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WELCOME MESSAGES



LI Guoying

Minister of Water Resources of the
People's Republic of China

The 3rd Asia International Water Week (AIWW) is set to take place this September in Beijing, China. On behalf of the Ministry of Water Resources of the People's Republic of China, the co-host of the 3rd AIWW, I am pleased to invite water professionals and NGO representatives from around the world to join this event. Shining the spotlight on Enhancing Our Future Water Security, the 3rd AIWW aims to share water governance practices and successes in Asia, and pool collective wisdom to address global water challenges.

Human civilizations have originated, developed and thrived around water and its proper protection and utilization transcend all peoples and nations. Particularly in the current and the foreseeable future, intensifying climate change impacts and human activities are making water challenges, including water disasters, water shortages, ecosystem degradation, and water environment damage, overcast and compound each other. How to enable better water governance for a water secure world becomes a matter of universal urgency.

The water governance philosophy proposed by Chinese President Xi Jinping - "prioritizing water conservation, pursuing spatially balanced development, conducting systematic governance and harnessing the synergy of government and market" - guides the water practices in China. Accordingly, such practices are problem-oriented, emphasize preparedness for worst cases, put risk prevention in the foremost place, adhere to systematic and innovative thinking, and address water challenges in a coordinated manner. Historic improvements are made in terms of stronger prevention and mitigation against disasters, more efficient and effective water use, optimized water resources allocation, and improved ecosystems and environment of rivers and lakes. With only 6% of the world's freshwater resources, China manages to secure food and drinking water supply for nearly 20% of the world's population, and contributes more than 18% of the global total economic output. These achievements don't belong just to China. They belong to the collective progress of the water-related goals of the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and represent a major step toward building a community with a shared future for mankind.

The Asia International Water Week, initiated by the Asia Water Council (AWC), is a pivotal international gathering dedicated to seeking actionable solutions for Asian water issues and promoting sustainable development and win-win cooperation in this region. Themed "Enhancing Our Future Water Security", the 3rd AIWW dives into a spectrum of relevant topics among its rich activities. Through strengthened dialogues and deepened cooperation, I hope we can build platforms for water-related collaborations using water governance experiences from among us. Jointly, let's chart a new chapter of a shared water future for all.

See you all in Beijing!

WELCOME MESSAGES



Yun, Seog Dae

President of the Asia Water Council

Water is the source of all life. However, global challenges such as the climate crisis are intensifying water issues worldwide. One of the regions suffering the most from climate impacts is Asia, and it is more vulnerable than other regions to climate change and water management.

The water problems in the Asian region, which is relatively vulnerable to water security, must be urgently resolved. Furthermore, cooperation in the water field for a sustainable society is essential to meeting the challenges of the international community.

In this context, the Asia Water Council (AWC) is a leading water cooperation platform that provides practical solutions to water issues and is actively pursuing collaboration with the United Nations to amplify its voice worldwide.

As a flagship event of the AWC, the Asia International Water Week (AIWW) derives practical solutions for Asian water problems through the engagement of all stakeholders in the water sector in Asia and beyond, including governments, international organizations, academia, private sectors, and NGOs.

The 1st AIWW & 2nd AIWW were successfully held in the Republic of Korea (2017) and Indonesia (2022), and the upcoming 3rd AIWW will be held in Beijing, China.

Under the theme Enhancing Our Future Water Security, the program of the 3rd AIWW includes: An announcement of a statement emphasizing the importance of solving the climate crisis, improving water welfare, and solving Asian water problems and urging participation for implementation; The Asian Water Issues Session will provide a venue to explore Asia's urgent water issues and policy and technical solutions; The Water Project Business Forum, Exhibitions, and other activities will be held to discuss the discovery and development of innovative technologies and projects to respond to global climate change and various water agenda.

Now that the world is paying attention to water issues, this 3rd AIWW will be a valuable opportunity to gather your thoughts and visions. This will greatly contribute to realizing water welfare and achieving prosperity in the Asian region.

We sincerely welcome all stakeholders in the water sector around the world to the 3rd AIWW to achieve the Water Action Agenda based on the SDG 6 global acceleration framework!

