

NBI ON A CLEAR DAY 2017



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INDUSTRY NEWS

GREEN STANDARD STEPS UP SUSTAINABILITY CREDENTIALS A new standard to measure and verify the benefits provided by green projects and programmes around the world has been launched. [*Energy Live News, 12 July 2017.*](#)

UK PUNTS MEASURES TO BOOST AFRICA PROSPERITY, STABILITY Prime Minister Theresa May unveiled an ambitious package of support to create new wealth in Africa - reducing the continent's reliance upon aid and improving global security. [*BizCommunity, 12 July 2017.*](#)

NASA PROBE SUCCESSFULLY PEERS INTO JUPITER'S GREAT RED SPOT A NASA spacecraft, Juno, has successfully peered into the giant storm raging on Jupiter, known as the Great Red Spot, and its first pictures should be out in days, the US space agency said Tuesday. [*Daily Maverick, 12 July 2017.*](#)

GIANT ICEBERG BREAKS OFF ANTARCTICA One of the biggest icebergs on record has broken away from Antarctica, scientists said on Wednesday, creating an extra hazard for ships around the continent as it breaks up. [*Reuters, 12 July 2017.*](#)

'SIXTH EXTINCTION' OF WILDLIFE FASTER THAN FEARED: SCIENTISTS The sixth mass extinction of life on Earth is unfolding more quickly than feared, scientists have warned. [BizCommunity, 12 July 2017.](#)

CAPE TOWN'S FIRST GREEN BOND AUCTION NETS R1BN The City of Cape Town's first green bond auction exceeded expectations during a closed bidding process on Wednesday. [Bekezela Phakathi, Business Day, 12 July 2017.](#)

WMB: 5 WAYS TRUMP'S PARIS WITHDRAWAL REIGNITED CLIMATE ACTION President Donald Trump's regrettable decision to withdraw the United States from the historic Paris Climate Agreement was met with widespread dismay. However, the reactions from many political leaders, multinational businesses and the general public have been one of emboldened support for climate action. [Nigel Topping, Green Biz, 11 July 2017.](#)

SA'S NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN INCORPORATES ICT SKILLS TRAINING South Africa's National Development Plan is shaping the fourth industrial revolution by incorporating technology in its implementation. [CNBC Africa, 11 July 2017.](#)

WORLD ENERGY INVESTMENT DROPS FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR Global energy investment fell by 12% in 2016, the second consecutive year of decline, as increased spending on energy efficiency and electricity networks was more than offset by a continued drop in upstream oil and gas spending, according to the International Energy Agency's (IEA's) latest 'World Energy Investment' report. [Engineering News, 11 July 2017.](#)

CAPE TOWN DAMS 25.4% FULL Despite an increase in water levels since June, the City of Cape Town says dam storage levels and usable water are still very low. The city said in a statement on Monday that dam storage levels were at 25.4% and usable water levels were at approximately 15.4%. [Engineering News, 11 July 2017.](#)

SA GRADUATE PROGRAMME RECOGNISED AS WORLD LEADING The graduate employability strategy of The Independent Institute of Education, as implemented on Rosebank College campuses throughout South Africa, has been recognised as the top programme of its kind by the World Bank. [The Skills Portal, 11 July 2017.](#)

DAM UPDATE: WATER LEVELS CONTINUE GRADUAL DECLINE National dam levels are seeing a steady, week-on-week decline, the Department of Water and Sanitation said last week. [Riante Naidoo, Infrastructure News, 10 July 2017.](#)

SOUTH AFRICA RANKS 10TH FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY INVESTMENTS The Allianz Climate and Energy Monitor 2017 ranked South Africa 10th among G20 countries for renewable energy investment conditions. [BizNisAfrica, 6 July 2017.](#)

NBI INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

Bringing you news and the latest research from our international partners

CDP The CDP in South Africa is a long-standing partnership between the London-based CDP and the NBI. View a video of **Paul Simpson, CEO of CDP** speaking on: The Financial Stability Board's Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures is critical because it makes a direct link between climate change impacts and financial stability, [here.](#)

