

## PRESS RELEASE

# International Conference on Resource Management Strategies for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals in Dresden

The United Nations University (UNU-FLORES), TU Dresden and IOER will host the second biennial Dresden Nexus Conference (DNC) on a Nexus Approach to managing environmental resources for sustainable development in the Deutsches Hygiene-Museum Dresden from 17 to 19 May 2017.

March 2016, Dresden. – At the inaugural DNC in 2015, over 350 participants from 65 countries and all continents came together in Dresden to share research and experience on applying nexusoriented strategies for achieving sustainable development. With the launch of the Sustainable Development Goals at the beginning of 2016, there has never been a more important time for advancing integrated and holistic strategies for managing the limited resources available on our planet.

Therefore once again, from 17 to 19 May 2017, the Dresden-based Institute for Integrated Management of Material Fluxes and of Resources of the University of the United Nations (UNUFLORES), the Technische Universität Dresden (TU Dresden) and the Leibniz Institute of Ecological Urban and Regional Development (IOER) will organize DNC2017 under the umbrella "SDGs and the Nexus Approach: Monitoring and Implementation". Word-class international researchers, practitioners and politicians will debate the sustainable use of environmental resources under conditions of planetary limits and growing demand.

Conference stakeholders include the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), UN-Habitat, UNESCO, multiple United Nations University Institutes as well as renowned international and research institutions such as the Global Water Partnership, the International Hydropower Association, the International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage, The International Water Management Institute, the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ), the Center for Development Research (ZEF), the Center for Environmental Systems Research, the German Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF) and the Sachsen State Ministry for Higher Education, Research and the Arts.

A Call for Proposals will be released in early spring of 2016.



For further information: http://www.dresden-nexus-conference.org,

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/

## Dresden Nexus Conference 2017 – SDGs and the Nexus Approach: Monitoring and Implementation

17–19 May 2017 Deutsches Hygiene-Museum Lingnerplatz 1 01069 Dresden, Germany

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#### United Nations University Institute on the Integrated Management of Material Fluxes and of Resources

The University of the United Nations aims to develop sustainable solutions for pressing global problems of human survival and development. The "Institute for the Integrated Management of Material Fluxes and of Resources" (UNU-FLORES) was established in Dresden, Germany in December 2012. The institute engages in research, capacity development, advanced teaching and training. UNU-FLORES develops strategies to resolve pressing issues in the area of sustainable use and integrated management of environmental resources such as soil, water and waste. <a href="http://flores.unu.edu/">http://flores.unu.edu/</a>

### Leibniz Institute of Ecological Urban and Regional Development (IOER)

The Leibniz Institute of Ecological Urban and Regional Development (IOER) is an establishment of the Leibniz Association for research in the spatial sciences. The IOER develops the scientific basis for the sustainable development of cities and regions in the national and international context. Research addresses ecological issues of sustainable development. <a href="http://www.ioer.de">http://www.ioer.de</a>

#### Technische Universität Dresden

The Technische Universität Dresden (TU Dresden) is one of Germany's eleven universities of excellence.: strong in research and considered first-rate with respect to the range and the quality of the study programmes it offers, it is also closely interconnected with culture, business and society. A strategic partnership between the Faculty of Environmental Sciences at TU Dresdem and UNU-FLORES has been established, which has led to joint research projects and a doctoral degree programme in "Integrated Management of Water, Soil and Waste". <a href="http://tu-dresden.de/en">http://tu-dresden.de/en</a>