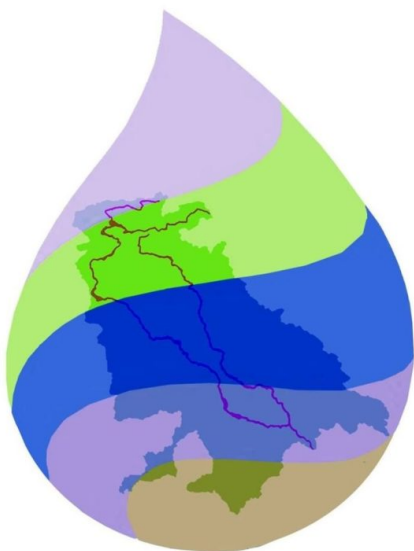


Call to the Mesopotamian Water Forum

We are very happy to announce the first civil society forum on water in the Middle East: the Mesopotamian Water Forum! The Mesopotamian Water Forum will be held between April 5-7, 2019 in Silemani (Sulaymaniyah) in South (Iraqi) Kurdistan and organized by civil society actors from the states of Iraq, Iran, Turkey and Syria.



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Among them particularly the Save the Tigris and Iraqi Marshes Campaign needs to be mentioned. The forum will be an open space for all who are interested in social and ecological alternatives on the management of the Euphrates and Tigris Rivers and their tributaries. The marginalized and excluded people from the Mesopotamia region will discuss with academicians, municipalities, local activists and NGO representatives (also from other regions) how the ongoing destruction can be limited and stopped and how the right to

water for all people can be achieved in short and long term. We consider water as a tool for cooperation and peace among all ethnicities, religions and social groups in the whole Mesopotamia region which is affected heavily also by wars.

We invite everybody to contribute to the main papers of the three main topics of the conference (Dams, pollution and community water management) which will be published in advance of the event to kickstart the discussions. Visit our page for more information and save the date!

<http://www.savethetigris.org/international-mesopotamian-water-forum/>

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