

**THE LAGOS STATE WATER REGULATORY COMMISSION  
3RD LAGOS INTERNATIONAL WATER CONFERENCE (LIWAC 2022)  
LAGOS WASH INVESTORS' CAFÉ  
Thursday, June 30, 2022, 9:30 am  
Eko Hotel, Victoria Island, Lagos**

## **1. The WASH Investors' Café**

The LIWAC 2022 among other programs considers Lagos WASH Investors' Café as a key approach in consolidating the achievements of 2021 by bringing Lagos WASH priority projects to the roundtable with partners from the public and private sectors. From 2020 till date, the Lagos State Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources (MoE&WR) has worked closely with other MDAs, WaterAid, and ARCTIC INFRASTRUCTURE (AI) to identify priority projects to strengthen water security and climate resilience in Lagos State. The MoE&WR is working closely with the UNDP, WaterAid, and AI to attract climate finance for some of these projects. However, given the multiple challenges facing the State, there is a need for significant additional funds to meet the water sector's needs. Projects proposed by the MDAs will form the basis of the presentations at the Café

The Café which will be convened by the Lagos State Water Regulatory Commission (LASWARCO) in collaboration with the MoE&WR, WaterAid, and AI will present an opportunity to bring the needs of the WASH sector in form of operational and financial data to the partners. The following are the objectives of the Café:

- a. To bring together the public and private sector players on the challenges, innovative financing, and investment opportunities in the WASH sector of Lagos State.
- b. To provide insights into the gaps and the needs of the WASH sector of Lagos State.
- c. To proffer solutions on how to convert the sector's needs into transactable projects acceptable at both the local and global WASH investments market.
- d. To identify and create support for short, medium, and long-term WASH implementable projects.

At the end of the Café, the following outcomes are expected;

- a. MDAs will receive robust technical and market operations feedback for the projects to be presented at the Café.
- b. High prospect of donors and investors adopting and exploring project financing opportunities for the priority WASH projects in Lagos State.
- c. Improved skills for the participating MDAs on how to prepare market-ready WASH projects with peculiarity to the city of Lagos.
- d. WASH networking platform that will transform into a long-term increase in access to sustainable water and sanitation in Lagos.
- e. Considerable fulfillment of the enabling law for the Lagos State Water Regulatory Commission (LASWARCO) that emphasized inward investment into the Lagos WASH Sector.



- f. Partnership and collaborations are created to drive project delivery which is replicable in other large cities across the world.