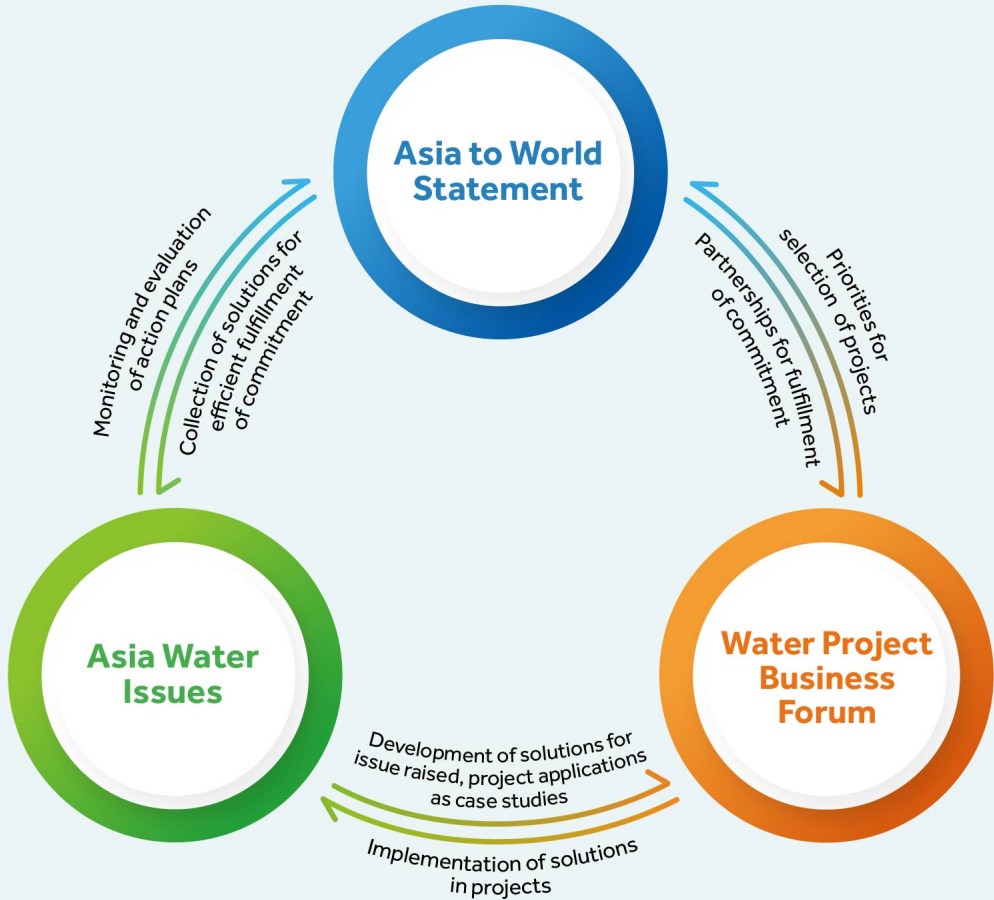
ABOUT THE 3rd AIWW

The Asia International Water Week (AIWW), initiated by the Asia Water Council (AWC) since 2017, punctuates the international calendar in three years as Asia's most influential gathering of water-related multi-stakeholders. The 2nd AIWW, was held in an online-offline hybrid way in Indonesia in March 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The 3rd AIWW is co-hosted by AWC and the Ministry of Water Resources of the People's Republic of China (MWR) and lead-organized by China Institute of Water Resources and Hydropower Research (IWHR), and is set to take place from September 23 to 28, 2024, in Beijing.



3rd AIWW
Beijing, China (2024)

THREE PILLARS OF THE 3rd AIWW



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Asia Water Issues

01

Innovative Strategies and Policies

- Water security strategy under a changing environment
- Water institution for saving and protection
- PPP for government-market synergy
- Multiple stakeholders' participation in water governance

02

Digital Transformation in Water Management

- Multi-source observation and perception of water systems
- Application of big data and AI in water management
- Digital technologies for water management and operation
- Sustainable water projects and the UN 2030 SDGs

03

Water Disasters and Climate Change

- Defense against catchment extreme flood disaster under the influence of climate change
- Integration of structural and non-structural measures in flash flood prevention
- Urban flooding and emergency measures in extreme rainfall events
- Circumstances of extreme drought and coping strategies under the influence of climate change
- Monitoring, forecast, early warning, natural based solution, and contingency measures for water-related disasters under the influence of climate change

