

Safe reuse of wastewater and treated excreta in agriculture: Options, assessments and potential barriers for fulfilment

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Objectives:

The objective of the workshop is to present and discuss wastewater, greywater and excreta management and agricultural use. The perspectives of the technical and non-technical options for risk reduction will be presented and discussed, as well as the nutritional benefits with the re-use. This will compare with the “WHO Guidelines for the Safe Use of Excreta, Greywater and Wastewater in Agriculture” and with the current management options as related to barriers to disease transmission as well as with different sanitation system solutions, including dry toilets.

The second objective is to discuss holistic planning in this field, and the potential for other fields, through the concept of networks or Learning Alliances.

Programme:

Revised Times	Presentation/Discussion	Person
20 min (9.30 – 9.50)	Opening. Introduction. Aim of the Workshop.	KW
30 min (9.50 – 10.20)	Summary of the WASPA project in Sri Lanka/Bangladesh, including the concept of Learning Alliances	KW
10 min (10.20 – 10.30)	Short views and comments from participants	KW facilitate
30 min (10.30-11.00)	WHO Guidelines for the Safe Use of Excreta, Greywater and Wastewater in Agriculture. How does it apply in the local perspective? PART I	TAS
11.00-11.30	BREAK	
30 min (11.30 – 12.00)	WHO Guidelines for the Safe Use of Excreta, Greywater and Wastewater in Agriculture. How does it apply in the local perspective? PART II	TAS
30 min (12.00 – 12.30)	Questions and views from participants. Local applicability and constraints	KW and TAS
12.30-13.30	BREAK	
90 min (13.30-15.00)	Technical and non-technical aspects of treatment and reuse. Barriers to disease transmission and management options for risk reduction.	TAS
30 min (15.00-15.30)	Group discussion on its applicability in the local context. Possibilities and constraints!	KW facilitate
15.30 – 15.50	BREAK	
40 min (15.50-16.30)	Stakeholder opinions and institutional arrangements. Legal options within the local context. Monitoring and the potential role of stakeholders/alliances in this respect	PJ
30 min 16.30 – 17.00	Final discussion and closing remarks	