

Canal Cities: In the Midst of Climate Change

Objectives:

This unique event will focus on the global fields of canal and urban development, inviting representatives from cities, international organizations, business leaders, and dynamic youth representatives for in-depth discussions on the profound impact of climate change on canal cities.

Our aim is to delve deep into the critical role played by canal cities in the context of climate change. We aspire to facilitate interdisciplinary dialogue, thoroughly explore key challenges in sustainable development and climate adaptation for canal cities, and collectively seek innovative solutions.

City representatives will share successful policy practices, international organizations will provide expert insights, business leaders will showcase feasible business models, and the participation of youth will inject fresh energy and creativity into the discussion. By emphasizing the pivotal role of canal cities in climate change, we hope that through this side event, we can collectively work towards creating greener, smarter, and more resilient canal cities, becoming leaders in climate change response and guiding the future of sustainable development.

Date/Time: December 3, 2023 (Sunday) 16:45-18:15 (Dubai Time)

Venue: Blue Zone, UNFCCC SE ROOM 6

Draft Schedule:

Time	Agenda	Speakers
16:45-16:50	Introduction	Insight: The Mystery of Canal Cities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lin Chufang, Lingqu Museum Advisor
16:50-17:00	Achievement Presentation	Global Canal Rowing Action 2023 Achievement Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ken Lee, Co-founder of Global Canal Rowing Action, Former Secretary-General of the Asian Rowing Federation
17:00-17:20	Panel Discussion	International Cooperation and Experience Sharing: Collaborations of Canal Cities in Climate Action <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nan Feng, Director of C Team, Head of Biosphere 3 Solutions Pavilion <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wang Shi, Founder of Vanke Group, Founder of Biosphere 3, Chairman of Vanke Foundation Rudy Vander Ween, President of Inland Waterways International Jean-Christophe Rolland, President of World Rowing
17:20-17:25	Ceremony	Global Canal Rowing Action 2023 Finale: A New Green Journey Start from Dubai UAE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harry Amos, Representative of the Atlantic Rowing Crossing Yan Xian, Co-founder of Global Canal Rowing Action
17:25-17:50	Keynote Speech	Youth Engagement and Innovation: Shaping the Future of Canal Cities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Li Bingchen & Li Bingheng, The King's School Shenzhen International

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<p>17:50-18:15</p>	<p>Corporate Green Technology Showcase</p>	<p>Digital Technology and Climate Adaptation: Green Vision for Canal Cities</p> <p>Guidance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wu Lin, Deputy Researcher at China NGO Network for International Exchanges <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Zheng Kaiyu, Founder & CEO of Carbonebook ● Luo Huijun, Founder of YUENEUY (Online)