



SIDE EVENT DESCRIPTION FORM 2.

10TH WORLD WATER FORUM

This Session Description 2 is for the specified program of the side event. Please complete this form no later than **22nd of April 2024.**

**The session description 1 (online form) is separately requested for the session coordinators to deliver a concise session outline with the contact info and the logistical requests.*

Session Code and Title:

SE 48 The Many Faces of Drought: Monitoring Societal Impacts and Building Resilience

Side Event Coordinators (Name, Position, Organization, email, mobile number):

Session coordinator and moderator:

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Session Description including objectives and expected outcomes (500 words maximum):

Drought is one of the most impactful, widespread climate-related disasters that commonly leads to significant economic and societal consequences. For example, droughts over the last century have caused numerous severe famines resulting in more deaths than any other climate-related disasters. Due to climate change, drought events will likely continue to increase in severity and frequency, which increases the economic and societal impacts of these events. Although better early warning systems have improved our ability to respond to drought events, much work is needed on implementing the appropriate responses to reduce societal impacts due to drought. It is important to address these issues to lessen the burden of future climate change. The purpose of this session is to highlight societal impacts from drought and discuss opportunities to utilize early warning systems to reduce impacts. The goal is to highlight pathways to decrease impacts by building more resilient systems (agricultural, public health, water resources, etc.) to drought. The targeted audience for this session is decision- and policymakers and resource managers interested in learning more about drought impacts on society and engaging in opportunities to address these impacts. The outcome of this session is to facilitate a more thorough discussion of drought impacts on society and showcasing opportunities to help build better drought resilience.

Detailed Session plan : *F/M indicates Female or Male

ESTIMATED TIMING	ITEM DESCRIPTION / ROLE	SPEAKERS	SPEAKERS STATUS (OK OR TBC)
10 minutes	Drought Monitoring and Resilience	Mark Svoboda (M)	OK
10 minutes	IWMI Work on Drought Resilience	Rachael McDonnell (F)	OK
10 minutes	Drought Risk Management	Daniel Tsegai (M)	OK
10 minutes	Resilient Food Systems to Cope with Drought	Claudia Ringler (F)	OK
10 minutes	Lessons from Indonesia	Ardhasena Sopaheluwakan (M)	OK



10 minutes	Reducing Health Burdens from Drought	Jesse Bell (M)	OK

Additional information:

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