



**WATER
MUSEUMS**
GLOBAL NETWORK



16th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

25 June 2025

Agenda – OoB (Order of Business)

1. Opening of the meeting and appointment of the Chair
2. Approval of the Record of last General Assembly (Dec. 2024)
3. Online Awarding Ceremony: 6th Youth Contest 'The Water We Want' (2025)
4. 50th Anniversary of UNESCO-IHP: WAMU-NET awarded by UNESCO for its longstanding contribution
5. Status of 2024 and 2025 Annual Membership Contributions (received until June 15th)
6. Approval of the Budget 2024

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7. 6th WAMU-NET International Conference in Brasilia (4-8 November 2025)
8. Presentation of new WAMU-NET Members (1st semester 2025)
9. Water Film Prize 'Back to Our Future' (deadline: 20 Sept.).
Presentation of the new video teaser produced by LTAW
10. AOB - Proposals and suggestions from the members
11. Closing of the meeting

OoB n. 1 - Opening of the Plenary and appointment of the Chair

Eddy
Moors
Netherlands



Chen
Yongming,
China



Sara
Ahmed,
India



Abdenbi
El Mandour,
Morocco



OoB n.2

Approval of the Record
of the last General Assembly

December 2024

15th GA – General Assembly

Key points :

- Approval of the Forecast Budget for the year 2025 (art.16)
- Approval of 2025 annual Memberships
- Report on activities carried out in 2024 and planned for 2025
- Starting of 2 new EU-funded projects 'Soil Tribes' + 'AquaMotion'
- Welcome of 9 new members (22 in total in 2024)

To check the Record and collect the names of all present members, please:

- Check if you / your institution are in the correct list among the present (or not present) members of the Record of the last GA
 - Notify any discrepancy to Monica Benetazzo:
mail@watermuseums.net

For this GA, please write your complete name /affiliation / museum in the chat box, so that we can identify the members who are present today

OoB n.3

Online Award Ceremony:
6th Edition of the Youth Contest
'The Water We Want'

Presented by: Lucrezia Gigante (Contest manager)

OoB n.4

50th Anniversary of UNESCO-IHP:
WAMU-NET awarded by UNESCO
for its longstanding contribution



RECOGNITION OF LONG-STANDING CONTRIBUTORS TO IHP



A 'longstanding' contribution....

.... which started in 2017 ...

Today, water museums are considered by UNESCO as 'key actors' to promote water sustainability education

The WAMUNET network is considered in the Phase 9 of IHP

IHP-IX Strategic Plan

of the Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme

Science for a Water Secure World
in a Changing Environment

Ninth Phase 2022-2029

Strategic Plan 2022-2029 - Phase 9 of IHP -

WAMU-NET is included among the key institutions to promote «water sustainability education»
2.1.(119):

“The Global Network of Water Museums will be mobilized in raising awareness and improving water culture of citizenS”

New video (produced by LTAW) for WAMU-NET's side event



<https://vimeo.com/1095561210>

Special issue of the Blue Papers on Ancient Hydro-Technologies (AHTs)



24 case studies of AHTs

Curated by

C. Hein, S. Sliwinska and
M. D'Agostino

UNESCO Chair, TU Delft
«Water, Ports, and Historic
Cities»

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OoB n.5

Status of Annual Memberships 2024
Missing contributions

6 missing contributions (out of +120 members)

Missing Memberships – year 2024 (totaling € 2.600):

1. Changjiang Civilization Museum – Wuhan – China
2. Natural History Museum of Venice – Venice – Italy
3. Regional Park Po Delta, Veneto – Rovigo – Italy
4. Water Museum of Ohrid - Ohrid - Macedonia
5. Museum of Water - London/*travelling* – UK
6. I am Water - New York – USA

