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# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## Water and Climate Change Conference - Accelerating Youth Action on Climate Change in Namibia

**August 11<sup>th</sup> 2021 | Windhoek, Namibia**

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Windhoek Office, in partnership with the University of Namibia (UNAM) and Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST), is organizing a Water and Climate Change Conference to accelerate youth action on innovative solutions to address prevailing water challenges and climate change. The main objective of the conference will be to promote awareness and empower young people in advocating and initiating climate change adaptation and mitigation actions for water security in their respective communities. The conference will also be used as a platform to bring together young professionals in water management to establish the UNESCO Intergovernmental Programme (IHP) youth network in Namibia..

### SUBTHEMES

This call is open to all young professionals under 35-years of age or youth-led organisations in the fields of hydrology, environmental and/or any other related sciences. The subthemes are as following:

- Theme 1: Water-related Disasters and Hydrological Changes
- Theme 2: Groundwater in a Changing Environment
- Theme 3: Addressing Water Scarcity and Quality
- Theme 4: Water and Human Settlements of the Future
- Theme 5: Ecohydrology, Engineering Harmony for a Sustainable World
- Theme 6: Water Education, Key to Water Security

### MODALITY

The conference will invite 30 youth representatives to present innovative solutions for water challenges and climate change. Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, the Conference will be hybrid – face-to-face and online. A physical meeting will be held in Windhoek, limited to 50 participants (COVID-19 permitting). The event will be livestreamed through Zoom and Facebook, and open to all for participation..

### ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The abstract of not more than 500 words should be submitted through the link below:

[http://bit.ly/unesco\\_youth\\_conference](http://bit.ly/unesco_youth_conference)

**Submission deadline: July 15<sup>th</sup> 2021**

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