R1-13	43	Ahimbisibwe Ambrose	Influence of Psychosocial Work Environment on Job Satisfaction among Forestry Extension employees in Uganda	Oral		
R1-14	44	Byarugaba Isaac	Impact of Heavy Metals on Antibiotic Resistance of Escherichia coli from Slum Wastewater	Oral		
R1-24	45	Global Earth Care Strategy Team and Amanywa Wilson	Mapping School-Led Greening to Wetland Buffer Restoration and Lake Catchment Protection for Climate-Resilient and Inclusive Growth in Uganda	Oral		
R1-25	46	Byekwaso Flavia	Anthropogenic and Natural Factors impacting Microbiological and Physicochemical Surface Water Quality along an urban tropical wetland	Oral		
R1-26	47	Waiswa Abel	Solid Waste management in Kampala for ensuring environmentally sustainable and climate resilient economies and communities in Uganda.	Oral		
R1-27	48	Bebb Sarah	Preliminary analysis of research collaboration networks relevant to water and environmental governance in the Nile Basin	Oral		
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R1-34	49	Wamala Lydia	Role of transboundary cooperation in promoting national sustainable development	Oral	2:00 to 5:00pm	Dr. Patrick Musinguzi and Stacey Natukunda
R1-35	50	Tayebwa Phionah	Integrated Assessment of Environmental Dynamics and Sustainable Management Strategies for Lake Bunyonyi, Southwestern Uganda	Oral		
R1-38	51	Goddard Frederick, Akamanya Rawlings	Seasonal impact on water infrastructure: Availability, quality and source selection in Ethiopia, Ghana and Uganda	Oral		
R1-46	52	Omara William, Daniel Lukooya	Rapid User-Centred Sanitation Design in Emergency Refugee Settings: Lessons from West Nile, Uganda.	Oral		
R1-68	53	Ahebwa Olivia	Assessing Insecurities of Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Solid Waste Services in Healthcare Facilities	Oral		
R1-69	54	Marisa Boller	Integrated assessment of climate vulnerabilities and adaptive capacities across water and waste services	Oral		
R1-70	55	Burgess Clay, Timothy Purvis, Michael Fisher	A Systematic Review of Toxic Metals Exposures through Drinking Water in East Africa	Oral		
R1-71	56	Ainembabazi Isaac Elia, Aine Amon, Mathew Herrnegger, Grace A. Ssanyu, Assoc. Prof. Wolfram Graf	The response of macroinvertebrate communities to multiple stressors in the greater Kampala Metropolitan area, Uganda.	Oral		
R1-77	57	Atuhaire Immaculate, Guma Brian Emmanuel, Ssemwanga David, Kanweri Grace	Restoring Hope through Trees: Community-Driven Reforestation in Ibanda District, Uganda.	Oral		
R1-80	58	Kigozi Frank, Dr. Guma Brian Emmanuel, Ahimbisibwe Justus, Mwesigwa Andrew, Ssemwanga David, Kanweri Grace	Harnessing Real-Time Data: Advancing Water Resource Management through Hydrological Monitoring in Mpanga Catchment.	Oral		

R1-84	59	Kakuru Kit Medard	Social Value of the Welfare Benefits and Potential Demand for Improved Fecal Sludge Management in Urban Settlements in Uganda	Oral	
R1-86	60	Tumuhairwe Samuel Franklin	Participatory Integrated Planning (PIP) as a pathway to climate-resilient and environmentally sustainable livelihoods in Uganda's highland ecosystems: Evidence from the INCLUDE Project in Rubanda District.	Oral	
R1-105	61	Eragena Anthelem	Safeguarding Lives and Livelihoods in Nyamwamba: A Hybrid Ecosystem – Infrastructure Model for Enhanced Climate Resilience	Oral	
R1-3	62	Odongo Steven	Ending Wetland Encroachment in Obim Rural Community, Alebtong District by Co-Creating Alternative and Transformative Livelihoods: The Obed Karacel Mixed Farmer's Group Model	Poster	
R1-22	63	Etabu Justine	Empowering Communities for Inclusive Growth	Poster	
<b>Sub-theme 4: Leveraging the power and capacity of women, youth and children in delivery of water and environment services</b>					
<b>27th March 2026</b>					
R1-5	64	Kyalimpa Bridgette	Strengthening Women and Girls' Leadership for Inclusive and Gender-Responsive Water and Environment Governance in Uganda	Oral	Dr. Rosemirta Birungi and Dr. Emmanuel Baidhe
R1-16	65	Christopher Liberty	Leveraging Local Capacity for Inclusive Climate-Resilient Water and Environment Services	Oral	
R1-21	66	Dr. Kentaro Grace M Ariho	Gender-Responsive Governance in Water and Environment Service Delivery: Evidence from Community-Level Participation in Uganda	Oral	
R1-23	67	Arinaitwe Patricia and Ssemanda Davis Mark	From Evidence to Action: Leveraging University Youth for Green Skills Development and Circular Economy Engagement in Uganda	Oral	
R1-43	68	Ortrun Merkle, Osoro George	The role of women and youth in an equitable, accountable, and sustainable delivery of water and environmental services	Oral	

