

# Caribbean Water & Wastewater Association 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition

## Call for Papers Information and Instruction

### Water Security and Waste Reduction: Sustainability in an Uncertain Climate



The United Nations defines water security as “the capacity of a population to safeguard sustainable access to adequate quantities of acceptable quality water for sustaining livelihoods, human well-being, and socio-economic development, for ensuring protection against water-borne pollution and water-related disasters, and for preserving ecosystems in a climate of peace and political stability.” The Caribbean economy, through the agriculture, tourism, energy and manufacturing sectors are dependent on water as a driver for development. Equally, women, children and the elderly are affected disproportionately by lack of access to clean water and basic sanitation; and are at higher risk of exposure to water and sanitation related diseases. Improved water management including access and water sector resilience creates the avenue for long-term economic growth, improved public health and overall national sustainability.

Waste is an issue across the Caribbean region given the limited land space and natural resources of our SIDS. If not properly dealt with, waste poses a threat to public health and the environment. It is a growing issue linked directly to the way society produces and consumes. Waste management is one of the essential utility services underpinning society, particularly in urban and suburban areas as well as in the coastal environment. Ensuring proper sanitation and solid waste management sits alongside the provision of potable water, shelter and food as essential to society and to the economy. Despite this, the public and political profile of waste management is often lower than other utility services. Unfortunately, the consequences of doing little or even nothing to address waste management can be very costly to society.. There are several approaches to waste management including recycling, reusing and the circular approach. Globally, waste reduction is one of the most sustainable approaches.

#### Thematic Areas 2020

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**Abstract Submission Deadline - 1st May 2020**

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Thank you for choosing to submit your paper to the Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA).

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### Dates and Details

- ⇒ Deadline for abstract submission is **1st May 2020**
- ⇒ Successful authors will be notified on or before **30th June, 2020**
- ⇒ Final paper submissions are due on **31st August 2020**
- ⇒ Only papers submitted by the deadline will be eligible to win the coveted Ron Williams Award
- ⇒ Final digital presentations are due **30th September 2020**
- ⇒ Only the abstracts will be published in the Conference Magazine.
- ⇒ The text of the full papers accepted will be archived in CWWA records for access by Conference participants and members of the CWWA.
- ⇒ If you require any further information, please email [cwwatech@gmail.com](mailto:cwwatech@gmail.com)

### Abstract Format

- ⇒ Authors wishing to present a paper should submit an abstract of no more than 300 words for consideration using the Abstract Submission Form to [cwwatech@gmail.com](mailto:cwwatech@gmail.com)
- ⇒ Abstracts should be in English and contain a Title, Conference thematic area, author/s name/s and full contact details.
- ⇒ All abstracts will be acknowledged electronically within 72 hours of receipt



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