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Targeted Call for Innovative Technologies for the 2017 IR² Forum

(Alexandria, VA) - The [Leaders in Innovation Forum for Technology](#) (LIFT) seeks cutting-edge water technologies that improve resource (water, energy, or nutrient) recovery at municipal or industrial wastewater, stormwater, and water reuse facilities. Accepted technologies may be highlighted at a 2017 Intensification and Resource Recovery (IR²) Forum sponsored by the Water Environment Federation (WEF) and the Water Environment & Reuse Foundation (WE&RF). All interested technologies must be accepted into the LIFT [Technology Scan](#) program to be eligible. New technologies that have not previously applied to the LIFT Technology Scan program are asked to complete an application in [LIFT Link](#) highlighting key aspects of their technology or process for review by a panel of experts. Previously accepted Technology Scan applicants will be contacted by LIFT and asked to complete a short form highlighting recent developments and stating an interest in presenting, as well as ensure their technology profile on LIFT Link is up-to-date.

Accepted LIFT Technology Scan applicants receive a variety of benefits, such as inclusion in LIFT Link, exposure to appropriate stakeholders, assistance with commercialization, and comments from technical experts and potential customers. Selected technology providers will be invited to present at the IR² Forum taking place August 10-12, 2017 at Manhattan College in New York City.

The IR² Forum is an intensive 3-day session focused on innovations in wastewater and water reuse. The Forum will be attended by 150+ leading experts and practitioners from utilities, consulting firms, universities, and other key representatives in the industry. Technologies or processes of interest to this group must demonstrate a significant advancement over existing operations. This can be reductions in capital costs, O&M costs, volume/footprint, or enhanced recovery of water, energy, or nutrients. Preference will be given to technologies that can show a >30% gain in any or some combination thereof of the aforementioned criteria.

Example topic areas of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Novel/Emerging Biological Processes
- Innovations in Process Control
- Advanced Wastewater Treatment

Submissions for Technology Scans are due no later than **5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, January 17, 2017** if you wish to be considered for the IR² Forum. There is no cost to apply. To apply please visit <http://liftlink.werf.org>, log in using WE&RF credentials, and then press the 'Apply' button at the top. Should you need to create a log-in, please go to www.werf.org and create a user profile (user name/password) [direct link](#).

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About LIFT

The Leaders Innovation Forum for Technology (LIFT) is a multi-pronged initiative undertaken by the Water Environment & Research Foundation (WE&RF) and the Water Environment Federation (WEF) to help bring new water technology to the field quickly and efficiently. To learn more, visit www.werf.org/lift.

About WE&RF

The Water Environment & Reuse Foundation is America's leading independent scientific research organization dedicated to wastewater, stormwater, and water reuse. LIFT is moving innovation into practice by providing a forum for technology developers to introduce their emerging, pre-commercial, and newly commercialized technologies to funders, advisors, and end users. To learn more, visit www.werf.org.

About WEF

The Water Environment Federation (WEF) is a not-for-profit technical and educational organization of 33,000 individual members and 75 affiliated Member Associations representing water quality professionals around the world. Since 1928, WEF and its members have protected public health and the environment. As a global water sector leader, our mission is to connect water professionals; enrich the expertise of water professionals; increase the awareness of the impact and value of water; and provide a platform for water sector innovation. To learn more, visit www.wef.org.