Thursday 27th March 2026							
R1-85	69	Nabbanja Saudah, Dr. Ashabrick Nantege, Buleesa Robert.	TAF Assessment of the Divya Washing Machine Technology in Kampala, Wakiso and Mayuge Districts, Uganda	Oral			
R1-88	70	Masudi Hamimu, Naikoba Brenda Enid, Ronald Ogwok	Strengthening Climate-Resilient Integrated Water Resources Management to Close WASH Inequality Gaps and Avoid the Rising Cost of Inaction in Uganda	Oral			
R1-89	71	WaterAid Uganda, Joyce Mpalanyi Magala	Assessing Multidimensional WASH Inequalities in Uganda: Impacts, Drivers, and Pathways to Equity	Oral			
R1-97	72	Osoro George	Strengthening Community and Women's Participation and Accountability in Community Water Services through Integrity Management Approaches in Uganda	Oral			
R1-101	73	Ortrun Merkle	Sexual Corruption in Access to Water and Sanitation Services: Implications for Women's Safety and Participation in WASH Service Delivery in Uganda	Oral			
<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>							
R1-42	74	Ebal Brownie	Youth as Stakeholders in Inclusive and Climate-Resilient Water and Environmental Governance: The NWSC School Water and Sanitation Clubs Experience	Poster	2:00pm to 3:00pm	2:00pm to 3:00pm	Dr. Rosemirita Birungi and Dr. Emmanuel Baidhe
R1-61	75	Nakkazi Irene, Niwagaba Caroline	Improving the livelihood of Youth and Women for effective Water Resources Management in Kabuyanda sub-catchment	Poster			
R1-76	76	Muhangi Martin	Empowering Youth-Led Rainwater Harvesting Initiatives for Vulnerable Households in Kamwenge District, Uganda	Poster			
R1-33	77	Mbowa Henry Stanley, Sanyu Aidah	Community-driven micro-catchment restoration for climate resilience around Kabuyanda irrigation scheme, Isingiro district	Poster			
R1-41	78	Ebal Brownie	Embedding Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Principles in Public Water Utilities: The NWSC Experience in Advancing Inclusive and Climate-Resilient Development in Uganda	Poster			

R1-44	79	Asiimwe Robert, Daniel Lukooya	Assessing Policy Gaps and Opportunities for Climate-Resilient Watershed Management in Uganda: A Baseline Policy Analysis of the Lokere and Lokok Watersheds.	Poster	
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## ANNEX II APPLIED TRAININGS

Date	Time of presentation	Title Training	Mode of training	Organizers	Venue
Session 6: Tuesday 24th March 2026	11:30 - 13:00	Technical training on advanced value and coupling technologies for ministry engineers	Online and Physical	AVK group and Ministry of Water and Environment	(Wetland library Boardroom)
Session 19: Wednesday 25th March 2026	11:30 - 13:00	Monitoring and Evaluating the role of Water towards an Inclusive and Prosperous Uganda	Online and Physical	Hilton Foundation / AWMZ/WRI	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
Session 21: Wednesday 25th March 2026	11:30 - 13:00	Access of MWE Data and Information through the Water and Environment Information System (WEIS)	Online and Physical	Ministry of Water and Environment, WIES	WEIS Room
Session 26: Wednesday 25th March 2026	14:00 – 17:00	Executive Systems Disruption Lab. (Why Infrastructure Fails – And How to De-Risk It Before Scaling	Online and Physical	Appropriate Technology Center, MWE	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
Session 33: Thursday 26th March 2026	11:30 - 13:00	Wash Budget Analysis To Equip Sector Stakeholders With Practical Skills In Tracking, Analyzing and Optimizing WASH Financing	Online and Physical	IRC and CSBAG	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
Session 33: Thursday 26th March 2026	14:00 – 17:00	Applied Training: Youth Budget Advocacy Bootcamp for Climate-Resilient WASH and Public Health in HCF	Online and Physical	WaterAid Uganda	Wetland Library