UN GLOBAL COMPACT (UNGC) The UN Global Compact is a strategic policy initiative for businesses that are committed to aligning their operations and strategies with ten universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. The NBI hosts the Local Network of the UNGC. Read their July 2017 Monthly Bulletin [here.](#)

UNGC CEO WATER MANDATE NBI partners with the CEO Water Mandate to encourage water stewardship in South Africa. Established by the UN Global Compact in 2007, and rooted in the belief that cross-sectoral collaboration on shared water goals is the most effective path to more sustainable water management, the CEO Water Mandate is a unique public-private initiative that mobilizes business leaders for water stewardship. Explore their newly launched Water Action Hub 2.0 [here](#). The revitalized Hub promotes more effective collaboration by organizations interested in working together to address water challenges in any region of the world by enabling users to more quickly and easily find potential partners with similar interests.

WE MEAN BUSINESS (WMB) NBI is the South African partner to WMB. WMB is a coalition of organizations working with thousands of the world's most influential businesses and investors to accelerate the transition to a low carbon economy. Read their article entitled: *"100 Companies Creating Market Change: Re100 Past, Present And Future"*, [here](#).

WORLD BUSINESS COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (WBCSD) NBI is the global partner of the WBCSD in South Africa. Read their Insider Perspective entitled: *"2017 Sustainability and Circular Economy Summit, From Aspiration to Implementation"*, [here](#).

NBI IN THE NEWS/NBI NEWS

Joanne Yawitch, NBI's CEO partook in a panel discussion on **Classic FM Business** with **Michael Avery** last night and **Alex McNamara, NBI's Programme Manager of Environmental Sustainability** was interviewed by **Bruce Whitfield** on **The Money Show** on **Talk Radio 702**. Listen to what they had to say on the role of the NBI in driving the global compact principles and ideals in business in SA and how SA business is responding to climate change: [Classic FM](#) and [Talk Radio 702](#).

NBI LAUNCHES NEW CLIMATE ADAPTATION REPORT – JULY 2017 The National Business Initiative (NBI) is pleased to announce the release of our latest climate change report, *'[A New Climate of Risk: How South African Businesses are Adapting to Climate Change](#)'*. The report describes a range of examples from profiled companies who are taking important steps to adapt to a changing climate, including how these companies have incorporated adaptation into their management practices. Download the full report [here](#).

THE NATIONAL BUSINESS INITIATIVE (NBI) IN PARTNERSHIP WITH WE MEAN BUSINESS (WMB) recently produced a series of business climate action videos featuring some of South Africa's leading CEOs and Sustainability Executives. View them [here](#).

NBI'S STEVE NICHOLLS: THE IMPORTANCE OF CLIMATE ACTION IN SOUTH AFRICA As Africa develops and transitions to similar standards of living as elsewhere in the world, the potential for additional carbon emissions is enormous. This is at a time when it's vital to reduce global carbon emissions; that's the dichotomy that has to be solved. [The Huffington Post, 6 July 2017](#).

DWS AND PARTNERS CLEANING UP OUR RIVERS FOR MANDELA DAY 18 July 2017 is Mandela Day. The need for water security, particularly in the face of global climate change and a multitude of anthropogenic impacts affecting our rivers, calls for a national and unified approach to protect our rivers, wetlands and broader catchments, such that all people can benefit from the added-value products of healthy rivers and have access to clean water for basic human needs. [Plumbing Africa Online, 29 June 2017](#).

NBI OFFERING GUIDANCE FOR WORKPLACE-BASED LEARNING FOR YOUTH Business organisation the National Business Initiative (NBI) is using its construction industry youth internship project to determine best practice in establishing effective youth training initiatives in other industries. [Engineering News, 16 June 2017.](#)

JULY 2017: CALL FOR COMPANIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLACEMENT OF TVET COLLEGE GRADUATES IN CONSTRUCTION, TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY: The National Business Initiative (NBI) has secured funding from the National Skills Fund to provide workplace-based learning (WBL) for 60 civil engineering and building construction and 50 tourism and hospitality graduates from Technical and Vocational Education and Training colleges in Gauteng. The initiative aims to enhance the employability of graduates so as to increase their chances of employment in entry-level jobs. The NBI is inviting companies in these sectors to offer WBL for graduates for a period of 12 months. The NBI will provide monthly stipends and insurance cover for the candidates. Please e-mail [Cecil Macheke](#) or [Shavilla Harpal](#) or call them on: **011 544 6000** should you be interested in participating in this initiative – **COMPANIES ONLY**. Please click on the appropriate link for further details: [Placement of Graduates in Tourism and Hospitality](#) or [Placement of TVET College Graduates in the Construction and Building Sector.](#)