OoB n.6

Approval of the Budget 2024

	Revenues and costs 2024	31/12/2024						
account	revenues		€		account	COSTI		€
	Membership Fees		64.759		75.07	Goods Purchases		3.227
730161	Membership Fees (Ordinary + Silver and Gold)	64.759				Costs for services:		
	(€ 42.059 Ordinary members + € 22.700 Silver and Gold members)				780133	- Gigante Lucrezia		12.000
	Other revenues		19.250		780133	- La Spada Giuseppe		-
730150	Project Credit (EU funded project for AQUAPLAY)	13.038			780133	- Experts Art D'Etudes (Morocco water mill)		5.157
730150	Series of Webinars with IHE DELFT	2.200			780133	- Iwayan Tony Gunadhi		-
730150	Fundraising for the Morocco mill	3.747			780133	- Laura Micieli		-
730150	other	265			780133	- Anna Fabbricotti		-
					780133	- Letizia Domenico		52
						Costs for staff:		
					7803 e 7801	- Charlery Marie-Pierre		10.012
					7803 e 7801	- Schiavon Stefania		11.438
					7801	- Cotrona Alberto		6.860
					7801	- Alice Chautard		600
					7801	- Massimo Giacometti		2.900
					7801	- Gabriele Melegari		-
					7801	- Gioele Piacentino		189
					780101	administrative services (Studio Lenarda e Agnoli)		2.633
					790507	Accounting services (Linden)		1.830
					790521	Insurances		882
					800703	Software		1.782
					830711	Membership of WAMU-NET to Civiltà dell' Acqua		1.000
					830751	5th Conference Porto compensation for the Field Trip		-
					830762	Prize The Water we want (€ 300 x 6 winners)		1.800
					7905	Others		227
					86.01	Bank account expenses		349
					7901 e altri	Missions and project development:		
						- Bali		19.428
						- Porto		4.846
						- Other		8.904
	Totale revenues		84.009			Totale Costs		96.116
	Loss		-12.107					

Final Result : (-) 12.107 €

Revenues (€ 84.009)

75% from memberships; 25% other projects

Total amount of memberships: € 64.759

(of which: 65% 'Ordinary' and 35% 'Gold').

Ordinary members = <50% of revenues

WAMU-NET can not survive only with

Ordinary Memberships: it heavily depends
from other revenues

Costs (€ 96.116)