04

Water for Food and Energy Security

- Ensuring water supply for food and energy production
- Improving water-use efficiency for food and energy production
- Energy use and carbon cycle for sustainable hydropower development
- Emerging technologies and governance for WEF nexus

05

Water and Watershed Ecosystem

- River ethics: building harmony between human and river
- Sustainable surface and ground water management
- Freshwater biodiversity restoration: nature-based solutions (NBS)
- Environmental flows for multiple protection targets

06

Knowledge Base and Dissemination

- Water education for the youth
- Capacity building and technology transfer
- Dissemination of good practices
- Inheritance and development of water culture

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Asia to World Statement

Identifying most-concerned **Asian water issues** + Reflecting and delivering **Asian voice** to global society



THREE PILLARS OF THE 3rd AIWW

Water Project Business Forum



An arena for G2B & B2B meetings in order to directly engage both the governments and the private sector to fully support Asia water projects.



An opportunity to match appropriate actors to showcase various technologies and knowledge to appropriately match those with the water issues across the world.





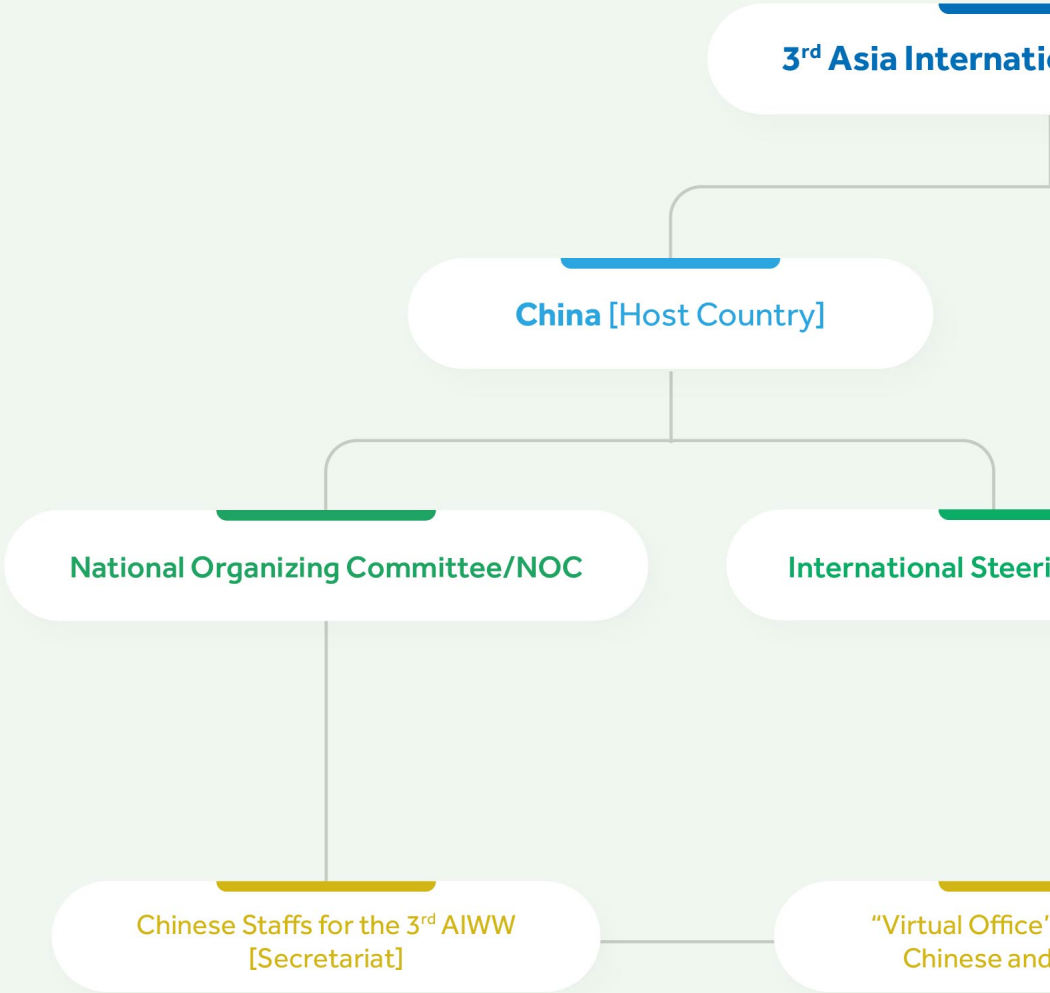
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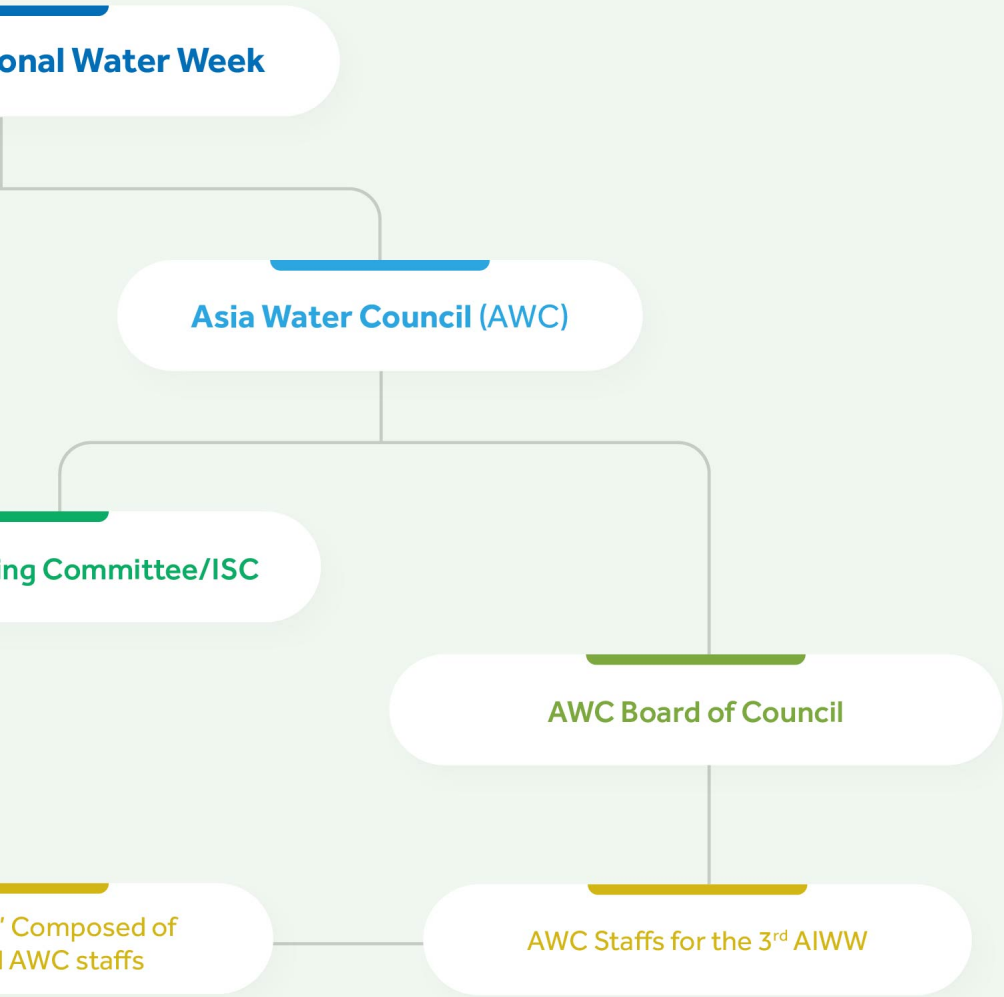
Date/Time	Morning	Afternoon	Night	Whole day		
Sept. 23 (Mon)		BoC Meeting				
Sept. 24 (Tue)	Opening Ceremony	High-level Roundtable	Welcome Banquet	Exhibition		
		Parallel Sessions				
	Plenary Session I	Special/Side Events				
Sept. 25 (Wed)	Plenary Session II	Water CEO Roundtable Meeting			Exhibition	
		Parallel Sessions				
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Sept. 26 (Thu)	Plenary Session III	Closing Ceremony	Buffet Dinner			Exhibition
	Parallel Sessions					
Sept. 27-28 (Fri & Sat)	Technical & Cultural Visits					

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GOVERNING BODY





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REGISTRATION

Early-bird registration is open until **July 31, 2024**.

