GW4 WSA PHD CON2020

KNOWLEDGE FLOW
BUILDING BRIDGES BETWEEN SCIENCE & COMMUNITY

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS (FLASH TALKS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS)

Location: The Waterfront, Welsh Back, Bristol, BS1 4SB
Important Dates
Abstract Deadline: **22nd of March 2020**
Abstract Confirmation: **30th of March 2020**
Registration Deadline: **5th of April 2020**
Conference: **29th of April 2020**
Limited spaces!

In terms of research and production of knowledge, **water security** has become an important topic all around the world, however, the connection between the science behind and the community does not have the recognition it deserves. For this reason, the GW4 Water Security Alliance and the Flow Partnership, with the purpose of building bridges in this area of knowledge, is pleased to launch the first edition of ***KNOWLEDGE FLOW: Building bridges between science & community***, a PhD conference organised by students for students, which will take place on the **29th of April 2020 in Bristol (10:00-17:00).**

The conference provides a platform to present your research in form of ***flash talk*** or ***poster presentation*** about water studies and its connection with the community. There will be networking opportunities plus a great keynote speaker and a talk and interactive workshop. This call for abstracts is open for researchers from all the disciplines related to water security, master students, PhD candidates and research staff from the GW4 (Cardiff University, University of Bristol, University of Bath, University of Exeter), to present their work and have a space for networking in an interdisciplinary environment involving relevant discussions related to water security.

In broad terms, the scope of the Conference encompasses the following areas:

1. Climate change
2. Water scarcity
3. Science communication
4. Policy
5. Stakeholders (river trusts)
6. Flood risk
7. Water resources management
8. Urbanisation/population growth challenges
9. Water and wastewater treatment
10. Sustainable urban storm water management
11. Decentralised solutions
12. Natural solutions

General Information
- There are no fees for registering and attending the conference, however bear in mind that each participant is responsible for making their transportation and accommodation arrangements.
- Free lunch and a complimentary drink are included on your registration, followed by a networking social event*

Instructions
We encourage you to submit a brief abstract to be considered for flash talk or poster presentation for the conference. Please submit your abstract by **22nd of March 2020** via the registration form.
- All submissions should include:
  - a title
  - a 200-word (maximum) abstract and
- Applicants are allowed to be the lead presenter of only one abstract in the conference.
- Applicants will be informed about acceptance of their submission by **30th of March 2020**.
- Once applicants are accepted, they must send a confirmation by the **5th of April 2020**.

Flash talk guidelines:

All postgraduates will have to prepare a compelling spoken presentation on their research topic and its significance in just 2 minutes!!!

To register, you will need:
- Register on the link and click on the "Flash Talk" option (Run since we only have limited slots!!)
- Prepare and send a title and 200 words abstract
- Shortlisting will be conducted based on the available slots and the abstract submitted on your entry form.

Make sure you read the rules before applying:
- A single static PowerPoint slide is permitted (no slide transitions, animations or 'movement' of any description). You don't have to use an accompanying slide; it's entirely up to you.
- No additional electronic media (e.g. sound and video files) are permitted, and no additional props (e.g. costumes, musical instruments, laboratory equipment) are permitted.
- Presentations are limited to 2 minutes maximum and competitors exceeding those minutes are disqualified.
- Presentations are to be spoken word (e.g. no poems, raps or songs).
- Presentations are to commence from the stage.

- Presentations are considered to have commenced when a presenter starts their presentation through movement or speech.
- The decision of the adjudicating panel is final.

Conditions of entry:
All entrants must be a current 'in progress' doctoral postgraduate researchers at the GW4 Universities.

On the day:
- The order of the presentation will be drawn randomly.
- To ensure that everything runs smoothly and that there aren't any delays, please bring convert your PowerPoint to PDF and bring on the registration on the day (format: firstname_lastname.pdf).
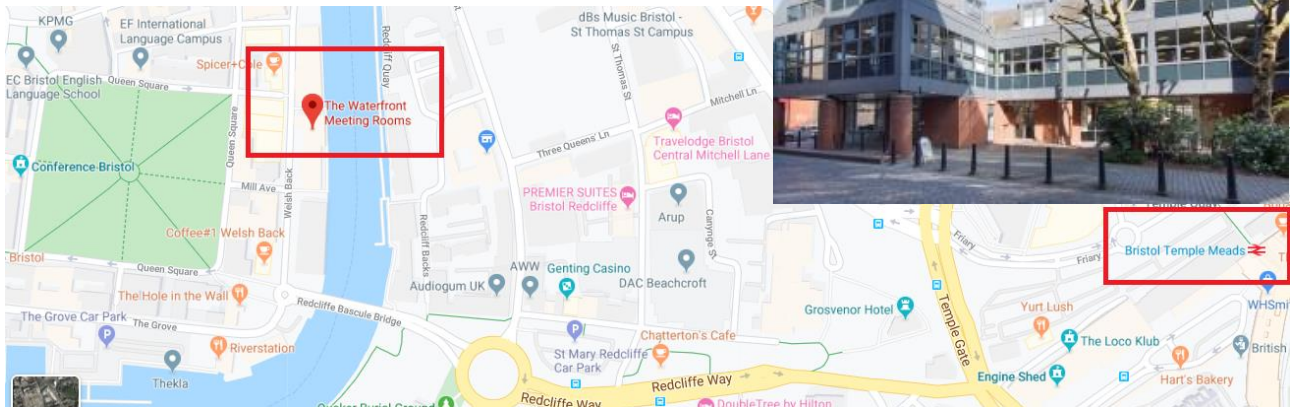
Poster presentation guidelines:
Posters should be A0 in portrait mode and they should be set up by presenters upon registration check-in, when an assigned poster location will be informed. The poster session will take place between 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm. After the closing session, posters should be taken down by presenters**.**

Awards:
Poster and Flash Talks winners will receive a 1st place award certificate from the Conference Judging Panel.

*If you would like to attend as a delegate without presenting, the registration deadline is the **5th of April 2020 Registration form**

Location: The Waterfront, Welsh Back, Bristol, BS1 4SB
Slider Conference Room

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