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## Reflections: Today Is World Water Day!

Greetings from New York City and Happy [World Water Day](#)! Today is the official start of the [UN 2023 Water Conference](#), the first water conference convened by the United Nations in almost 50 years. Thousands of participants have gathered to commit to strong actions to address water issues at all scales across the globe. It is

recognized that advancing achievement of [Sustainable Development Goal 6](#) — clean water and sanitation for all — requires actions on the part of each one of us.

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## About World Water Day

World Water Day (WWD) is an international call to action to solve the global water and sanitation crisis. Organized by the United Nations, WWD has been coordinated by UN-Water each year since 1993. The theme for 2023 is “Accelerating Change.” This theme recognizes the tremendous work still needed to achieve the goals set out in the UN’s Sustainable Development Agenda. Sustainable Development Goal 6 — Clean Water and Sanitation (SDG 6) — is a worldwide commitment for universal access to safely managed water and sanitation by 2030. According to UN WWD 2023 resources, the latest estimates show that “governments must work on average four times faster” to meet SDG 6 on schedule. On WWD 2023, everyone is called to take action and commit to changing how water is used and managed in their lives and in their communities.

Today the UN also released the 2023 World Water Development Report, coordinated by the UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme. This report, released annually on World Water Day, provides updates on global water and sanitation issues.

## Special Webinar

On Tuesday, March 28, the WRRRC will hold a special webinar reflecting on the UN 2023 Water Conference. Join University of Arizona delegates to the UN Water Conference Professor Andrea K. Gerlak, WRRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal, and graduate student Wilzave Quiles Guzmán for this special webinar discussion.

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- [2023 World Water Development Report](#)
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