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Webinar for the Caribbean and South American Water Sector

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Preparing Water Utilities for the Disaster Within the Disaster

Date: June 9th 2020
Time: 10am EST
9am Panama
8am CMT
7am PDT

This webinar is especially for water utilities and other water related professionals in the Caribbean Region although other regions may also find the presentations of interest.

Hear about International Crisis Management Standards such as ISO 22301 (Business Continuity) and ISO 24518, (Crisis Management of Water Utilities) from the developers of the standards, who will also draw on their real life experiences managing hurricanes, floods and droughts while utilizing the Incident Command System (ICS).

This informational webinar will help prepare water utilities for managing the “Disaster Within the Disaster” as we deal with current droughts and the fast approaching hurricane and flood season while we continue to respond to the current pandemic.

This is an opportunity for utility managers and interested participants to not only listen to the presentations, but join in a conversation about some of the challenges and solutions you have experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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YOUR PRESENTERS

Greg Solecki is one of Canada’s leading experts in disaster and crisis management. He is an internationally Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) and Business Continuity Professional (CBP) who has been instrumental in the development of international crisis management standards (ISO 22301, ISO 24518, CSA1600), as well as contributing to the development of Canada’s Critical Infrastructure Pandemic Plan as the Water Sector Chair. He has been a guest lecturer at Harvard on crisis management.
With practical experience during SARS, H1N1, H5N1 and President of the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) Canada, he was sought out as a contributing member for the United Nations office of Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) Global Education & Training Institute (GETI).

Greg is also an experienced facilitator and Incident Command System (ICS) 400 instructor for both ICS Canada and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that has worked with every level of response managing Emergency Operation Centre’s during 6 States of Local Emergency, leading to his attendance at Harvard’s National Preparedness Leadership Initiative (NPLI).

**Ian Mcilwham** is the current Chair for Canada’s National Critical Infrastructure Working Group and the Canadian Mirror Committee Chair for ISO TC 224, which developed the International Standard on Crisis Management of Water Utilities (ISO 24518).

Ian has been instrumental in developing Public Works emergency and continuity programs in his position as Manager, Compliance at the Regional Municipality of Durham. He is currently leading the response to COVID-19 for Durham Region water and wastewater since an Emergency declaration on March 17, 2020. He is the current chair of the Security and Emergency Management Committee for CWWA which cooperates with Public Safety Canada and other federal departments concerned with emergency preparedness and national security to actively contribute to the knowledge base and federal programs related to critical infrastructure.