

SUSTAINABLE WATER MANAGEMENT

STERF and R&A Webinar, at 15.00 – 17.00 CET, September 24th 2026

European golf courses are experience more challenges with drought because of global warming. In this webinar, we focus on how golf course can face these challenges by: (1) transitioning to grasses with higher drought resistance, (2) optimal use of soil surfactants and (3) use of brackish and recycled water.

PROGRAM

Welcome! *Maria Strandberg, STERF*

European golf and the Water Stewardship Roadmap - Maximising the golf sector's resilience and responsibility *Jonathan Smith, Sustainable Golf Foundation*

Drought tolerance and recovery capacity of temperate turfgrass species and screening of soil surfactants to save water on golf course fairways
Trygve S. Aamlid, NIBIO

Recycled and brackish water for golf course irrigation in Sweden
Michael Bekken, (formerly) NIBIO

Optimizing water efficiency on sand-capped fairways: Practical use of surfactants at Hirsala Golf *Janne Lehto, Hirsala Golf, Finland*

Water security index *Tom Young, TEP-The Environment Partnership*

Water stress resistance of C3 and C4 turfgrass species and the impact of wetting agents and biostimulants in Mediterranean regions
*Lorena Parra, Polytechnical University of Madrid and
Diego Gómez de Barreda, Polytechnical University of Valencia, Spain*

Q&A:s, Conclusion and end of the webinar *John Kemp, The R&A*

No registration is required

A link to the webinar will be shared in August/September via STERF's LinkedIn page, the STERF website ([Sterf.org](https://sterf.org)), and the STERF Newsletter. Please feel free to share the link with anyone who may benefit from attending the webinar.