NBI MEMBER COMPANY NEWS

SAB INVESTS R2.8BN IN EXPANDING GAUTENG BREWERIES Multinational beverage and brewing company Anheuser-Busch InBev (AB-InBev) subsidiary South African Breweries (SAB) will invest R2.8-billion into brewery expansions, including two new packaging lines for returnable glass bottles, at its Alrode and Rosslyn breweries, in Gauteng. [Engineering News, 11 July 2017.](#)

OYSTER FESTIVAL TO REVIVE KNYSNA ECONOMY The Pick n Pay Knysna Oyster Festival was officially opened on Thursday, July 6 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. [Knysna-Plette Herald, 12 July 2017.](#)

PROJECT BUILD is celebrating 40 years of bringing good school infrastructure to the education sector of KZN, Eastern Cape, Mpumalanga and the Free State. As part of their celebration an excellent journal has been produced and printed by Top Business KZN reflecting the value we have added to society in these years. View [here.](#)

PICK N PAY, FOODFORWARD SA PARTNER FOR NATIONAL MANDELA DAY FOOD DRIVE This Mandela Day, Pick n Pay and FoodForward SA have partnered for a national food drive with a goal to provide one million meals to beneficiaries of FoodForward SA. [BizCommunity, 5 July 2017.](#)

MTN APPOINTS PROCUREMENT, SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT HEAD Telecommunications group MTN has appointed Dirk Karl to head up group procurement and supply chain management, effective 1 November 2017. [Engineering News, 4 July 2017.](#)

COCA COLA'S APPLÉTISER PLANT TO DOUBLE YEARLY PRODUCTION Coca-Cola Beverages South Africa's (CCBSA's) Elgin-based Appletiser plant, in the Western Cape, is set to double its yearly production by October, owing to the beverage's integration into the CCBSA supply chain grid. [Engineering News, 27 June 2017.](#)

DELOITTE CREATES MILLENNIAL BOARD Globally, companies seeking to be at the forefront of innovation are inviting young people on their boards. Deloitte Africa has taken this strategy a step further by creating a Millennials Board. [CNBC Africa, 27 June 2017.](#)

BMW UNVEILS NEW X3 THAT WILL BE BUILT IN SA AND THE US German carmaker BMW on Monday lifted the veil on its 2018 X3 sports-utility vehicle (SUV) at its factory in Spartanburg, South Carolina, in the US. [Engineering News, 27 June 2017.](#)

ARUP EDUCATION TRUST'S TOP ACHIEVER FOR 2016 PARTICIPATES IN CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY'S IDBE PROGRAMME The Arup Education Trust's (AET) top final year achiever for 2016, Comfort Matlakala, recently visited the University of Cambridge to take part in the Interdisciplinary Design for the Built Environment (IDBE) programme. [Press release.](#)

PWC TOWER COMMENDED AT 2017 FULTON AWARDS The iconic 'twisty' PwC Tower in Midrand, together with its slip form, received a Commendation in the buildings greater than three-storeys category at the 2017 biennial Fulton Awards hosted by the Concrete Society of South Africa in June 2017. The PwC Tower is the 24th tallest twisted building in the world and the only twisted building in Africa. [Concrete.TV, 23 June 2017.](#)

NOTICES, REPORTS, OPINION AND SURVEYS

CDP CARBON MAJORS REPORT 2017 Download [here.](#)

WBCSD WATER NEWSLETTER JULY 2017 During the first half of 2017, WBCSD has been busy looking inwards, taking stock and developing their strategy for the next five years. They've also been looking outwards, identifying key opportunities to channel the business voice on water. Read [here.](#)

HELP GET PLASTIC OUT OF THE SEA One million tons of plastic were dumped in South African landfills last year, with the recycling rate of plastics dropping 1.7% from 2014 to 2015, Plastics SA has said. [IOL, 12 July 2017.](#)

