



# 3<sup>rd</sup>

**International Maji Scientific Conference**

**Call for Abstracts and Workshop Proposals**

**Theme:**

**Water and Sanitation in a Changing World  
Convened by Water Institute**

**31<sup>st</sup> January – 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024**

## Background

Water Week in Tanzania has since 2019 incorporated an annual International scientific conference under Ministry of Water guidance, which for the past two years has been organized by the Water Institute, providing a platform for presentation and discussion of water research, practices, and experiences for the purpose of empowering and sustaining the sector toward the UN's 2030 goal of safe water and sanitation for all. For 2024, the conference aims to provide a platform where practitioners within the sector will share their operational experiences in ensuring water and sanitation services are meeting needs of all as policy stipulates, and researchers will deliver their feedback responding to current sectoral prevailing challenges, and also take home introduced research areas of interest for future further work. Abstracts are welcomed in line with the conference focus and spearheading momentum towards achieving SDG 6. The conference will be held at Ubungo Plaza Conference Centre in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

## Registration and Conference Fees

Registration is now open for the International Maji Scientific conference from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024, through the link below;  
<https://bit.ly/MajiConference2024>

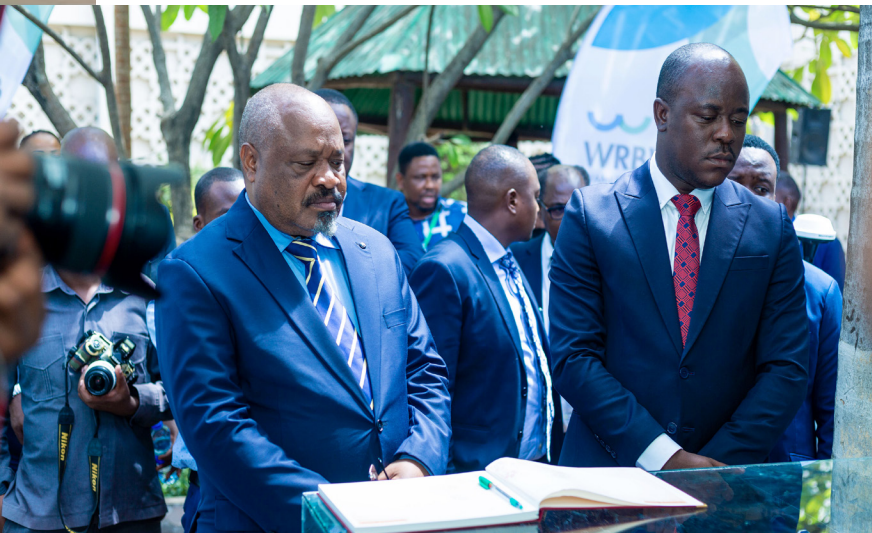
The registration fee is TZS 100,000/= for local participants and USD 100 for international participants, covering meals and conference materials. Please use the banking details below for fee payment.

**BANK NAME:** NMB Bank, **ACCOUNT No.:** 22501000005;  
**ACCOUNT NAME:** WATER INSTITUTE; **BRANCH NAME:** University;  
**SWIFT CODE:** NMIBTZTXXX

## Important Dates

<i>Start of submission of paper abstracts</i>	<i>01st September 2023</i>
<i>End of submission of paper abstracts</i>	<i>15th November 2023</i>
<i>Notification of acceptance of paper abstracts</i>	<i>30th November 2023</i>
<i>Start of conference online registration</i>	<i>01st September 2023</i>
<i>End of conference online registration</i>	<i>20th January 2024</i>
<b>International Maji Scientific Conference 2024</b>	<b>31st January – 2nd February 2024</b>

## Theme and sub-theme for the 3rd International Maji Scientific conference



### Theme

The main theme of the conference is “Water and Sanitation in a Changing World.” Climate change threatens water systems through droughts and floods, endangering lives. Emerging technologies for water and sanitation management together with supportive laws and policies can counter these impacts. As Tanzania pushes to meet SDG 6 targets and Africa Agenda 2063 aspiration 1, researchers and practitioners are invited to share experiences, findings, innovations on water and sanitation at the 2024 International Maji Conference.

Presenters should align detailed write-ups with the conference sub-themes.

### Sub-themes

#### 1. Water supply and Sanitation Management (WSM)

Sustainable approaches, and systems to deliver clean, affordable water and sanitation services to communities, from source to tap and wastewater management are essential. This sub-theme welcomes studies and practices that are linked to or related to the following topics:

- i. Water supply, sanitation and hygiene
- ii. Non-revenue water management
- iii. Digital technologies for water and sanitation management
- iv. Community engagement in water and sanitation
- v. Climate change adaptation in WASH
- vi. Financing management issues in WASH



## Sub-themes

### 2. Water resources management (WRM)

Maintaining a sufficient supply for human needs and environmental requirements, water resources management entails the sustainable allocation, development, and conservation of surface and groundwater resources. This sub-theme welcomes studies and practices that are linked to or related to the following topics:

- i. Water, energy, food, ecosystem nexus
- ii. Technological innovations in water resources management
- iii. Transboundary water management

