



# NWO-DST Sandpit: Urban Water Systems

## Expression of Interest Form

Complete this Expression of Interest form in English, and save as PDF file with your family name in the file title. The form should be submitted before **10 September 2018, 14:00 CET (17:30 IST)** via [india-urbanwater@nwo.nl](mailto:india-urbanwater@nwo.nl) with copy to [neelima.alam@nic.in](mailto:neelima.alam@nic.in).

### 1. Personal details

Family name:

First name(s):

Title(s):        Male       Female

Research organisation:

based in       The Netherlands       India

Position:

E-mail address:

Telephone number:

### 2. Background and Expertise

*A response to all questions is mandatory.*

- a. Please provide a brief summary of your professional background. (200 words max)

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b. Please select your primary disciplinary area:

If other, please give details:

c. Please select any other relevant disciplinary areas (select all that apply):

- Earth / natural science (e.g. hydrology, environmental science)
- Social and behavioural sciences (e.g. urban planning, governance)
- Technology (e.g. sanitary engineering, civil engineering, chemical technology)
- Information / computer science (e.g. GIS, simulation modelling, spatial analytics)
- Economics, business and law
- Interdisciplinary fields (e.g. development studies)
- Other (please give details)

d. How can your interests and expertise contribute to the aims of this Sandpit, and the Dutch-Indian research programme on integrated and sustainable urban water management systems? (200 words max)

e. *For Dutch applicants only:* Describe any previous experience and results of working with India and/or countries facing similar issues. (150 words max)

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- f. List in reverse chronological order your major academic/professional appointments beginning with your current appointment. (max 200 words)

- g. List your most recent publications directly or indirectly related to the focus of the Sandpit / research programme (maximum 10 publications).

A list of: (i) up to five publications related to the Sandpit / research programme scope; and (ii) up to five other significant publications, whether or not related to the Sandpit scope.

Each publication identified must include the article and journal title, book title, volume number, page numbers, and year of publication. If the document is available electronically, the website address should also be identified (doi).

**3. Personal skills and motivation for Sandpit participation**

*We are looking for applicants not only with suitable research or professional expertise but also with the required personal skills, willingness to engage with others and form new collaborations, and mindset to collaboratively develop innovative and interdisciplinary research ideas at the Sandpit event. A response to all questions is mandatory.*

- a. What is your approach to working in teams, particularly in interdisciplinary and international teams? Please provide relevant examples. (150 words max)

- b. A sandpit is particularly suited to people who are willing to engage outside their immediate area of interest or expertise, enjoy creative activity, can think innovatively and can move easily in the company of strangers. How well do you consider yourself suited for the Sandpit? Please explain and provide relevant examples. (150 words max)

- c. What do you hope to gain from participating in this sandpit, personally and professionally? (150 words max)

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### 4. Suggestions for input Sandpit

We invite you to provide your ideas regarding key questions, issues and stakeholders for the Sandpit. We may use this information in the preparation of the Sandpit. Please note that this information will not be used to assess your application.

- a. What do you consider a key question / critical issue in an interdisciplinary research programme on sustainable and integrated urban water management systems (and the thematic focus as defined the call document)? (150 words max)

- b. Do you have suggestions for a key stakeholder (representing an Indian or Dutch public or private organisation) to invite for the Sandpit? How would this stakeholder contribute to this Sandpit and in the research programme that is aimed for? (150 words max)

#### Details of suggested stakeholder

Family name:

First name(s):

Title(s):   Male  Female

Organisation:

Type of organisation:

based in  The Netherlands  India

Position:

E-mail address:

Telephone number:

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### 5. Requirements

*As the Sandpit is an interactive event and your presence in person at the venue (location tbc) in India is essential, you must respond positively to the questions about your availability to attend and your ability to meet entry requirements to India in order to be invited for the Sandpit*

- a. Are you available 27-30 November 2018 to attend the sandpit in India? (This does not include travel time. Note that availability on these dates is a requirement to be shortlisted to attend.)  Yes  No
- b. If you are not shortlisted to attend the sandpit, would you be willing to hold these dates as a reserve attendee?  Yes  No
- c. *For Dutch applicants only:* Are you able to meet entry requirements to travel to India 27-30 November 2018? (A business visa will be required; an invitation letter will be provided. Note that you must be able to meet entry requirements to be shortlisted to attend).  Yes  No

*Please tick boxes*

I am aware that:

- the selection panel will seek to ensure that a balance of expertise is present at the Sandpit.
- the selection panel will assess both professional and personal attributes of the applicants.
- an invitation to the Sandpit is on personal title, which means that colleagues cannot replace you in case of absence.
- participation in the Sandpit is no guarantee for funding: after the Sandpit workshop, the research programme proposal(s) will need to be elaborated by the applicants into full proposal(s) which will be evaluated by the Advisory Committee. The final funding decision will be made by NWO and DST.

### 6. Signature

I have completed this form truthfully

Name:

Place:

Date: