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***Water Operators' Partnerships as means of Water Cooperation,***

***March 26 at 18h30***

Water Cooperation is particularly important where you have a lot of stakeholders, which significantly complicates water management. UN-Habitat is leading the Global Water Operators' Partnerships Alliance (GWOPA), which is an initiative for Water Cooperation on the global level promoting the not-for-profit **Water Operators' Partnerships (WOPs)** approach. The concept is to build a platform through which public water operators can help one another address their water and sanitation challenges on a not-for-profit basis. WOPs enable operators to share knowledge and good practice, and they can be considered a form of cooperation in their own right. But these partnerships can also be a conduit for strengthening cooperation at different levels – including between different water 'managers', between operators and water users, and between managers and workers within a utility. WOPs can facilitate cooperation on national, regional, and global levels as well. It will be fun!



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