



**34th ANNUAL
CONFERENCE
& EXHIBITION
2025**



Engineering Progress Together:
Collective Action for a
Connected Region.

Conference Brochure

20-24 Oct 2025

San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, Belize, C.A.



About Us

Established in 1991 by a legislative act in Trinidad & Tobago, the Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA) is a regional Non-Governmental Organization(NGO) uniting professionals in water and sanitation from the public and private sectors.

The organization prioritizes critical issues, including water resource stewardship, public health safeguards, and sustainable development. Through collective leadership, the CWWA drives progress in technology, education, policymaking, and water and waste management across the region.

Belize Hosts the 34th Annual CWWA Conference & Exhibition

The 34th Annual CWWA Conference and Exhibition will take place in the beautiful country of Belize: Land of the Free by the Caribbean Sea! The Conference will be hosted in San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, from October 20th to 24th, 2025. This year's theme,

“Engineering Progress Together: Collective Action for a Connected Region,”

underscores the critical role of collaboration in driving development and innovation. It emphasizes the importance of a unified effort among key stakeholders working towards shared objectives that promote progress. The Conference will focus on harnessing the collective knowledge, expertise, and resources of diverse groups to foster a more interconnected, sustainable region. By encouraging cooperation, this theme advocates for the development of systems and solutions that bridge existing gaps, enhance efficiency, and improve the quality of life for individuals across the region.

Exhibition

A cornerstone of the CWWA Annual Conference is the Exhibition, which stands as the Caribbean's premier trade show dedicated to the water and sanitation sectors. This dynamic marketplace brings together industry-leading companies, innovators, service providers, and key stakeholders, creating a unique environment where professionals can explore the latest trends, technologies, and solutions that are shaping the future of the water and sanitation sectors. The exhibition will showcase 40 exhibitors, offering a wide variety of products and services and is anticipated to attract more than 500 participants from the Caribbean,

Central and Latin America, North America, Europe, and the UK.

The Exhibition will run concurrently with the Conference, from October 21st to 23rd, 2025, ensuring that participants can seamlessly transition between technical sessions and the trade show floor. It will be held at the Westroom, Grand Caribe, San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, Belize. This venue offers a vibrant and engaging atmosphere for both exhibitors and attendees alike.

Technical Sessions

The Technical Sessions are a core component of the CWWA Conference & Exhibition, providing a platform for professionals to showcase groundbreaking work, share case studies, and discuss innovative solutions to the region's most pressing water and sanitation challenges. These sessions promote knowledge exchange, interdisciplinary collaboration, and capacity building, ensuring that participants gain valuable insights into emerging trends, best practices, and technological advancements.



In 2025, the technical sessions will focus on six key thematic areas:

Thematic Area I

Empowering Integrated Water Management for Sustainable Prosperity and Climate Action.

Thematic Area II

Innovative and Resilient Water Infrastructure for Sustainable Utility Operations.

Thematic Area III

Ensuring Clean Water and Sanitation through Effective Wastewater Treatment and Pollution Control.

Thematic Area IV

Promoting Sustainability through Effective Solid Waste Management.

Thematic Area V

Fostering Inclusive Growth through Community Outreach and Public awareness.

Thematic Area VI

General Topics

With more than 60 expert presenters expected to participate, attendees will have access to a diverse array of case studies, pilot projects, research findings, and policy discussions, all aimed at enhancing industry standards and promoting sustainable solutions. By integrating technical expertise with real-world applications, the 2025 Technical Sessions will catalyze innovation and sustainable development, empowering stakeholders to address regional challenges and implement forward-thinking solutions in their respective fields.

Session Locations and Schedule

The Technical Sessions will take place from **Tuesday, October 21st, to Thursday, October 23rd, 2025**, across three dedicated venues:

Technical Session 1

Conference Room, Rain Building, Grand Caribe

Technical Session 2

Aqua Room, Rain Building, Grand Caribe

Technical Session 3

Rooftop, Grand Caribe



Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsoring the **CWWA Conference & Exhibition** presents a unique and strategic opportunity for organizations to enhance brand visibility and cultivate meaningful industry relationships. By aligning with this premier event, sponsors gain access to a highly targeted market, allowing them to directly engage with key stakeholders who influence and drive industry advancements.

