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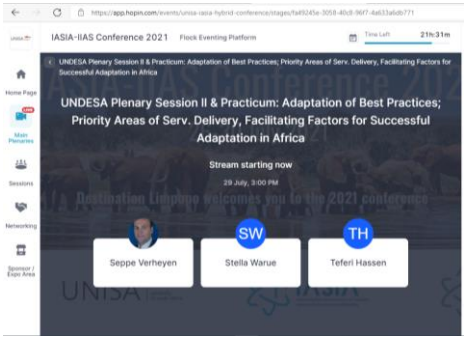
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WATERFUND PARTICIPATES IN THE 2021 IASIA CONFERENCE

The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) in partnership with International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA) hosted the 2021 IASIA Conference that was held on 26th to 30th July 2021, in Bela Bela, South Africa. The theme of the conference was "*Public Administration in the Fourth Industrial Revolution*". Due to the prohibition of face to face conferences owing to the COVID-19 pandemic, the conference was held virtually.

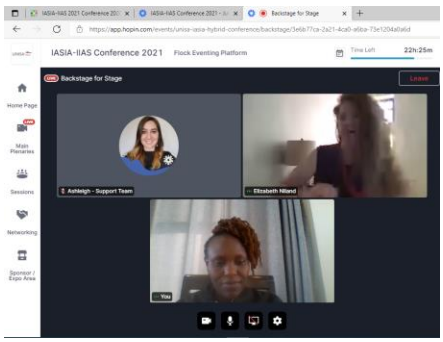
Water Sector Trust Fund (WaterFund) was invited to participate in the Conference by virtue of winning the United Nations Public Service Award in 2019, under the programme "*Up-Scaling Basic Sanitation for Urban Poor (UBSUP)*". WaterFund made a showcase presentation, on the UBSUP Programme, during the UNDESA Plenary Session on "*Adaptation of Best Practices; Priority Areas of Service Delivery, Facilitating Factors for Successful Adaptation in Africa*".

The main objective of the session was to raise awareness and enhance knowledge of participants about the need to promote the culture of innovation and use of ICTs for improved delivery of public services for the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



Left: Screen shot of session presenters

Right: Screenshot of WaterFund representative, Ms. Stella Warue (Bottom) making a presentation on the UBSUP Programme



WATERFUND CONDUCTS IFAD UTANRMP 4TH CALL APPRAISALS IN UPPER TANA COUNTIES

WaterFund signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation (MWSI) to fund community-based activities in water and natural resource management under the Upper Tana Natural Resources Management Project (UTaNRMP). In order to achieve this goal, WaterFund under the International Fund for Agricultural Development's Upper Tana Catchment Natural Resources Management Project (IFAD-UTaNRMP) Programme ensures funding of Water Resource User Associations (WRUAs) and Community Forest Association (CFAs) in various Counties.

In regards to the above, The Embu secretariat committee, which comprises of officers from WaterFund, Water Resources Authority (WRA) and Kenya Forest Service (KFS), conducted appraisals for Six upper Tana Counties which had submitted their proposals in June 2021. The appraisal activity will enable the committee to identify the WRUAs and CFAs which will be

funded after a further appraisal and recommendation by the Project Review Committee (PRC).

Some of the WRUAs and CFAs appraised include Njukiini West CFA, Itimbogo WRUA, MEFECAP CFA, Ntimaka CFA, Njukiiri CFA, Upper ENA WRUA and Nyambene CFA.



Officers conducting field appraisals for a greenhouse under Njukiini CFA in Kirinyaga County



Desk appraisals for Itimbogo WRUA in Embu County



Officers inspecting the proposed picnic site by MEFECAP CFA in Meru County

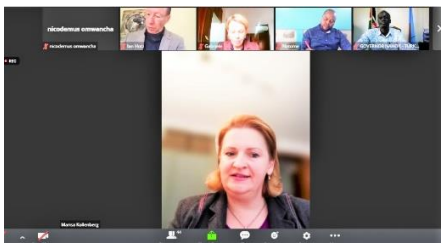
WATERFUND MEETINGS

WaterFund is pleased to note that the online meetings have been put in place as a measure to protect its staff and meeting participants from COVID-19 infections. Across the week, the following meeting took place.

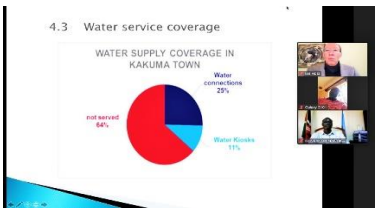
- H.E. Koli Nanok, Governor Turkana County and Ms. Marisa Kollenberg, Programme Officer, Embassy of Germany, as the chief guests, took the lead in the virtual launch of Kakuma town water supply masterplan which was developed by GIZ. The masterplan will guide all interventions for water supply in Kakuma town, Kakuma refugee camp and Kalobeyei refugee settlement. In addition, the master plan will consolidate and coordinate WASH interventions in both host and refugee's population in line with the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) and Kalobeyei Integrated Socio-Economic Development. Present during the meeting were senior officials from the County Government of Turkana, Representatives from the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, GIZ, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and WaterFund and WASH stakeholders in Turkana West.



H.E. Koli Nanok, Governor Turkana County, giving his remarks during the virtual launch



Ms. Marisa Kollenberg, Programme officer, Embassy of Germany, addressing the participants during the virtual launch



One of the presentations during the virtual launch of Kakuma town water supply masterplan

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