

**WATER
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Public Water Museums **Sustainability and Inclusion**

A few introductory notes

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ONE DAY, SON,
THIS WILL ALL
BE YOURS...



Chris Jordan - Midway: Message from the Gyre 2009 - ongoing



GROWING IMPACTS OF WATER POLLUTION

Benoit Aquin Dust Bowl China, 2016



... AND CLIMATE CHANGE



**NEED TO BRIDGE
PAST & PRESENT WATER HERITAGE**

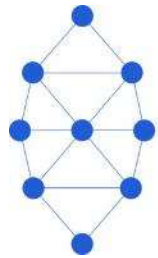
H. Ljungh, Waterfall prayer, 2010



**INSPIRE PEOPLE AND CREATE NEW
EMOTIONAL BONDS WITH WATER**



INVOLVING LARGER AUDIENCES



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Resolution XXIII-5 (2018)

**«The Global Network of Water
Museums and UNESCO-IHP in support
of water sustainability education and
water awareness efforts»**

**A NETWORK INCLUDING NOT ONLY MUSEUMS BUT
ALSO THE TANGIBLE + INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND
THE “LIVING” WATER HERITAGE (COMMUNITIES)**

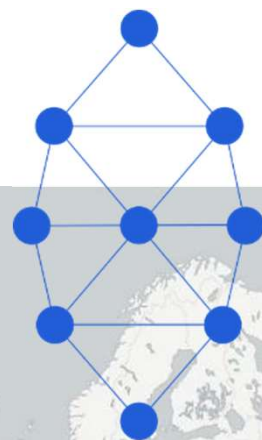


Museums are key institutions for exhibiting water history, transmitting our watery past to future generations, and to ensure an understanding of the value of water

