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MEDIA STATEMENT

RAND WATER AND THE WATER RESEARCH COMMISSION CO-HOST THE AFRICAN WATER AND SANITATION ASSOCIATION (AfWASA) SUMMIT

Rand Water and the Water Research Commission of South Africa will co-host the African Water and Sanitation Association's (AfWASA's) Scientific and Technical Council meeting from the **3 – 5 July 2023** at **Birchwood Hotel & Or Tambo Conference Centre, Boksburg Gauteng Province in South Africa.**

The 91st meeting will be attended by 200 delegates from several water and sanitation utilities in Africa. Formerly known as the African Water Association (AfWA), it was renamed AfWASA to include sanitation utilities and other related organizations.

The three-day meeting will be held under the theme, ***“From AfWA to AfWASA: What can governance and management structures do to boost water and sanitation performance in Africa”***.

The African Water and Sanitation Association (AfWASA) is a professional organization of stakeholders in the water and sanitation sector.

The Association's main mandate is to coordinate the search for knowledge and latest developments in innovation technology, legal, administration, and economic opportunities in the water, sanitation, and the environment sectors.

As AfWASA corporate members, this event will serve as an opportunity for Members to fully demonstrate their capabilities, efficiencies, and willingness to share experiences and knowledge to add wisdom into the water to bring new strategies to address water challenges in Africa.

The Scientific and Technical Council meeting will be marked, among other things, by the establishment of a new Strategic and Technological Council, which will replace the Scientific and Technical Council.

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