8TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

“WASH Projects in Developing Countries: Lessons Learned”

Where: Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

When: Thursday, March 26, 2015

Keynote Speakers:

† Martha Newsome, Global Director of Health, Nutrition, and WASH, World Vision International

† Vanessa Tobin, Senior Technical Adviser for Water Supply, Sanitation and Water Resources Development for Catholic Relief Services

Other Speakers and Panelists:

† Howard Neukrug, Philadelphia Water Commissioner

† Walter Walker, President of the Mid-Atlantic Professionals Chapter, Engineers Without Borders,

† Susan Davis, Executive Director, Improve International

† Elynn Walter, Sustainability Director, WASH Advocates

† Dr. Jayanti Bandyopadhyay, Professor at the Business School at Salem State University

† Wendy Voet, MPH, Executive Director, Women’s Way

† Karen Young, Director, Fairmount Waterworks

† Doug Blazey, Governor, District 7450, Rotary International

† Murat Sahin, Advisor, WASH in Schools, Program Division, UNICEF

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Areas of Focus:
• Monitoring & Evaluation
• Gender & WASH
• Schools & WASH

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Scholarly Work Submissions

[Research proposals, thesis questions, academic presentations, etc.]

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:
Martha Newsome: Vice President and Global Director of WASH and Global Health, World Vision

Vanessa Tobin: Senior Technical Advisor for Water Supply, Sanitation, and Water Resources Development for Catholic Relief Services

Other speakers include representatives from Engineers Without Borders, UNICEF, WASH Advocates, Improve International, and Women’s Way.

Undergraduate and Graduate students with well-developed research topics related to this year’s conference theme are invited to present their work at the 8th annual Global Water Alliance conference. Presentations will be on an informal basis during breakfast and lunch intermissions. During this time students will have the opportunity to interact with conference panelists, GWA members, and attendees.

All selected participants will receive a complimentary ticket to the conference and following reception at the Fairmount Water.

Interested participants should email jscar@sas.upenn.edu with intent to participate by March 16, 2015. Due to space, presenters will be selected on a first come basis.
The 8th Annual Global Water Alliance Conference
WASH Projects in Developing Countries: Lessons Learned

University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School, Huntsman Hall
3730 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA
March 26, 2015 8am-4pm

Topics to be Discussed...

- Best practices at WASH projects in developing countries
- Monitoring and evaluation, gender, schools
- Bringing best practices to scale

Keynote Speakers:
Vanessa Tobin, Senior Technical Advisor for Water Supply, Sanitation and Water Resources Development for Catholic Relief Services
http://www.crsprogramquality.org

Martha Newsome, World Vision, Vice President and Global Director of WASH and Global Health
http://www.worldvision.org

Expert Panel Topics:
“You Manage What You Measure”
“Always Listen to Your Mother—wash your hands!”
“What Did You Learn In School Today”

8:00am // Registration, Continental Breakfast
8:45am // Call to Order
8:50am // Dr. Reto Giere, Chairman, Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Pennsylvania: Welcome to the University of Pennsylvania and to the 8th Annual GWA Conference [invited]
9:00am // Howard Neukrug, Philadelphia Water Commissioner
9:15am // Keynote Speaker: Vanessa Tobin, Senior Technical Adviser for Water Supply, Sanitation and Water Resources Development for Catholic Relief Services
9:45am // Panel A: Monitoring and Evaluation [“You manage what you measure”]

Moderator: Walter Walker, President, Engineers Without Borders, Philadelphia Chapter
Panelists:
- Susan Davis, Founder and Executive Director, Improve International
- Dr. Catarina Fonseca, IRC International Water and Sanitation Centre (IRC) [invited]
- Doug Blazey, Governor, District 7405, Rotary International

10:25am // Coffee Break and Poster Display
10:45am // Panel B: Gender and WASH [“Always listen to your Mother---wash your hands!”]

Moderator: Aishwarya Nair, University of Pennsylvania graduate
Panelists:
• Elynn Walter, Sustainability Director, WASH Advocates
• Dr Jayanti Bandyopadhyay; Dr. Bandopapdhaya, Professor at the Business School at Salem State University, Boston
• Wendy Voet, MPH, Executive Director, WOMEN’S WAY, University of Pennsylvania

11:35am // WASH and Schools [“What did you learn in school today?”]

Moderator: Karen Young, Director, Fairmount Water Works
Panelists: TBA

12:30pm // Lunch
Keynote Speaker: Martha Newsome, World Vision, Vice President and Global Director of WASH and Global Health

2:00pm // Speed Solutions: Experts and Participants discuss specific solutions. Small groups select three best “lessons learned” for each theme ---M&E, gender, and schools---and propose ideas on how to bring these best practices to scale in the developing world

3:20pm // Speakers and local experts reflect on these proposals from the speed solutions session

4:00pm // Wrap-Up and Closing comments by Angelita Fasnacht-Cuellar, President, Global Water Alliance

4:20pm // Board buses to the reception

5:00-7:00pm // Reception at the historic Fairmount Waterworks on the Schuylkill River

Register for the conference today!

LOGO DESIGN CONTEST
For the 8th Annual
Global Water Alliance Conference

This year’s conference topic is:
WASH Projects in Developing Countries: Lessons Learned
Discussing best practices for implementing and monitoring WASH projects, as well as relevant topics including gender and schools.

DESIGN A LOGO THAT CREATIVELY REPRESENTS THE CONFERENCE TOPIC FOR THE CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR WORK RECOGNIZED!

*The logo will be used in conference materials and publications*

Final Submissions due by March 16, 2015

Please email your submissions to jscar@sas.upenn.edu