

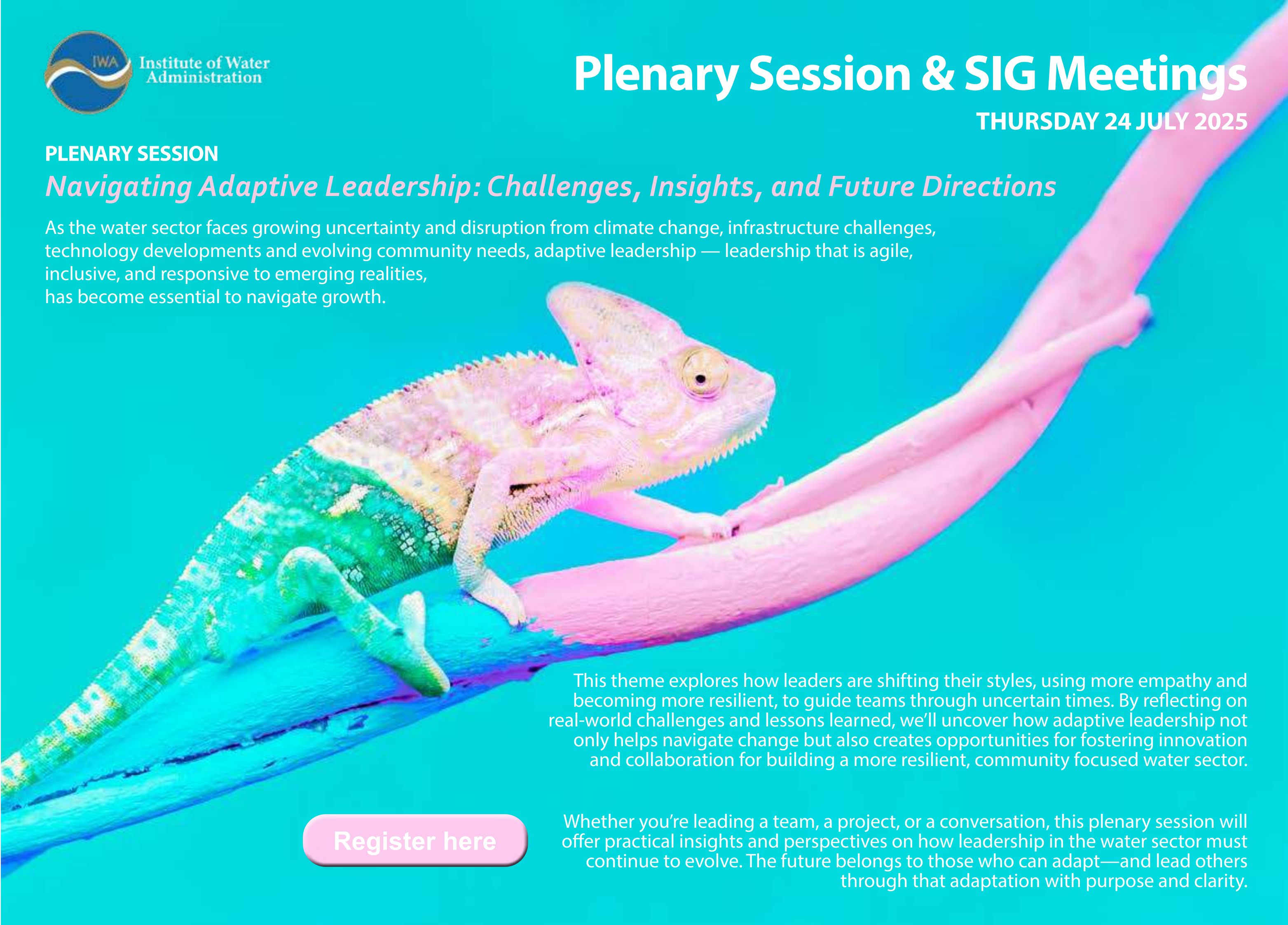
Plenary Session & SIG Meetings

THURSDAY 24 JULY 2025

PLENARY SESSION

Navigating Adaptive Leadership: Challenges, Insights, and Future Directions

As the water sector faces growing uncertainty and disruption from climate change, infrastructure challenges, technology developments and evolving community needs, adaptive leadership — leadership that is agile, inclusive, and responsive to emerging realities, has become essential to navigate growth.



This theme explores how leaders are shifting their styles, using more empathy and becoming more resilient, to guide teams through uncertain times. By reflecting on real-world challenges and lessons learned, we'll uncover how adaptive leadership not only helps navigate change but also creates opportunities for fostering innovation and collaboration for building a more resilient, community focused water sector.

[Register here](#)

Whether you're leading a team, a project, or a conversation, this plenary session will offer practical insights and perspectives on how leadership in the water sector must continue to evolve. The future belongs to those who can adapt—and lead others through that adaptation with purpose and clarity.

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SIG MEETINGS

The Special Interest Groups will meet from **10am** and are open to Victorian water corporation employees. Register for SIG meetings and the plenary session via the button below.

SIG agendas will become available on the [IWA website](#) and through Eventbrite once registered. Any queries regarding a SIG, please contact the relevant [SIG convenor](#).

[Register here](#)

For general enquiries please contact:
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PLENARY SPEAKERS

Stuart Wilson

Stuart is the Deputy Executive Director at WSAA and supports the Executive Director in the development and implementation of the WSAA's strategic plans and policies, provides support of Board activities and financial oversight of the organisation. Stuart leads WSAA's involvement in investment, regulation, competition, and structural change issues.



Therese Tierney

Therese is the Chair of VicWater and East Gippsland Water and holds Chair and director roles in the health sector. Therese held CEO roles in the health sector for many years and works as a consultant providing solutions to challenges to business and governance focusing on system thinking, foresight and engaged and adaptive people.