CO-OPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS 'BOOST SMALL BUSINESSES' Co-operative relationships could be the solution for the challenges faced by small and medium enterprises, study shows. [Business Live, 12 July 2017.](#)

EMBRACING CLIMATE DISCLOSURE; AVOIDING THE SCENARIOS TRAP Forward-looking businesses and investors recognize that climate change represents both financial risks and opportunities. It's these risks and opportunities that the Financial Stability Board's Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) is aiming to help organizations address with its final recommendations report. [Nigel Topping, WMB CEO, 11 July 2017.](#)

STRONG COMPANIES NEED STRONG BOARDS According to a study by the Centre for Corporate Governance at the Institute of Directors in Southern Africa (IoDSA), board composition is probably the single most important governance factor determining an organisation's future success. [FIN 24, 5 July 2017.](#)

CEO SLEEPOUT LAUNCHES DIGITAL PUBLICATION, KIDLANTHROPY The CEO SleepOut, wanting to expand the message of empathy, philanthropy and social entrepreneurship to teens, has launched a new 63-page digital flipbook digital, KIDLanthropy. [BizCommunity, 4 July 2017.](#)

CENTRE FOR RENEWABLE & SUSTIANABLR ENERGY STUDIES (CRSES) has released its [Annual Report](#) for 2016.

CERES' LATEST REPORT: ENGAGE THE CHAIN TOOL. A new online resource guide to help investors better evaluate impacts like climate change, water stress and human rights that drive business risk in food company supply chains.

It's a very comprehensive tool and you can view more of the data in depth on the [website](#) or [Engage the Chain on Twitter](#).

THE ETHICS INSTITUTE: The King Report on Governance for South Africa 2009 (King III) Recommends that the Boards of Companies "Should Ensure that the Company's Ethics is Managed Effectively." View their Code Assessment & Code Development [here](#) and their Ethics Risk Assessment [here](#).

ENTRIES FOR 2018 BAYER FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMMES NOW OPEN The Bayer Foundation Fellowship programme, which enables candidates to undertake international study and research projects in scientific areas related to health and agriculture, is calling for applicants. Closing date is the 18th of July 2017. [BizCommunity, 29 June 2017](#).

NBI EVENTS 2017

EXECUTIVE DINNERS: NBI SOCIO-ECONOMIC SCENARIO AND ENERGY PATHWAY EXECUTIVE The National Business Initiative (NBI) is hosting 4 high level discussions, based on the successful model used in the NBI National Development Plan (NDP) Programme, on the role of business in shaping South Africa's future for its member companies. We will be using the tried and tested socio-economic scenarios and energy pathways developed by the NBI to help structure the conversation. The dinners' will use the tangible and urgent requirement to act now towards a transition to a lower carbon economy over the medium to long term as a basis for this discussion and as a starting point for taking action. In addressing the issue of a low carbon transition and our future energy mix we will establish collective business processes that will allow us to address a range of specific development topics in a robust way. Dates remaining are as follows: **Cape Town - 13 July 2017 (tonight) and Johannesburg - 20 July 2017**. Please send your executive nomination from your company and their preferred date to: [Gillian Hutchings](#).

NBI THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SERIES: EXPLORING THE NATURAL CAPITAL PROTOCOL Wednesday, 19 July 2017 at the **Hilton Hotel, Sandton**. The National Business Initiative (NBI), in partnership with the Natural Capital Coalition, is hosting a Thought Leadership Series seminar on the application of the Natural Capital Protocol in business decision-making for NBI Member Companies. Please contact [Katlarelo Makau](#) if you wish to attend this TLS.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SESSION ON BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS WITH RT HON LORD MARK MALLOCH-BROWN KCMG Wednesday, 26 July 2017 at **Investec, Sandton**. The National Business Initiative and Investec are hosting an afternoon session on opportunities for business to use the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to further their core business interests and support development. A report by the Business Commission on Sustainable Development entitled [Better Business Better World](#), estimates that the SDGs will open up business opportunities to the tune of US\$ 12 trillion globally through four economic systems of Food and Agriculture; Cities; Energy & Minerals; and Health & Well-Being. Please RSVP [here](#) if you wish to attend this event.