### 3. Water quality management (WQM)

Water Quality Management involves monitoring, protecting, and improving the quality of drinking water, freshwater resources, and receiving waters through pollution control, treatment, preventive management, and emerging technology. This sub-theme welcomes studies and practices that are linked to or related to the following topics:

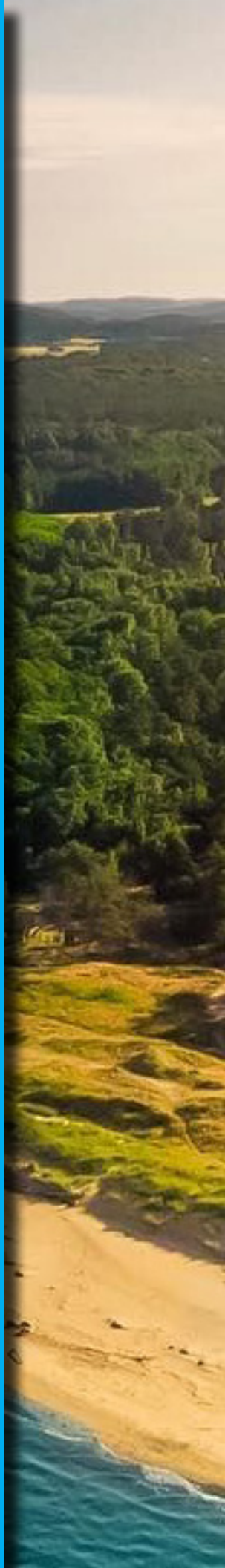
- i. Water quality management
- ii. Nature-based solutions and indigenous technology
- iii. Governance for water quality management

## Submission of Abstracts

One may submit a review or original research-based, policy-based or practitioner-oriented abstract as well as that focus on integrating policy, under any of the sub-themes described above.

Abstracts should have the following attributes:

1. Abstracts should be 150-200 words, double-spaced, Times New Roman, 12 font size.
2. The title should be no more than 20 words, title case.
3. Author's names should be listed as first name, middle initial, and surname. Indicate corresponding author with asterisk \*. Magori J. Nyangi
4. Author affiliations should be included and marked with superscript numbers.
5. Abstract should state objectives/goals, methods/approaches, findings/results, and conclusions/resolutions. List 4-6 keywords alphabetically.



## Abstract File Naming

A file with an abstract should be named in such a way that it reflects the sub-theme it relates to and the names of the first author as elaborated in the examples below:

Firstname.Surname\_Sub-theme in abbreviation

E.g., 1: Magori.Nyangi\_WSM

E.g., 2: Magori.Nyangi\_WRM

E.g., 3: Magori.Nyangi\_WQM

Whereas: WSM; Water supply and Sanitation Management, WRM; Water resources management: WQM: Water quality management

## Selection Process and Criteria

Abstracts should be linked to a conference sub-theme. Use clear, simple sentences and spell out abbreviations. Abstracts are reviewed for originality, evidence, practicality/applicability, scientific rigor, relevance, potential impact, and usefulness in water and related sectors.

## Submission and Review process for Abstracts

Submit abstracts by 15th November 2023 to [majiconference@gmail.com](mailto:majiconference@gmail.com) cc [majiconference@waterinstitute.ac.tz](mailto:majiconference@waterinstitute.ac.tz) by addressing it to the International Maji Scientific Conference Committee 2024. Abstracts will be reviewed by at least 3 members of the conference panel who will decide on acceptance and/or mode of presentation delivery (oral vs poster). The author for accepted abstracts will be requested to prepare an oral or poster presentation and submit a full paper/poster one month before the conference date. The presenter must be one among the authors.

## Conditions of Acceptance

Upon acceptance, authors agree to publish an abstract in conference materials such as a book of abstracts and conference proceedings. Authors also agree publication of photos, video/audio recordings, or live streaming of the presentations.





## Young Researcher Award

A Young Researcher Award will recognize exceptional presentation skills for the best youth presenter under 35 in each sub-theme, with an overall winner nominated from all sub-theme winners based on a scoring criterion. An adjudication team will assess young presenters. There will also be a Best Poster award. However, for consideration, young researcher/presenters must be among the members involved in the presented work/study/research.

## Publication of Conference Papers

Authors observed to have the best contribution in the water sector will be offered to publish his/her manuscript in the special issue of the Journal of Water Resources, Engineering, Management and Policy (JWEMPO). This can be accessed through [www.jwemppo.ac.tz](http://www.jwemppo.ac.tz)

## Travel and Accommodation

Participants should arrange their own travel and accommodation in Dar es Salaam. Recommendations for nearby accommodations will be provided in the website ([www.waterinstitute.ac.tz](http://www.waterinstitute.ac.tz)) as conference dates nears.

## Workshop Hosting

The conference is expected to have 30min-2hrs water-related workshop sessions to raise awareness, build capacity, or introduce a product/ service. Submit a 300-word summary by 15th November 2023 through conference emails. All workshops will receive full audience of conference participants. Cost is TZS 5,000,000/= per 30 minutes slot. Slots are limited so first come, first served.

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