

Forum - Results from the forum that was designed to help water utilities and resource managers identify and promote successful responses to the evident and growing climate-related challenges to water security and sustainability. American cities from Atlanta to Las Vegas are already dealing with severe water shortages, while other cities struggle with rising sea levels or catastrophic water events like hurricanes or excessive stormwater runoff.

• Cities of the Future 2010 (March 7-10, Boston, Massachusetts) brought together a diverse group of practitioners, researchers and policy-makers who shared a vision of an improved urban landscape for future generations. The conference hosted interdisciplinary discussions required to create sustainable urban infrastructure to meet the challenges of the 21st century and the interdependent engineered and natural systems that will characterize Cities of the Future. Read the post-conference blog and see the conference summary notes posted on the conference website.

• In January, the US EPA convened the First National Expert and Stakeholder Workshop on Water Infrastructure Sustainability and Adaptation to Climate Change. Presentations from this workshop are now available. Read WEF's blog about the workshop.

• Opportunities for Involvement

Civil and Church Government

• The civil government of Vatican City is headed by the cardinal president of the Pontifical Commission for Vatican City, which is the state's legislature;