



# AWOF

African Water Operators Forum

## Concept Note & Agenda

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1st African Water Operators' Forum

**Nairobi, Kenya**

24-26 November 2026 · KICC

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Convened by GIWEH & WOPs International



## The Forum

AWOF is a flagship three-day platform convened by GIWEH and WOPs International, in partnership with UN-Habitat/GWOPA and hosted by Nairobi City Water & Sewerage Company. It unites utilities, governments, development banks, donors, UN agencies, innovators and civil society to advance Water Operators' Partnerships across Africa and accelerate progress towards SDG 6.

### THE CHALLENGE

#### Africa's widening water gap

Rapid urbanisation, climate variability, infrastructure deficits and financing gaps are widening the gap in water and sanitation services.

### THE RESPONSE

#### Partnerships that deliver more for less

Not-for-profit, peer-to-peer support between operators, proven globally since 2009 as among the most effective, lowest-cost routes to SDG 6.

## Our objectives

Showcase impact

Peer-to-peer learning

Strengthen partnerships

Policy advocacy

Advance inclusion

A continental roadmap

## Our themes

Water security & resilience

Sanitation & public health

Governance & water diplomacy

Sustainable cities & growth

## Programme at a glance

Two working days at KICC, followed by a day of site visits and a networking reception. 24-26 November 2026.

| Day 1 · Mon 24 Nov<br>KICC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Day 2 · Tue 25 Nov<br>KICC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Day 3 · Wed 26 Nov<br>Off-site                                                                                       |
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| <p><b>9:00-10:00</b><br/>Registration &amp; reception</p> <p><b>10:00-11:00</b><br/>Opening ceremony</p> <p><b>11:00-12:00</b><br/>High-level panel</p> <p><b>12:00-13:00</b><br/>Standing lunch &amp; networking</p> <p><b>13:00-14:30</b><br/>Parallel activities</p> <p><b>14:30-16:00</b><br/>Parallel activities</p> | <p><b>9:00-10:00</b><br/>Registration &amp; reception</p> <p><b>10:00-11:00</b><br/>Inspirational panel</p> <p><b>11:00-12:00</b><br/>High-level panel</p> <p><b>12:00-13:00</b><br/>Standing lunch &amp; networking</p> <p><b>13:00-14:30</b><br/>Parallel activities</p> <p><b>14:30-16:00</b><br/>Parallel activities</p> | <p><b>9:00-12:00</b><br/>Site visits</p> <p><b>13:00-16:00</b><br/>Networking reception · The Iconic Plaza Hotel</p> |

**2,000+**  
Participants

**500+**  
Delegates

**100+**  
Exhibitors

**3**  
Days

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