

REGIONAL DAYS 2021

Strengthening for Change

31 MAY – 3 JUNE



Guide to Regional Days 2021

31 May – 3 June

<https://app.swapcard.com/event/regional-days-2021>

Welcome to Regional Days!

It is again the happy time of year when we get to see and learn from each other, share our news, achievements and aspirations, and welcome warmly new colleagues to the GWP family. Despite the circumstances prevent us from meeting in person, let's make the most of this virtual space and cherish the moments we get to share with our colleagues. We look forward to hearing your voice, and to sharing the diversity of knowledge and experience that each of us brings to the event to make it a collective success.

Agenda Overview and Session Materials

All information and session materials about Regional Days can be found on the event website. It will be updated throughout the week:

<https://app.swapcard.com/event/regional-days-2021>

Using Swapcard

You will receive an email from Swapcard with a **special registration link**. This link will allow you to create a password and access your own personal agenda for the week.

! If you did not receive an email from Swapcard, reach out to regionaldays@gwp.org and we will make sure you get access.

How will this work?

- Plenary sessions will happen *once* per day at 2pm Stockholm time.
- There are 6 thematic sessions. They will each be held *twice* to accommodate different time zones (A and B). Each participant will attend only once.
- Every participant has their own individual schedule of which sessions they will attend – you can see this in the **My Personal Programme** tab on the website
- **Please Note:** We have designed session groups that allow for maximum exchange between regional colleagues, while keeping time zones in mind. This means that **you will have an agenda that is different from some other colleagues in your Region** – this is okay! Sometimes you will attend early session blocks, and sometimes you will attend late session blocks. We have made an effort to vary this.

How do I get to my Agenda?

Go to the My Personal Programme tab to see your personal Agenda, with all of the events and materials. You can export your sessions directly to your calendar by clicking “Export to my calendar.”



Daily Briefing Email

Every day during Regional Days, you will receive a short email with an overview of the activities of the day.

Coffee Lounge and Social Activities

Are you eager to catch up with colleagues you haven't seen for a whole year? Or you saw new faces and want to get to know them? Go to the GWP Coffee Lounge! It is a separate space open to all participants for informal meetups, chats and hanging out - exactly what you usually do during the coffee breaks.

Fun (and optional) social activities will be held during breaks in the Coffee Lounge - you will see these in your Agenda. *Please join us!*

Sharing stories

Regional Days is about sharing between regions. This year, there will be an emphasis on storytelling: on connecting with one another by sharing stories of our work with GWP (think TED Talk and not webinar). Storytelling allows us to engage with and remember information in a way that is not possible with traditional conference-style presentations. You will hear a number of stories across the week, and be invited to ask storytellers questions in small conversation groups.

Side meetings

Feel free to organize side meetings during the week. You can connect with other attendees by going to the Attendees link, finding that person's information, and choosing "Connect." Then you can schedule meetings with this person. You can also reach them easily via email.

What to pack/bring to every session

Energy, focus, willingness to participate and engage with others. Please plan to engage and speak to other members of the team (have a working microphone – and, if your bandwidth allows, a camera).

Your contributions are important for the success of this week. We look forward to sharing the diversity of knowledge and experience that each of us brings to the event to make it a collective success.

Attendance

GWP CACENA, China, Southeast Asia, South Asia: You will attend morning blocks (Session A).

GWP Caribbean, Central America, and South America: You will attend afternoon blocks (Session B).

GWPO, Central and Eastern Europe, Central Africa, Eastern Africa, Mediterranean, Southern Africa, West Africa: You will attend both afternoon and morning blocks, in a mix. Check "My Personal Programme" to see your agenda.

Regional Chairs will attend the Executive Meeting on 1 June. They are warmly invited to attend any other sessions that are convenient, but attendance is optional for Chairs.

Agenda Overview

For more detail, see the Regional Days website <https://app.swapcard.com/event/regional-days-2021>

Stockholm time	DAY 1 31 May	DAY 2 1 June	DAY 3 2 June	DAY 4 3 June
9:00 – 10:30	Strengthening I: Knowledge exchange and collaboration	GWP in Action I SDGs, nexus/ecosystems	GWP in Action II Transboundary, youth engagement	Strengthening II: Solutions Fair Sharing solutions for concrete operational/administrative issues
10:30 – 11:00	Break			
11:00 – 12:30	Free time for side meetings Valuing Water Exercise (optional)	Resource Mobilisation	GWP in Action III Climate resilience, gender	Free time for side meetings
12:30 – 13:30	Break/lunch Time for side meetings			
1:30-1:50	Coffee Lounge: Meet your colleagues	Coffee Lounge: Easy in-home refresher exercise	Coffee Lounge: Ask me anything (AMA) with Darío Soto-Abril	Coffee Lounge: AMA with special guest, TBD
14:00 – 15:30	OPENING PLENARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 2 of the strategy: where do we stand? 25th anniversary: what's ahead 	Executive session (Chairs, Regional Coordinators, Network Specialists, GWPO Management) Free time for side meetings	WACDEP Flagship Publication Launch	CLOSING PLENARY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life beyond regional days: designing modalities to work together Summary and commitments
15:30 – 16:00	Break			
16:00 – 17:30	Strengthening I: Knowledge exchange and collaboration	GWP in Action I SDGs, nexus/ecosystems	GWP in Action III Climate resilience, gender	Strengthening II: Solutions Fair Sharing solutions for concrete operational/administrative issues
17:30 – 18:00	Break			
18:00 – 19:30		Resource Mobilisation	GWP in Action II Transboundary, youth engagement	

Tech Support / Contacts

Update your Zoom!

Please be sure to **update your Zoom** prior to the session: you will need Zoom version **5.0 or higher** to join meetings.

Update your Zoom client using the links below:

- Windows - <https://zoom.us/zoomrooms/software>
- Mac - <https://zoom.us/client/latest/Zoom.pkg>
- iOS - <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/id546505307>
- Android - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=us.zoom.videomeetings>

Testing Zoom

You can use the link below to test your audio and video in Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/test>

The test call will automatically end after a few minutes, but you can always click on the link again.

Technical support

If you experience any technical difficulties during Regional Days (you are locked out of a meeting, cannot access materials, have lost a calendar invite, etc.) please contact Mario or Lisa at mario.lamban@gwp.org and yelysaveta.demydenko@gwp.org

Questions?

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