

Road to Bari

Connecting Water Challenges, Knowledge and Solutions



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- Bari, Italy | 28 June – 2 July 2027



Challenges



Knowledge



Solutions

Road to Bari connects authorities, science and industry to identify priority water challenges, share knowledge and develop solutions to address them.

Scientific framework



Climate Change
Adaptation & Mitigation



Water for the Energy Transition,
Food Security & Nature



Improving Resilience to
Water Hazards & Disasters



Digital Transformation

Process



Sessions & Workshops
OPEN UNTIL Nov 2026



Abstract Submissions
Sep – Dec 2026



Rolling Selection
Aug 2026 – Jan 2027



Presentation in Bari
28 Jun – 2 Jul 2027

Challenge table

(Identified by cities & basin authorities)



Digital Water & Decision Intelligence

Harnessing data and digital innovation for smarter decisions.



Climate Adaptation & Extreme Events

Building resilience to climate risks and extreme events.



Water Reuse & Circular Cities

Closing the loop for sustainable and liveable urban environments.



Ageing Infrastructure & Asset Management

Sustainable management and modernisation of water infrastructure.



Basins & Cities

Integrating urban and basin water systems holistically.

Journey

AUG 26



Challenge Definition

Participating authorities identify one priority water challenge.

SEP 26



Open Call

IAHR launches an international call for knowledge and solutions.

DEC 26



Responses

Scientists, practitioners and organisations submit ideas and experiences.

JAN 27



Selection & Preparation

The most relevant challenges and responses are refined for presentation.

JUN 27



42nd IAHR World Congress

Selected challenges, solutions and partners come together in Bari.

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Peer Authority Sessions



City & Basin Challenge Exchange



High-Level Panel & Keynotes



Scientific Sessions & Innovation Space



Oral & Poster Presentations



Access Technical Resources



Solutions Space & Exhibition



Industry Leadership Forum



Sponsorship & Visibility Opportunities



Knowledge Exchange



Co-creation of Solutions



Partnerships & Alliances



Implementation & Impact



Connect with Leading Experts



B2B & B2C Opportunities



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