SMP and UK-WASH Network Forum

Evolving Partnerships for a Resilient and Sustainable WASH Future

Date: 07 October 2026 – 15:30 UK / 16:30 MW

Location: The University of Strathclyde, Room TL JB329 (Teaching and Learning Building) and Zoom
Duration: 120 minutes + additional networking for those attending in-person.

Event link: Joint SMP and UK-WASH Network WASH Forum | Scotland Malawi Partnership

In this open, hybrid event, we hear from:

Agenda

Time UK / MW*	Item	Speaker/s
15:00 UK	In-person registration	SMP team
15:30 UK / 16:30 MW	Welcome and introductions	Prof. Tracy Morse, Scotland Malawi Partnership, WASH Forum Chair
15:40UK / 16:40 MW	UKWASH Network Scene setting on evolving funding landscape and need to partnerships in WASH	Will Tillet - Co-Chair of the UK WASH Network, Self Help Africa
15:50UK/ 16:50 MW	Malawi's Presidential Compact for WASH – the role of partnerships	Assoc. Professor Faides Mwale, Principal Secretary for Irrigation and Water Development, Government of Malawi
16:00 UK / 17:00 MW	Examples of partnership approaches in WASH: • Scottish Water & WaterAid - Utilities Partnership • Water Witness – Fair Water Footprints • Self-Help Africa - partnerships for climate resilience and systems strengthening • University of Strathclyde - learning partnerships	Moderator: Donald Robertson Presenters • Rob Fuller, Utility Partnerships Lead, WaterAid • Rianna Gonzales, Programme Manager, Water Witness • Smorden Tomoka, Deputy Country Director (Malawi), Self Help Africa • Tracy Morse, University of Strathclyde
16:40 UK / 17:40 MW	Panel Discussion: Beyond Aid: Building New Alliances for the Future of WASH • What will replace the old model? • Who is not in the room? • How do we improve cross network collaboration Open to Q&A discussion in the room	Facilitator: • Muthi Nhlema, Managing Director, BASEflow Ltd Panel: • Faides Mwale, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development • Smorden Tomoka, Deputy Country Director – Programmes, Self Help Africa Malawi • Petri Autio, Head of Product, mWater • Rob Fuller, Utility Partnerships Lead, WaterAid • Dorcas Pratt, Executive Dir. Global Operations and Impact, Water Witness

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17:10 UK / 18:10 MW	UKWASH Network updates and proceedings: • British Expertise International (Ana Botelho) • SANCOP (Alison/Mattheu) • Other groups UKWN interacts with: WASH Funders Group, British Water, G7 WASH Networks (Will)	Will Tillet / UKWN
17:30 UK / 18:30 MW	Wrap up and how stay in touch: SMP WASH Forum and UKWASH Network	SMP / UKWN
17:30 UK onwards	Informal networking opportunity at StrathUnion	In person attendees only

*all times are approximate