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Summary of all the events organized by the LEWAP student chapter in 2022:

Waste Water Treatment Plant Bcharre Site Visit:

The UOB LEWAP student chapter has organized a site visit to Bcharre's waste water treatment plant in order for students to explore a one of a kind nature based solution wetland treatment plant constructed using Reed bed filters which presents a form of sustainable solution in the treatment process of reusable water.

Wave Makers United video:

On March 8 2022, the UOB-LEWAP student chapter have recorded a video that was displayed in the Expo Dubai 22 which identifies the objectives of the chapter that aims to develop countries in water and sanitation related activities and boost local populations' engagement in water management improvements that matches the objectives of SDG6: Clean Water and Sanitation.

Sustainable Water and Sanitation Services Seminar

On March 29 2022, the UOB LEWAP student chapter hosted a seminar aiming to promote the integration of youth in water sector by creating activities such as self-learning models and videos to improve awareness regarding SDG6 related topics. The invited guest speakers were pioneers in sustainable sanitation infrastructure thus providing valuable information to the audience present about the topic.





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MOU with Wave Makers United:

On April 6 2022, the University of Balamand have signed an MOU with Wave Makers United. The main objective of Wave Makers United is to inspire, motivate, activate, and give visibility to the water, food and energy innovations and thereby create awareness around the various global challenges we are facing, which corresponds with the vision of the Faculty of Engineering and LEWAP student chapter who seek to solve the problems of all matters related to water resources along with the development of innovative solutions. The LEWAP chapter was represented by its advisor Dr. Yasmine Jabali, who played a key role in securing this agreement. Dr. Jabaly is one of the leaders in academic research on water topics at UOB.



Radio interview

On April 8 2022 president of the UOB LEWAP student chapter conducted a radio interview with Mr. John Saad, founder and presenter of the official Lebanese top 20 on Radio Lebanon, discussing the initiatives taken by the University of Balamand towards raising awareness regarding water sustainability and management, as well as explaining their role in the SWIM initiative.



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SWIM-Amchit

On May 21 2022, the UOB LEWAP student chapter participated in the SWIM initiative by helping clean Amchit shore aiming in preserving cleanliness and raising awareness about sea water pollution.

SWIM-Kadisha

The UOB LEWAP student chapter has organized a cleaning campaign of one of the most vital water resources in North Lebanon (Kadisha River) under SWIM initiative aiming to raise awareness about the consequences of polluting water resources and how any individual could contribute in increasing water sustainability and management.



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Zahle Waste Water Treatment Plant and LARI Site Visit

On October 24 2022, the UOB LEWAP student chapter has organized a site visit to Zahle Waste Water treatment plant for the students of environmental engineering courses showing them a full phased treatment process of polluted municipal waste water. The visit's purpose was mainly highlighting the importance of water treatment, sustainability and reuse following SDG6 principles. This was further explained and displayed at the Lebanese agricultural research institute where we witnessed a nature based treatment plant.



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On October 11 2022, the UOB LEWAP student chapter in collaboration with wavemakers united have proposed a one million action postcard initiative allowing people from around the world to share their thoughts and opinions about water on postcards that will be uploaded to a virtual platform. This initiative aims in assessing knowledge and understanding of various age groups about water as well as benefitting from valuable expert opinions regarding solutions and actions to be taken towards a more sustainable water world.