

30th Nov - 3rd Dec 2011, Irvine, California.

This conference will evaluate the progress made in groundwater management since the first Conference in 2008. It will also explore the areas where further progress can and should be made as well as identify the needs for institutional and policy instruments and their links to science.

The objectives are to:

- Share innovative methods and technologies to help alleviate clean water scarcity and improve treated water supply and groundwater storage in arid and semi arid areas.
- Explore mechanisms to develop and foster international cooperation for the rapid dissemination and implementation of best practices on groundwater management
- Promote the use of guidelines and methodologies for groundwater resources management to cope with climate change, natural disasters, water-related hazards and groundwater dependent ecosystems at risk
- Formulate relevant scientific and policy recommendations for sustainable groundwater management and governance

The Conference results will be presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum (March 2012, Marseille, France) and the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (UNCSD) or Rio + 20 (June 2012, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil).

INWEB coordinator Prof. Jacques Ganoulis is a member of the Scientific Programme Committee and will also present a paper.

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