45% staff costs

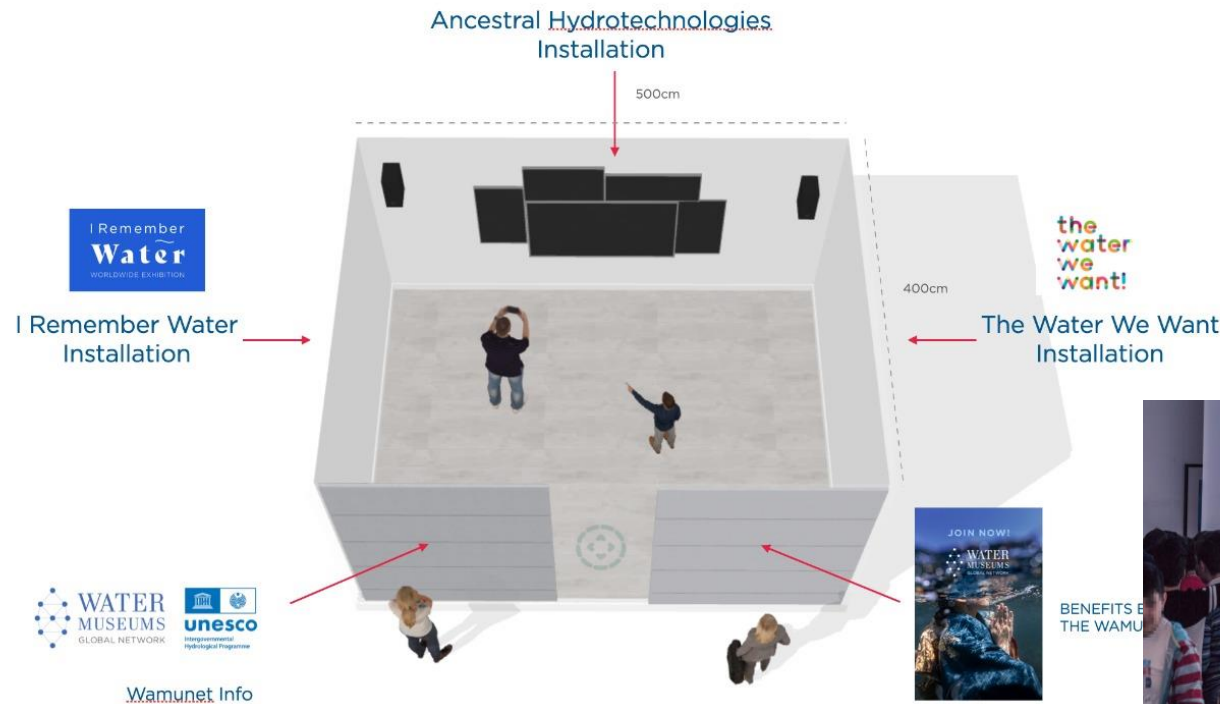
25% Bali exhibition + Porto Conference

20% other costs

10% missions

(The cost of the Director is not included)

Without the support of the Province of
Trento the final loss would be (-) 40.000 €



Multi-channel, immersive video installation
officially launched in Bali by WAMU-NET

New WAMU-NET Office in Trento



Status of 2025 Annual Membership Contributions

**No.38 Pending memberships (1/3 of members)
totaling € 19.850 (45% of Ordinary memberships)**

Australia (1); Austria (1); Belgium (1); China (3); Colombia (2);
Cuba (1); Czech Republic (1); Denmark (1); France (1); Greece
(1); Indonesia (1); Italy (12); Netherlands (3); Portugal (2);
Qatar (1); Romania (1); Turkey (1); USA (4).

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6th WAMU-NET International Conference in Brasilia (4-8 November)



MINA

MEMORIAL INTERNACIONAL DA ÁGUA



Agência Reguladora de Águas, Energia
e Saneamento Básico do Distrito Federal

Director: Rogerio Rosso

6th WAMU-NET International Conference

Brasilia, 4-8 November 2025

Climate Change and Adaptation

MINA - International Water Memorial



Designed by Oscar Niemeyer

6th Conference

Day 1: Climate Change and Adaptations

Day 2: Water Cloud (Education Repository), Winners of the water Film Prize 'Back to Our Future'

Day 3 : GA (toward the new Management Board 2026-27)

Welcome and closing dinners + City tour of Brasilia

Technical Working Group

Application Form

List of Hotels

Deadline for 'free' registrations (only WAMU-NET members)

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Water Film Prize 'Back to Our Future'.

Status of ongoing applications
(deadline: 20 September)

Presentation of the new video teaser
produced by LTAW

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Presentation and welcome to new
WAMU-NET Members
(1st semester 2025)

Presented by Lucio Bonato

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Invitation to contribute and share
archive images on the platform
'I Remember Water'



Contacts: Lucio Bonato
(partnerships@watermuseums.net)

SOIL TRIBES (HORIZON)

3 years

Project manager: Irene Leonardelli

Restoring Soil and Water Biodiversity

«Soil Art Tales» travelling exhibition

172 applications of artists

4 artists selected

Open Call for 7 museums



AQUAMOTION (S+T+ARTS)

2 years

Project manager: Giada Tognon

Artistic residencies on water challenges (Italy)

3 residencies: Naples, Ridracoli (Forli-Cesena),

Montegrotto Terme (Padua)

20% co-funding



Co-funded by
the European Union

S+T+ARTS
AQUA MOTION

OPEN CALL

FOR ARTISTIC
RESIDENCIES

APPLY NOW!

09/05 - 13/06

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AOB - Proposals and suggestions
from the members

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Closing of the Meeting