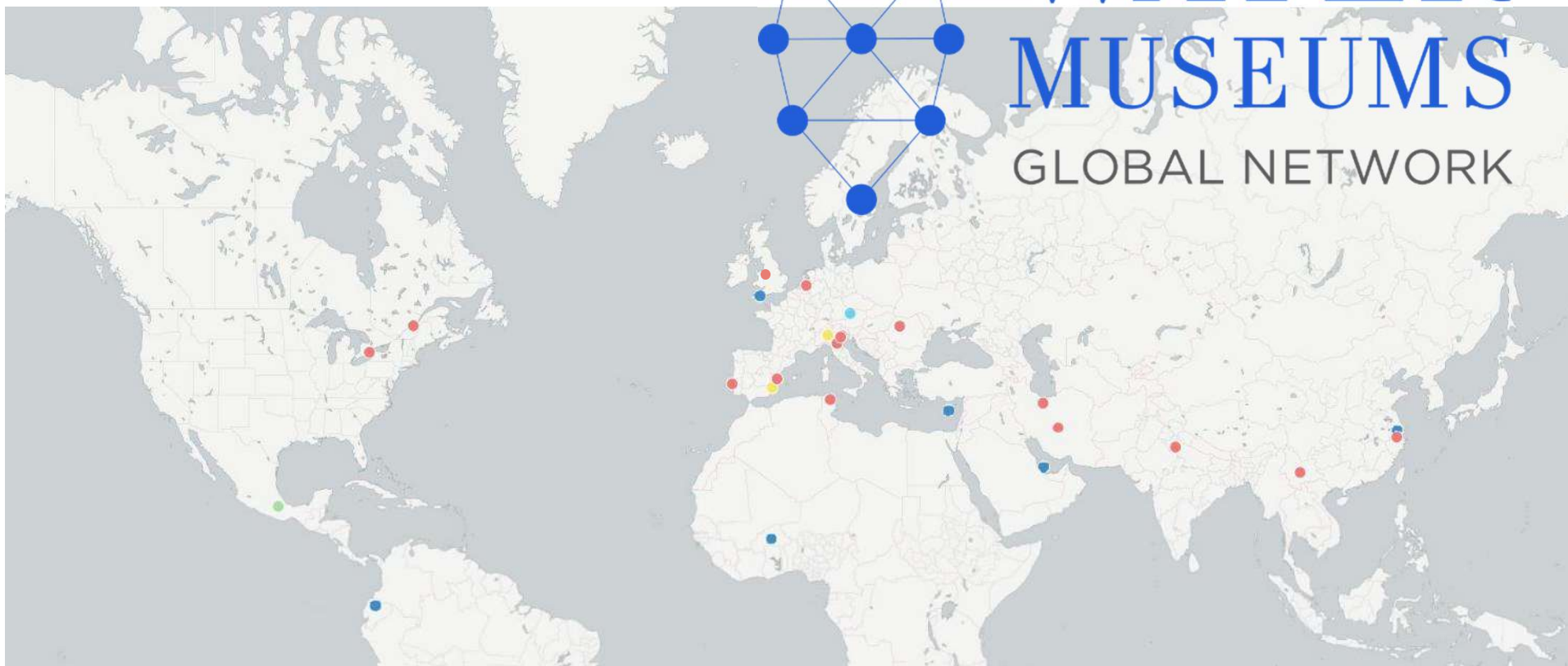


150th anniversary of OSE and the inauguration of the water museum of Uruguay are key tools for transmitting the similarities and diversities of our liquid roots and memories

MEMBERS



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> 70 Water Museums all over the world
> 28 different States
+ 30.000.000 Visitors/ Year (ante COVID)

MEMBERS

AFRICA (n.2)

- BURKINA FASO (1)
- MOROCCO (1)

ASIA (n.12)

- BANGLADESH (1)
- CHINA (4)
- INDIA (3)
- IRAN (1)
- QATAR (1)
- SOUTH KOREA (1)
- TURKEY (1)

EUROPE (n.45)

- AUSTRIA (2)
- BELGIUM (2)
- CROATIA (1)
- FRANCE (1)
- GERMANY (2)
- GREECE (2)
- HUNGARY (1)
- IRELAND (1)
- ITALY (11)
- PORTUGAL (2)
- ROMANIA (3)
- SPAIN (4)
- THE NETHERLANDS (11)
- UNITED KINGDOM (2)

THE AMERICAS (n.5)

- ECUADOR (1)
- MÉXICO (2)
- URUGUAY (1)
- USA (1)

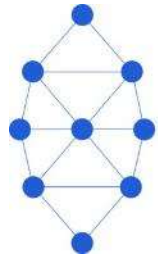
Benefits for WAMU-NET members

- **Being part of a worldwide network of water museums and share experience with them**
- **The WAMU-NET web site and our Newsletters provide international visibility to all water museums**
- **Possibility to participate to international conferences, seminars, webinars, training activities, etc**
- **Participation to communication campaigns and special projects on education (Youth Contest and Award «The Water We Want»)**
- **Use of UNESCO-IHP logo (following guidelines shared with UNESCO-IHP National Committees)**

Annual meetings / conferences

- **2017: Venice, Italy**
- **2018: Den Bosch, Holland**
- **2018: Wuhan, China**
- **2019: Valencia, Spain**
- **2020: Hangzhou, China (cancelled)**
- **2021: Marrakech, Morocco (postponed)**





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From 2022: 'Phase 2' of WAMU-NET

***Managing the continuously
developing network and
increasing activities***



New Resolution adopted by IHP Intergovernmental Council (6-2021)

**«UNESCO-IHP IN SUPPORT OF
DEVELOPING FURTHER THE GLOBAL
NETWORK OF WATER MUSEUMS»**



New Resolution - Main contents

1) Further growing of the network:

the IHP Secretariat has a mandate to contact Member States and IHP National Committees that will identify new water museums and invite them to join WAMUNET

2) Possible direct support from Member States:

through in-kind contributions or direct financial support to WAMU-NET

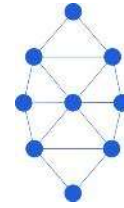
Upcoming Activities

- **Training activities for the staff of water museums organized by the UNESCO Chair in Venice titled «Water, Heritage & SDGs» (2021-2024)**
- **3rd Edition of the Youth Award *The Water We Want* (2022)**
- **Participation to the 9th World Water Forum, Senegal (2022)**
- **5th International Conference of the Network: Marrakech, Morocco (TBC)**
- **Global Collaborative Digital Exhibition on «Water Memories» (TBC)**
- **Project aimed at twinning water museums in Africa (TBC)**

JOIN NOW!



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**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
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