SOUTH AFRICAN EVENTS 2017

CONFERENCE FOR THE FUTURE OF SOUTH AFRICA 18 July 2017 Rhema Campus, Randburg, Johannesburg. Civil society organisations are coming together to discuss united action to stop state capture and to recapture the state. Click [here](#) to register and [here](#) for further details.

CARBON FOOTPRINT MASTERCLASS 19 to 20 July 2017 in Johannesburg. This certificate equips learners with the complete set of skills and knowledge needed to begin work in greenhouse gas accounting and carbon management. It uses case studies, real-life scenarios and practical examples to prepare students for working in this field. The carbon footprint masterclass is for scholars and university graduates, company employees who would like to expand on current skills set and develop career paths. [Website.](#)

INTRODUCTION COURSE TO AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT 25 To 27 July 2017, Pretoria, Gauteng. To provide general managers and environmental practitioners with a basic knowledge of the discipline of air quality management and the tools that are used in practising this discipline. Find out more about this course [here](#).

WWF-SA 2017 LIVING PLANET CONFERENCE 27 July 2017 at the Maslow Hotel, Sandton. At this year's Living Planet Conference, we ask, "What is your junk status?" This thought-provoking yet practical conference presents a rare opportunity to engage rigorously and dynamically in the search for solutions that we can all apply in our daily lives. Join us for our line-up of powerful speakers, including keynote speaker Pravin Gordhan, Hlubi Mboya, Sissie Matela, Tasneem Essop, Andrea Burgener and WWF's own Kholosa Magudu, Pavs Pillay and James Reeler, engage with this challenging topic. RSVP [here](#).

SHORT COURSE IN RENEWABLE ENERGY: DISTRIBUTED GENERATION 27 July 2017, Pretoria, Gauteng. The short course on Renewable Energy: Distributed Generation covers the fast-growing wind and photovoltaic (PV) technology in detail. This course also briefly covers other renewable energy (RE) technology such as small hydro-power systems, concentrating solar power (CSP) technologies, biomass, etc. Delegates will discuss benefits, technical issues, design and use of renewable distributed generation including wind, PV and hybrid systems in the power generation industry. Find out more about this course [here](#).

CAMBRIDGE SUSTAINABILITY PRACTITIONER PROGRAMME 13 to 16 August 2017, Intundla Game Lodge, Gauteng. We need to rapidly engineer a sustainable economy, one that meets human needs within natural constraints – within the carrying capacity of the one planet we all live on and depend on. We need organisations that are able to create jobs and increase access to products, services and livelihood opportunities in a resource-constrained and low-trust world. We need to develop leadership at all levels in organisations that understand what is required. This seminar is designed for managers in organisations from the private or public sector to equip them with a high-level understanding of sustainability. For more information as well as the application form, please have a look at the [website](#), or contact **Magda De Kok** on magda.dekok@cisl.cam.ac.uk.

INFRASTRUCTURE AFRICA BUSINESS FORUM 21 to 22 August 2017 at the Sandton Convention Centre, Sandton. Africa, with a population exceeding 1 billion people, is well placed as an emerging market and has successfully maintained an average growth rate of 4% for the past few years as a continent. Africa is also urbanising at breakneck speeds, which means the need for infrastructure such as bypasses, bridges, new highways and new technologies need to be deployed in congested areas where traditional methods cannot work. This evolution of infrastructure and the underlying drivers of growth are highlighted at the annual Infrastructure Africa conference and exhibition. With

discussions on specific project development opportunities from infrastructure players operating on the ground, the two-day business forum offers businesses the platform to set their regional strategies for long-term growth and the opportunity to unpack the enormous growth potential in Africa's infrastructure sectors. [Website](#).

INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED GRI SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING STANDARDS COURSE 19 to 21 September 2017 at the Glenhove Conference Centre in Melrose, Johannesburg followed by the **Workshop on GRI Disclosures (Performance Indicators) based on the new Standards**. Participants receive a GRI certificate. For more information visit www.ess-sustainability.co.za, e-mail: seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za or phone **082 395 7582**.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT FOR EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING COURSE 27 September 2017 at the Glenhove Conference Centre in Melrose, Johannesburg. For more information visit www.ess-sustainability.co.za, e-mail: seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za or phone **082 395 7582**.

DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING AN INTEGRATED SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY IN YOUR ORGANISATION COURSE 28 September 2017 at the Glenhove Conference Centre in Melrose, Johannesburg. For more information visit www.ess-sustainability.co.za, e-mail: seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za or phone **082 395 7582**.

INTERNATIONALLY CERTIFIED COURSE ON INTEGRATED REPORTING 12 October 2017 at the Glenhove Conference Centre in Melrose, Johannesburg. Offered jointly by ESS and ENACT. For more information visit www.ess-sustainability.co.za, e-mail: seakle@ess-sustainability.co.za or phone **082 395 7582**.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS 2017

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS BUSINESS FORUM 18 July 2017 New York, USA. Co-hosted by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, UN Global Compact, the International Chamber of Commerce and the Global Business Alliance for 2030, the SDG Business Forum will bring together leaders from business and government, heads of United Nations agencies, key international organizations and civil society groups. [Register here.](#)

UN HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 18 July 2017 New York, USA. The High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) is the central multi-stakeholder mechanism established by the United Nations for follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals. The theme for 2017 for the HLPF will be “*Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world*”. Additionally, a set of seven goals will be reviewed in depth. [UNGC website.](#)

2017 GLOBAL FORUM FOR RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT EDUCATION 18 to 19 July 2017, New York, USA. The Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME) initiative of the United Nations Global Compact is convening the 2017 Global Forum for Responsible Management Education — 7th PRME Assembly in conjunction with the United Nations High-Level Political Forum. [Programme.](#)

CEO WATER MANDATE WORKING CONFERENCE 27 to 31 August 2017 Stockholm, Sweden. The Mandate’s main annual convening will coincide with Stockholm World Water Week from **August 27th to September 1st**. Mandate events will take place both as seminars that will occur within the World Water Week conference, as well as side events that will take place offsite at the Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel. They are as follows: **Collective Action to Support Water and Climate Outcomes** on Sunday, August 27 - [Details & Registration](#), **Context-Based Water Targets** on Monday, August 28 - [Details & Registration](#), **GRI 303 Water Standard Updates** also on Monday, August 28 - [Details & Registration](#) and lastly **Corporate Water Stewardship in Support of the SDGs: Impactful Collective Action at the Local Level** on Tuesday, August 29 - [Details & Registration](#).

WORLD WATER WEEK IN STOCKHOLM 27 August to 1 September 2017 Stockholm, Sweden. World Water Week in Stockholm is the annual focal point for the globe’s water issues. It is organized by SIWI. In 2017, World Water Week will address the theme “water and waste – reduce and reuse”. In 2016, over 3,200 individuals and around 330 convening organizations from 130 countries participated in the Week. To see the full programme, go to the [Online Programme](#) or have a look at the programme in a PDF format [here](#). For more information, click [here](#).

CLIMATE WEEK NYC 2017 18 to 24 September 2017, NYC, USA. Following a remarkable year in international politics and climate action, the world is at a critical turning point in its journey to address climate change. Taking place during the UN General Assembly, Climate Week NYC 2017 will gather leaders from business and government to demonstrate how continued investment in innovation, technology and clean energy will drive profitability and lead us towards a net-zero emissions global economy. [NY Climate Week 2017 Website.](#)

2017 UN GLOBAL COMPACT LEADERS’ SUMMIT 21 September 2017 New York, USA. The UN Global Compact Leaders’ Summit brings together an international community of leaders from business, civil society, academia, Government and the United Nations to accelerate local and global business action and partnerships to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). [Request an invitation.](#)

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WATER LOSS CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION 2018 The IWA Water Loss Specialist Group, together with City Of Cape Town, will host the biennial Water Loss Conference and Exhibit from **7 to 9 May 2018 at the Century City Conference Centre and Hotel in Cape Town, South Africa.** The Water Loss Conference and Exhibition 2018 will be one of the world's largest water loss conferences and is expected to attract over 500 participants from more than 50 countries. [Website.](#)

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