## ANNEX III SIDE EVENTS

No	Session	Title of the side event	Convener/ Co convener	Date	Venue
1	Session 2	Planning Water and Waste Services by	Eawag (Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology) and Makerere University & National Water and Sewerage Corporation (NWSC), Umbrella of Water and Sanitation	23rd March 2026	Nile Board room
2	Session 3:	DRESSEA project by	Ministry of Water and Environment, Kyoga Water Management Zone	24th March 2026	Zooka Boardroom
3	Session 4:	Outcome from COP 30 and roadmap to COP 31	Ministry of Water and Environment/Climate Change Department	24th March 2026	Auditorium
4	Session 5:	From Plans to LoCAL Impact: Decentralized Climate Finance	UNCDF and MoLG	24th March 2026	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
5	Session 7:	Harnessing Agroforestry and Industrial Innovation for Climate Mitigation under Uganda's Climate Change Framework	GRO Foundation Uganda	24th March 2026	WEIS Room
6	Session 9:	Mpanga Water fund	Water for People and Albert Water Management Zone	24th March 2026	Nile Boardroom
7	Session 10:	Learning from Practice: Translating Equitable Service Delivery Experience into Policy Action	WSUP Advisory	24th March 2026	Zooka Board Room
8	Session 11:	Launch of the Locally Led Adaptation (LLA) Community of Practice (CoP)	Ministry of Water and Environment - LIFE-AR Programme	24th March 2026	Auditorium
9	Session 12:	Youth for Water in Uganda and Beyond: From Fragmented Action to Sustainable Intergenerational Partnerships	IWA Young Water Professionals Uganda, Swiss Water Partnership Youth & Ugandan Youth Parliament for Water and Youth Sub Committee	24th March 2026	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
10	Session 13:	Sustainable Water Quality Management Supporting Uganda's Development Agenda	Department of Water Quality Management, IIASA & BOKU	24th March 2026	Wetland Library
11	Session 14:			24th March 2026	WEIS Room

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12	Session 16:	Water and Environment Sector Refugee Response Plan (WESRRP)	Secretariat of Refugee Response Ministry of Water and Environment and GIZ	25th March 2026	Nile Board Room
13	Session 17	Building Uganda's Climate-Resilient Bio-economy through Wetlands and Forests Management and Restoration	Uganda Biodiversity Trust Fund and Environmental Alert and other ENR-CSO Network members	25th March 2026	Zooka Board Room
14	Session 18:	Launch of the WASH-NAP	Ministry of Water and Environment and UNICEF	25th March 2026	Auditorium
15	Session 20			25th March 2026	Wetlands Library
15	Session 23:	Harnessing science, technology, innovation (STI ) and Capacity Development to Transform Water Management	2ML Consulting Limited and Kagga & Partners Consulting Engineers	25th March 2026	Nile Boardroom
16	Session 24:	Advancing Multi-Stakeholder Coordination for Effective IWRM Implementation in Uganda	Welthungerhilfe (WHH), DWD and UWASNET, Uganda	25th March 2026	Zooka Board Room
17	Session 25:	Graduation ceremony of 5th Cohort graduate trainees of Internship, Mentorship and Placement Program	Water Resources Institute, UNHCR, UNICEF etc	25th March 2026	Auditorium
18	Session 27:	Youth Career talk	Ministry of Water and Environment	25th March 2026	Wetland Library
19	Session 30:	Understanding the Pathogen Flows Associated with Sanitation in Urban Communities and Health Care Facilities	Makerere University (School of Public Health and College of Engineering, Design, Art and Technology) & Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda; Kampala Capital City Authority, Uganda; Center for Global Safe WASH at Emory University, USA etc.	25th March 2026	Nile Board room
20	Session 31:	Enhancing Awareness and Uptake of Faecal Sludge Management (FSM) Services through Strategic Promotion of the FSM Call Centre	Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Services Department , MWE	25th March 2026	Zooka Board room
21	Session 32:	Paludiculture Solutions for People, Climate, and Biodiversity, Launch of the Peat4People Business Incubation Programme	GIZ and the Michael Succow Foundation (Greifswald Mire Centre) and FAO	25th March 2026	Auditorium
22	Session 34:	Unravelling the Dynamics of Financing for WASH	Ministry of Water and Environment, WHO and IRC-Uganda	26th March 2026	Wetland Library
23	Session 35:				

