

# Urban Water Research Centre

## **UWRC Monthly Newsletter - March**

#### **Research Proposals**

#### Current Funding Calls

UWRC Funding Opportunity - 2022 NSERC Collaborative Research and Training Experience (CREATE)

- Letter of Intent (LOI) Deadline: May 1
- Application Deadline: September 22 (if invited to apply)

#### **UWRC Funding Opportunity - NSERC - Alliance International**

• Deadline: No deadline (note that you can only apply once as primary applicant or co-applicant in a 12-month period)

#### UWRC Funding Opportunity - 2022 Strategic SRC Initiative Fund

- Deadline: Friday, 18 March 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Info session: Wednesday, 23 February 2022 from 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Sign up here

• Deadline: May 1, 2022 (next round due August 1, 2022)

**View All SRC Funding Opportunities** 

#### Research Proposals Under Review

ECCC Climate Action Fund LOI - (Li, Joksimovic, Atkinson, Oiamo, Laursen, Wellen, Abedlrahman)

NFRF Exploration Competition 2021 - (Hamza, Hania, Gilbride, Liss, Wellen, Koivisto)

NSERC RTI - 3 UWRC applications submitted: Hamza et al, Oswald et al, Liss et al.

## **For Information**

#### Nick Reid Memorial Award

We have received 12 applications from competitive and qualified students for the Nick Reid Memorial Award. The selection committee will gather in the coming weeks to finalize the award recipient.

Many thanks to those who have supported the award.

On March 17th, The Centre and Water Canada will remember Nick's passing on Twitter. Please RT, many thanks.



Tribute to Nicholas Reid 1955-2021

#### **Research Update**

#### Adopting Low-GHG Emission Wastewater Treatment Technologies is Key to Climate Change Mitigation



Dr. Rania Hamza and her colleagues are assessing the energy requirement and reliability level of different wastewater technologies in small communities across Ontario by partnering with the Ontario Clean Water Agency and Hannah Environmental Equipment Inc. This research aims to quantify and mitigate the energy consumption (and GHG emission) in the municipal wastewater treatment sector without sacrificing reliability.

**Read Full Article Here** 

#### **Staff News**

#### Welcoming Nitish Sarker

Welcome Nitish Sarker as the new Research and Operations Facilitator. Nitish hails from University of Toronto where he is completing his Phd in mechanical engineering. Nitish was just honoured with the Mortenson Center in Global Engineering's Outstanding Student Award 2022.



2022 Mortenson Center Global Engineering Award Winners

### **Strategic Planning**

#### Strategic Plan Update

Here is the latest version of the Urban Water Research Centre Strategic Plan 2022-2025.

Many thanks for your hard work and contributions over the last several months. The Strategic Plan incorporates the feedback of the External Review 2019, Advisory Board Meetings, Executive and General Member feedback.

This version is intended to be the last version for feedback. Please take a look, and if you have any further changes, please insert your comments as suggestions in the document.

Once final comments have been incorporated, we can move forward with activating the plan.

The Urban Water Research Centre Strategic Plan 2022-2025

#### UWRC Research Strategy Workshops

Three UWRC Research Workshops were held Feb 1-8, 2022 on the three (recently

confirmed) Strategic Research Themes: urban water management and governance, urban natural systems and green technologies, and freshwater science and governance.

The purpose of each Workshop was to build a team around each theme and curate research questions for the development of proposals. Moreover, the goal was to proactively develop key proposal storylines and anticipate and target appropriate funding calls.

Team leads will continue meetings to further advance planning around storylines, methods, anticipated funding calls, and next steps.

Summary of UWRC Research Strategy Workshops

### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

#### The Great Lakes Data Stream Initiative

Speaker: Lindsay Day & Carolyn DuBois, Gordon Foundation Date: May 4, 2022

Details to follow

**Great Lakes DataStream** 

### **Meeting Updates**

Please view the January 2022 UWRC meeting summary below.

January 2022 Meeting Summary

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