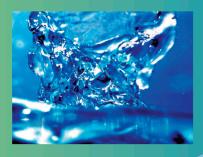


Inspiring Innovation and Excellence

A Global Need – A Global Solution

Welcome to the IDA Desalination Academy.



Desalination is the source of fresh water for more than 300 million people worldwide who count on its ability to meet some or all of their daily water needs. In fact, desalination is unique in its ability to provide a new, reliable and sustainable

supply of potable water to our thirsty planet. With population and economic growth, climate change and degradation of many traditional water resources, desalination is unquestionably one of the most important aspects of water management solutions for the 21st century.

Every day, desalination technologies continue to advance. New developments have lowered energy requirements, enhanced environmental stewardship, helped realize the potential for water reuse, and contributed to dynamic industry growth over the past decade.

Along with this progress comes the need for a center of learning and continued education to keep today's desalination professionals on the cutting edge of knowledge – and to create a path for professional development for those new to the industry.

The International Desalination Association – the hub of information for the world's desalination community – introduces the IDA Desalination Academy – the premier global training institution focused on desalination and water reuse.

Our Mission

The mission of the IDA Desalination Academy is to provide the highest level of education and training to individuals, utilities, companies, institutions, universities and other organizations focused on the many aspects of desalination. Our goal is to create an exceptional learning experience.

To achieve this objective, we've assembled a faculty of Master Teachers who are recognized around the world for expertise in their specific fields of study and also possess significant practical experience in their specialty areas. This approach bridges the gap between theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience that offers real-world insights to individuals enrolled in the IDA Desalination Academy.

The IDA Desalination Academy includes in-depth examination of desalination technologies and processes, desalination economics including new models for financing and costing plants, strategies for sustainability and "green" desalination, and emerging technologies. This curriculum provides a 360° view of desalination – not only for today, but for the future.



A Global Institution

We have designed the IDA Desalination Academy to be a truly global initiative. Desalination is used in 150 countries around the world, and our aim is to

make advanced knowledge readily accessible to professionals worldwide by providing courses in varying geographic locations.

Some of the Academy's courses will be co-located with major water and desalination events, while others will be standalone programs. In both cases, our goal is to bring the highest standards of instruction to industry professionals around the world.





A Different Kind of Training Experience

The IDA Desalination Academy is different from any other training program in many other important ways.

First, the Academy is not just a series of single courses. Instead, it provides a comprehensive curriculum covering all aspects of desalination from technologies to finance and operations – all conceived as an inclusive program.

Second, participants will receive a Certificate of Completion for successfully accomplishing a specific course of study. This certification makes individuals more marketable in a highly competitive environment by recognizing their advanced training and skills. For companies, certification of their staff reflects a commitment to the highest standards of professional skills and knowledge in the organization.

IDA is also actively pursuing Course Accreditation to denote that the IDA Desalination Academy represents a recognized standard of quality. Once in place, accreditation will add an important new dimension to the Academy's curriculum and its role as a leading educational institution.



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The IDA Desalination Academy aspires to increase knowledge that leads to innovation – but that is only the start. Attending the Academy creates a platform for sharing ideas, building new connections and exchanging insights as participants enhance their skills and expand their professional development.

At the IDA Desalination Academy, we focus on not only increasing practical skills and knowledge but putting these advances in a broader context. Everyone involved in today's desalination industry plays an important role in shaping the world's water solutions for future generations.

We are committed to encouraging innovation, thinking "outside the box" and fostering excellence. That is the lasting role of the IDA Desalination Academy. To learn more about the IDA Desalination Academy, please visit **www.idadesal.org** or email the International Desalination Association at info@idadesal.org.

The International Desalination Association (IDA) is the world's leading organization dedicated to the advancement of desalination, desalination technology and water reuse, and the foremost resource for news and information, education, and professional development for the global desalination industry.



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