In addition to promotional benefits, the CWWA Conference provides unparalleled networking and collaboration opportunities. Sponsors will have the chance to interact with influential decision-makers, foster potential partnerships, investment opportunities, and business development prospects.

Moreover, the event's high-profile media coverage and social media engagement ensure that sponsors receive extensive visibility before, during, and after the Conference, further solidifying their reputation as champions of water and sanitation solutions. Investing in sponsorship is not just about brand recognition—it is a strategic move to drive long-term influence, build industry credibility, and contribute to the ongoing transformation of the water and wastewater sectors.

Other Events During Conference Week

Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony will commence on **Monday, October 20th, 2025**, in the **conference room** at Sunset Caribe, San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, Belize, marking the official start of the conference. This prestigious event will welcome distinguished guests, setting the stage for a week of insightful discussions and collaboration. Following the ceremony, a formal ribbon cutting event will take place at the **Westroom**, symbolizing the beginning of the exhibition and technical sessions. Immediately after the ribbon cutting, a business formal cocktail reception will follow, providing an exclusive setting for attendees to establish meaningful connections. This gathering will offer a relaxed yet professional environment. With a blend of refreshments, light entertainment, and stimulating conversations, the reception will serve as a vital platform for fostering collaboration and innovation.

Charity Initiative

As part of the Conference's ongoing commitment to community engagement and social responsibility, the local organizing committee is proud to host a charitable initiative within the host nation. This year, the event will feature a 5k Walk/Run, with all proceeds directed toward supporting the vital work of Hope Haven Children's Home & Empowerment Center (Hope Haven). Hope Haven is a distinguished non-profit organization dedicated to providing a safe and nurturing environment for children who have been neglected or subjected to physical and sexual abuse. In addition to its crucial work in

child protection, Hope Haven has established an Empowerment Centre, which offers a range of educational and support services to vulnerable children and women. These services are designed to provide opportunities for personal growth, skill development, and improved socio-economic prospects.

The contributions generated through the 5k Walk/Run event will directly support these initiatives, helping to further the organization's mission of fostering healing, empowerment, and resilience within the communities it serves. The organizing committee encourages all participants to join in this meaningful cause, demonstrating solidarity and support for the ongoing efforts of Hope Haven.

Cultural Night

Cultural Night is a highly anticipated event at the annual Conference, showcasing the rich heritage of the host country. This captivating celebration brings together music, dance, cuisine, and artistic expressions in a vibrant showcase. This immersive experience provides a unique opportunity for attendees to gain a deeper appreciation of Belize's rich cultural tapestry, shaped by its diverse influences, including Maya, Creole, Garifuna, Mestizo, and Caribbean traditions.

Set against the stunning backdrop of the Beach Side at **Grand Caribe, San Pedro, Ambergris Caye, on October 21st, 2025**, this spectacular evening will transport guests into the heart of Belizean culture. Dignitaries, industry leaders, and international delegates will be welcomed with warm hospitality as they indulge in a carefully curated program featuring live performances by talented musicians.

A highlight of the evening will be the culinary experience, where guests can savour an array of authentic Belizean delicacies, from flavourful Garifuna dishes to beloved traditional favourites such as rice and beans and stewed chicken, the menu promises to delight!

Cultural Night is more than just an evening of entertainment—it is a celebration of Belize's identity and heritage, offering an unforgettable experience that fosters cross-cultural appreciation and strengthens professional and personal connections among attendees. This enchanting event promises to be a memorable occasion, leaving participants with a deepened admiration for the spirit and traditions of Belize. Adding to the night's excitement is the much-anticipated **Water and Rum Tasting Competition**. This spirited contest, which has become a beloved tradition of the Conference, invites delegates to participate in a friendly competition that highlights the unique flavours and characteristics of water sources and locally crafted rum. The announcement of the winners is sure to bring a lively and celebratory energy to the evening.