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24	Session 37:	Serious gaming to support sanitation planning and resource recovery from sanitation systems.	Makerere University (CEDAT) Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Uppsala, Sweden, & Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, Sweden; University of Gothenburg, Sweden	26th March 2026	Nile Board Room
25	Session 38:	COMOS Launch	Water Compass and International Lifeline Fund, Whave, Irrisol, Uganda Water Project, Wells of Life, Water Mission	26th March 2026	Zooka Board room
26	Session 39:	Graduation ceremony of mentees of 5th cycle of WRI-mentorship	Water Resources Institute & WaterAid Uganda	26th March 2026	Auditorium
28	Session 40:	Driving Uganda's Growth Through Data: An Update on Electronic Digital Transformation and Data-Driven Decision-Making using WEMIS	Ministry of Water and Environment, and GIZ, GOAL Uganda, Practica Action, UNHCR, UNICEF	26th March 2026	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
27	Session 42:			26th March 2026	WEIS Room
28	Session 44:	Strengthening civil society collaboration for forest restoration and sustainable water and environment management in Uganda	Environmental Alert and ROOTs partners	Friday 27th March 2026	Nile Board room
29	Session 45:	Women and youth innovations supporting water and environment services.	CARE International in Uganda and CARE International, Youth Advocacy and Development Network (YADNET Uganda), SOS children village, Women climate change international, Centre for Economic and Social Rights (CESR)	Friday 27th March 2026	Zooka Board room
30	Session 46:	The Role the WRI in advancing science, research, innovation and capacity building for water and environment services	Water Resources Institute, MWE	Friday 27th March 2026	Auditorium
31	Session 47:	Feedback from the media (journalists, reporters, communication officers etc)	Water Resources Institute, MWE	Friday 27th March 2026	Rwizi Room next to MWE Library
32	Session 48	SDG 6 performance update in the Ugandan context	Ministry of Water and Environment, IRC-Uganda, Water Aid-Uganda and Water for People	Friday 27th March 2026	Wetlands Library
33	Session 49:	National Youth Debate	MWE/Youth-Go-Green	Friday 27th March 2026	IREC Board room - NWSC

## ANNEX IV FIELD VISIT

Session Schedule	Title	Name of Site/ Field Visit	Hosting Institution	Format of the visit	Date
Session 35:	Nalukolongo Faecal Sludge Treatment Plant (NFSTP)	Nalukolongo	NWSC	Physical	Wednesday 25th March 2026
Session 35:	Green livelihood and environmental initiatives that promote sustainability and circular economy practices.	Port Bell, Luzira in Kampala	Holistic Action for Development and Empowerment (HADE)	Physical	Wednesday 25th March 2026

## Key Note presenters



### **Mr. Oswald Mulenga Chanda**

Former Director, Water Development and Sanitation,  
African Development Bank

Oswald brings over 30 years of expertise in water and sanitation across Africa, with two decades spent in senior management positions encompassing development finance, utility regulation, and institutional change management. He served as Director of the Water at the African Development Bank, he expanded the department's portfolio to \$5.5 billion, annual lending to \$1 billion, and led a special fund for project preparation. He oversaw the development and implementation of policies and strategies to improve inclusive access, foster public-private partnerships, and strengthen climate resilience in water. In Zambia, Oswald was instrumental in pioneering sector reforms, utility regulation and building strategic partnerships, successfully raising funding for a pro-poor Trust Fund. He sits on several boards. A committed mentor, who holds degrees from the University of Melbourne and the University of Zambia.



## Hon Birahwa Mukitale Stephen Adyeeri,

Member of the Executive Board,  
National Planning Authority

Hon. Mukitale currently serves on the Executive Board of the National Planning Authority (NPA). He serves as a Member responsible for the portfolio of Infrastructure and Physical Planning, a strategic thematic area underpinning Uganda's long-term development ambitions under Vision 2040 and the upcoming National Development Plan (NDP IV). In this role, he provides guidance on national spatial planning, infrastructure prioritization, and alignment of government programmes with the country's socio-economic transformation agenda.

Hon. Stephen Mukitale Birahwa Adyeeri is a seasoned public policy practitioner and former legislator with extensive experience in governance, economic policy, and national development planning. He holds advanced training in public administration, economic governance, and development policy analysis acquired through various professional and leadership development programmes over the course of his public-service career.

Hon. Mukitale is a former Member of Parliament for Buliisa County, where he served for multiple terms. During his tenure in Parliament, he contributed significantly to the Committee on National Economy and was recognized for his strong advocacy on issues of land rights, natural-resource governance, environmental protection, and equitable development in resource-rich regions—particularly the Albertine Graben. His legislative work positioned him as a strong voice on transparency, responsible resource management, and community development.

Beyond Parliament, Hon. Mukitale has been involved in national, regional, and continental dialogues on governance, debt, and development. He has spoken widely on public-sector accountability, economic reforms, and the role of infrastructure in socio-economic transformation. His continued engagement in policy debate has kept him at the forefront of national discourse on corruption, development financing, and structural transformation.