Category		3 Days Pass		1 Day Pass	
		Early Bird	Regular	Early Bird	Regular
International Participants	Regular	USD 350	USD 450	USD 150	USD 200
	Press/Media	Free (Invited)			
	Non OECD Countries	USD 300	USD 350	USD 120	USD 150
	Student	USD 140	USD 180	USD 55	USD 75
Chinese Participants	Regular	RMB 1800	RMB 2400	RMB 700	RMB 900
	Press/Media	Free (Invited)			
	Student	RMB 750	RMB 1000	RMB 300	RMB 400
Technical and Cultural Visits	Beijing Local Route	South-to-North Water Diversion Project and Great Wall			
	Yangtze River Route	Three Gorges Project and Scenery Tour (2 Days)			
	Yellow River Route	Xiaolangdi Water Conservancy Project, Longmen Grottoes and Yellow River Museum (2 Days)			
	Hangzhou Route	Beijing-Hangzhou Canal (Hangzhou Section) and National Water Museum of China (2 Days)			
Exhibition	26 Special Booth (6mx3m)		USD 5000 (RMB 35000)		
	31 Standard Booth (3mx2m)		USD 2000 (RMB 14000)		

3-Day Pass Benefits:

- Includes lunch on the 24th, 25th, 26th.
- Includes the Gala Dinner on the evening of the 24th.
- Access to all conference sessions, including plenary speech and keynote speech.
- Access to all exhibition areas throughout the event.
- A conference kit, including a conference handbook and other materials.
- Conference coffee breaks.

1-Day Pass Benefits:

- Includes lunch on the selected day.
- For those with a 1-Day Pass on the 24th, it also includes the Gala Dinner on the evening of the 24th.
- Access to conference sessions on the selected day, including plenary speech and keynote speech.
- Access to all exhibition areas on the selected day.
- A conference kit, including a conference handbook and other materials.
- Conference coffee breaks on the selected day.

HOST CITY: BEIJING

Beijing is the capital of China and one of its ancient capitals. It is the world's most populous national capital city, with over 21 million residents. Beijing is a global city and one of the world's leading centers for culture, diplomacy, politics, finance, business and economics, education, research, language, tourism, media, sport, science and technology and transportation.

Beijing is known for its numerous historical monuments and a well-preserved culture. Also, home to the Great wall of China, the city is a hub for tourists from all around the world. Aside from a rich history, the city boasts modern architecture and a contemporary lifestyle. Not to mention the food scene, Beijing is undeniably the most food-obsessed city on earth. Popular destinations include the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, and the fascinating Summer Palace.



VENUE OF THE 3rd AIWW



Beijing International Convention Center (BICC)

Beijing International Convention Center is a five-star convention center owned by the Beijing North Star Industrial Group LLC. Located in the Beijing Olympic Business District, it has a view of the Beijing Olympic venues to the north, the Fourth Ring Road to the north, and it is situated directly east of the Beijing North Star Continental Grand Hotel, with which it shares indoor links. Since 2002, the center has partnered with the Beijing North Star Continental Grand Hotel to deliver a seamless business experience. By integrating the business operations, it provides conference, exhibit, office, residence, entertainment, and shopping services under one roof.

TECHNICAL AND CULTURAL VISITS

Beijing Local Route

South-to-North Water Diversion Project and Great Wall



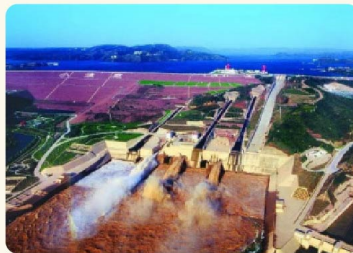
Yangtze River Route

Three Gorges Project and Scenery Tour



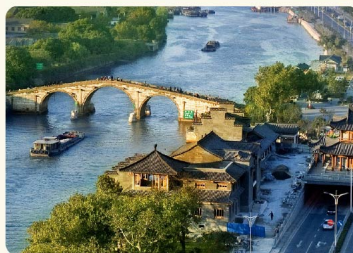
Yellow River Route

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Hangzhou Route

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