

YOUTH WATER COMPETITION
organised by
Global Water Partnership(GWP) Eastern Africa
in conjunction with
GTZ Cooperation among River Basin Organisations

The Global Water Partnership (GWP) promotes integrated water resources management for better life and livelihoods. It was founded in 1996 with the aim of establishing neutral platforms and creating partnerships among different stakeholders-government departments, donors and civil society- in order to accelerate learning and sharing of experience between water users and institutions responsible for managing water resources and services.

GWP has worked closely with African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW), which leads policy making in the water sector on the continent. AMCOW is preparing for the African Heads of State Summit with the United Nations that shall take place in Egypt in July 2008.

As part of its contribution, GWP with the support of the GTZ Cooperation among River Basin Organisations, would like to involve the children and youth in formulating the appropriate continental message to the Summit. GWP and GTZ are calling upon all interested children and youths in the categories listed below to participate in the competition as elaborated below: -

Category 1: (Children aged between 7 and 12).

Make a **drawing or painting** on the effects of lack of water for food and power; poor water supply and sanitation in communities; or extreme events such as floods and droughts, based on the experiences in their home countries.

Category 2: (Youths aged between 13 and 18)

Write an **Essay** of not more than 1000 words. The essay should focus on what people and governments should do to reduce impacts from inadequate water and sanitation in Africa.

Prizes: There will be prizes for each winner in Eastern, Western, Central, Northern and Southern Africa. The champions will travel to Cairo to present their winning creations at the African Union Summit on June 30th 2008.

Submissions should not be later than May 30th 2008 preferably by e-mail to:

GWP Eastern Africa Regional Office
c/o Nile Basin Initiative Secretariat
P.O Box 192
Entebbe (Uganda)

Or Email us at: youthwater@nilebasin.org

Note: Participants should include their contacts, country, district, school, class and proof of their stated age.