## Dr Ramathan Ggobi

Permanent Secretary/Secretary to the Treasury,  
Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

Ramathan Ggoobi is an accomplished economist and policy analyst currently serving as the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and Secretary to Treasury of the Republic of Uganda.

He has spent most of his career teaching economics at different universities, particularly at Makerere University Business School (MUBS) since January 2008 until he was appointed PS/ST in July 2021.

He headed a think-tank—the MUBS Economic Forum—that made ground breaking research and caused public debates which generated viable policy-related solutions to some of Uganda's economic challenges.

Between September 2017 and September 2020, Ramathan served on the Board of Directors of the Uganda Development Corporation (UDC), the investment arm of the Government of Uganda. At the end of the term, he was rated the best Director both by fellow Directors and Management.

Between June 2020 and July 2021, he served as a Senior Presidential Advisor on National Economy and accomplished several tasks assigned to me by H.E. the President.

Ggoobi has consulted with several organisations including: the International Labour Organisation (ILO); Overseas Development Institute (ODI) UK; Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES); Financial Sector Deepening Uganda (FSDU); Action Coalition for Development and Environment (ACODE), and many others.

As PS/ST, Ramathan has set his agenda to reform the national budget to make it more responsive national development priorities, improve



## **Dr. Cathy Ilikor Mbidde**

Director

Makerere University Innovations Hub

Cathy is the Manager at Makerere University Technology and Innovations Center a state-of-the-art innovation pod with 10 multidisciplinary makerspaces, that nurture innovations for industrialization. She is a lecturer and researcher (Marketing and Entrepreneurship) at Makerere University. Cathy is a Co-Dierctor at the Africa Research Network-University of York (UK), were she builds collaborations between researchers. She has over 15 years' experience in teaching, consulting, mentoring and coaching in marketing, enterprise development, intellectual Property management, business modelling, innovation and commercialization. She is a certified International Labour Organization (ILO) Trainer on the Start and Improve Your Business and Gender Entrepreneurship Together programmes.



**Kate Alinafe Harawa**  
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Kate Alinafe Harawa is an environmental scientist by training, and internationally respected climate resilient WASH and systems change leader with over 25 years of experience advancing resilient water, sanitation, and hygiene services. She currently serves as Director of Influence and Scale at Water For People, Malawi, where she leads national level policy influence, institutional strengthening, and climate adaptive WASH systems that improve service sustainability—particularly for women and girls.+

Kate previously served as Country Director for Water For People–Malawi and has held senior technical and leadership roles with Oxfam (WASH Program Manager) and the Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief (CPAR), where she worked at community and systems levels to build resilience to climate and socio economic

Her governance and leadership experience includes serving on Malawi Government statutory bodies such as the TEVETA Board, and in senior roles within CONGOMA and global WASH platforms such Co-Chair for Agenda For Change and Systems Finance Working Group for Sanitation and Water For All. Across these roles, Kate is recognized for championing accountability, climate resilience, equity, and locally led systems transformation, ensuring WASH services are sustainable, adaptive, and inclusive in the face of climate change.



## **Dr. Paulina Chiwangu,**

UN Women Representative in Uganda

Paulina Chiwangu became UN Women Country Representative in Uganda in August 2022. Ms. Chiwangu has a Doctorate in Philosophy and over 20 years of extensive experience in development and humanitarian work. She has served as Deputy Country Representative with UN Women in South Sudan and as Deputy Country Representative for the UN Women Iraq Country Office, as well as Head of KRG Sub-Office. Before joining UN Women Iraq, she worked with UN Women Bosnia and Herzegovina as a Head of Gender Coordination for the UNDAF. She worked with UN Women in Serbia as interim Head of Office. Prior to that she was heading the UN Inter-Agency Joint Programme on Gender Equality and she was the Acting Country Representative for UN Women office in Uganda for one year. Before joining UN Women, she was the Head of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation, as well as Public Relations Unit for UNDP's Police Reform Programme in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Other positions Ms. Chiwangu held include Technical Advisor (Planning and Monitoring - consultant) for UNFPA, Southern Sudan; Coordination and Monitoring Advisor for UNDP, Zambia; Programme Coordinator for the Centre of Economic Governance and AIDS in Africa, based in South Africa; Deputy Course Director for the Department of Applied Social Studies, at Cork University College in Ireland; Programme Manager in Portland, Oregon, USA for Cascadia Behavioural & Development Healthcare Organization. Ms. Chiwangu also worked as the Head of a Multicultural Radio Programme for the Irish Broadcasting Company in Ireland.

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