Closing Ceremony and Awards Cocktail

On **October 23rd, 2025**, the Conference will conclude with a distinguished awards cocktail, an event dedicated to celebrating excellence, innovation, and impactful contributions within the water and wastewater industry. This gathering will create a refined yet engaging atmosphere where attendees can reflect on the week's achievements while fostering valuable connections.

A highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the prestigious Ron Williams and Ivan Rodrigues awards, recognizing individuals and organizations that have demonstrated outstanding expertise and dedication in their respective fields.

The **Ron Williams Award** will be given to the **author of the best technical paper**, while the **Ivan Rodrigues Award** will be presented to the exhibitor with **the most outstanding booth**. Awards for the Water and Rum Tasting Competition will also be distributed.

As the ceremony draws to a close, the event will culminate with the symbolic Passing of the CWWA Flag—a tradition signifying the transition of Conference leadership. The outgoing Conference Chair will formally pass the flag to the next host country, marking the official handover and setting the stage for the following year's event.

With an atmosphere of celebration, appreciation, and anticipation for the future, the awards cocktail promises to be a fitting conclusion to a week of insightful discussions, knowledge exchange, and meaningful engagement!

Technical Tour

On **October 24th, 2025**, conference attendees will have a unique opportunity to participate in specialized, guided technical tours that offer firsthand insights into Belize's approach to water resources management and marine conservation. These tours provide an immersive educational experience, allowing participants to explore the infrastructure of the Belize Water Services water treatment plant and Belize's vibrant natural ecosystems.

Delegates will have the option to visit a modern water treatment facility, where they will observe the innovative processes used to ensure clean and safe potable water. Experts will provide in-depth explanations on the desalination process. This tour is ideal for professionals seeking to enhance their knowledge of water management solutions, particularly in the context of climate resilience and resource efficiency.

Technical Tour

Alternatively, attendees can choose to explore one of Belize's most treasured marine sanctuaries, Hol Chan Marine Reserve. Its thriving ecosystem supports over 220 marine species, including schools of fish, sea turtles, rays, and nurse sharks.

The reserve is particularly renowned for its remarkable coral formations, such as brain coral, boulder coral, and Staghorn coral, which create essential habitats for countless marine organisms. These intricate reef structures serve as both a refuge and a breeding ground for a vast array of invertebrates and fish, playing a crucial role in maintaining the region's ecological balance.

Both technical tour options promise to be enriching experiences, offering attendees a deeper appreciation of the vital intersection between industry, sustainability, and environmental stewardship. Whether exploring cutting-edge water treatment technology or diving into the extraordinary marine biodiversity of Hol Chan, delegates will gain valuable knowledge and inspiration to bring back to their respective fields.

Key Highlight

Renowned Keynote Speakers

Gain knowledge from top experts in the field.

Cutting-Edge Technical Sessions

Explore developments in water management, sanitation, and sustainability.

Innovative Exhibits

Discover the latest industry technologies and solutions.

Networking Opportunities

Connect with peers, industry leaders, and decision-makers.

Pre-Conference Workshops

Enhance your expertise through targeted training sessions.

Guided Technical Tours

Visit state-of-the-art water and waste facilities.

Cultural Excursions

Experience the diverse heritage of Belize.



Summary of conference activities

Activity	Date	Time
Opening Ceremony	Monday, October 20 th , 2025	6:30 p.m.
Exhibition Hall Ribbon-Cutting	Monday, October 20 th , 2025	Immediately following the Opening Ceremony
Charity Event	Tuesday, October 21 st , 2025	6:30 a.m.
Cultural Night	Tuesday, October 21 st , 2025	6:30 p.m.
Closing Ceremony & Awards Cocktail	Thursday, October 23 rd , 2025	6:30 p.m.
Technical Tours	Friday, October 24 th , 2025	7:00 a.m.

Registration Details

Registration Type	Member	Non-Member
Early Bird Rate on or before 31st May 2025	US \$450	US \$550
Regular Registration 1st June - 30th September 2025	US \$550	US \$650
Late Registration After 30th September 2025	US \$600	US \$750
Student Registration Same rate: early bird regular or late	US \$250	US \$300
Daily Rate	US \$300	US \$400

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