

Report of the Past-President of IAHS

For the Bureau Meeting 15 April 2018

Since I stepped down as President of IAHS in Port Elizabeth in July 2017, I have concentrated my work for IAHS on the collaboration with WaterNet, in the framework of the Memorandum of Understanding that we signed with WaterNet in 2016 (https://iahs.info/News.do?news_id=164).

The collaboration with WaterNet has proven to be an excellent opportunity to extend our global research agenda to Africa and to establish links with water-related researchers in the Southern and East African region.

To that effect I attended the 18th WaterNet symposium in Swakopmund, Namibia, 25-27 October 2017, of which we were a cosponsor (https://iahs.info/News.do?news_id=223). IAHS is supporting WaterNet to pay for young scientists to attend the annual WaterNet symposium. Preceding the conference, I gave invited lectures at the University of Western Cape and at the University of Windhoek.



The 19th symposium will be held in Livingstone, Zambia, 31 October – 2 November 2018, on "Managing Water for the Future in a Changing Environment in Eastern and Southern Africa", which I propose to cosponsor in similar fashion. The call for abstracts is out (<http://www.waternetonline.org/annual-symposium/current-theme>). I plan to

represent IAHS at that meeting, but invite all interested IAHS members to present their work at this international conference as well.

Sincerely,

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