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Welcome Addresses



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Opening Session: Future Visions



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Wireless and Wireline: Evolving Infrastructures & Applications



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Keynote Session: Digital and Human Worlds



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Managing Disruptive Digital Technologies



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Designing Ethics for Artificial Intelligence and Effective Governance in a Complex World



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Public Health and Prevention / Digital Health Opportunities



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Keynote Opening Session

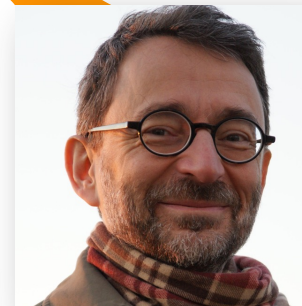
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Sustainable Smart Cities, Regions & Communities & Tech for Good



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Digitalisation in Energy Transition & Water Dynamics



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Cross-border Water Issues and Diplomacy



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Framing tools for Future Cross-Border Collaboration



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Women in Tech and Women in Water



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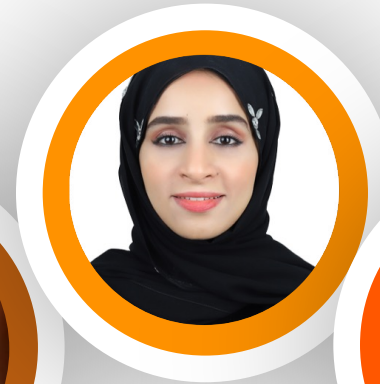
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Smart vs Nature Based Solutions



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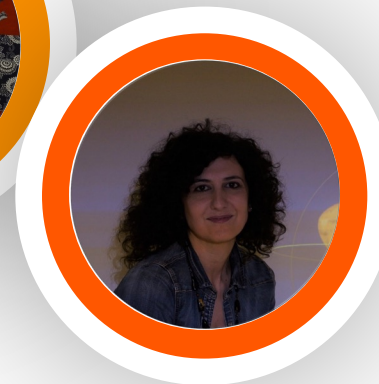
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Youth, Education and Awareness-Creation: Valuing Water



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Visualising and Mobilising Action Defending the Global Commons



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The Role of Business and Stakeholder Engagement



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A Comprehensive Approach to Mangroves and Wetlands Development



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Water, Food and Energy Nexus



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