

GLOBALIZATION TRENDLAB 2016

# Water: Scarcity, Excess, and the Geopolitics of Allocation

**The Lauder Institute, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, March 21-24, 2016**

WE INVITE applications from faculty and researchers affiliated with the global network of Santander Universities for a four-day workshop and conference.

The Globalization TrendLab at the Lauder Institute and The Wharton School seeks to generate new knowledge and analysis on the problems and opportunities inherent to a global economy through annual academic conferences linking highly respected global scholars and practitioners. The sixth workshop and conference will take place on March 21-24, 2016 and will focus on the theme of **Water: Scarcity, Excess, and the Geopolitics of Allocation**.

We have invited thought leaders from diverse disciplinary (e.g., management, scientific, civil & environmental engineering, finance and public policy) and professional (e.g., construction services, consulting, finance, multilateral agencies, governments officials and civil society) backgrounds to analyze specific challenges faced in finding, preserving, and delivering water to a growing population, and to propose innovative solutions through focused panels.

The conference will synthesize our collective learning on the topic of **Water** and offer guidance on new thinking and potential strategies to business leaders, policymakers and academics. The workshop and conference discussions will focus on issues such as:

- developing reliable water infrastructure;
- balancing the needs of cities and agriculture;
- coordinating responses to problems of water access and allocation from government and NGOs;
- managing the cross-border challenges of water access

A copy of the white papers summarizing conferences held in 2011-2015 on Risk, Sustainability, Poverty and Inequality, the State, and Infrastructure can be downloaded [here](#).

**To apply, please click [here](#).**

The Globalization TrendLab 2016 is funded through a generous gift from Santander.

