

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2005 – present **Chief Science Officer, *Unisféra International Center, Montreal, Canada***
- Author and Chapter Facilitator for the 3rd World Water Development Report (for UNESCO, Paris)
 - Served as Special Policy Advisor and Senior Technical Consultant to the Japan Water Forum on several topics (climate change adaptation in the water sector, integrated flood management), programs (Asia-Pacific Water Forum, Northern Water Network) and events (3rd and 4th World Water Forum, Stockholm World Water Week, 1st Asia Pacific Water Summit)
 - Developed the scientific and engineering components for the *Planetair.ca* carbon emissions offset program
 - Authored reports such as “Outlook 2030: Globalization and the Environment” for OECD and “Building Capacity of French NGOs for Adaptation to Climate Change in the Post-Kyoto Regime” for France’s Climate Action Network
- 2005 - 2006 **Governor, Board of the World Water Council, *Marseilles, France***
- Served and represented the World Water Council as a member of the board
- March 2003 **Head Rapporteur, 3rd World Water Forum, *Kyoto, Japan***
- Wrote daily press-releases, the Summary Forum Statement, and was responsible for coordinating the team of official rapporteurs
- 2001 – 2005 **Project Manager, *International Secretariat of the Co-operative Programme on Water and Climate, UNESCO-IHE, Delft, the Netherlands***
- Coordinated eighteen regional, national and basin-level multi-stakeholder dialogues worldwide
 - Organized conferences and side-events on water sector adaptation to climate change at key international symposia (3rd World Water Forum, Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development, UNFCCC Conference of Parties)
 - Produced and coordinated reports and other communications materials (brochures, articles, documentary film, website)
- 2000 – 2001 **Senior Technical Specialist, *World Water Council, Western Hemispheric Bureau, Montreal, Canada***
- Developed strategic policy recommendations for increasing water-sector funding from multilateral and bilateral developmental donor agencies and for improving cooperation between water sector stakeholders across North, South and Central America
- 1999 - 2000 **Coordinator / Author, *North American Regional Vision (World Water Vision) World Water Council, Vision Management Unit, UNESCO, Paris, France***
- Developed and authored the final report, presented at the 2nd World Water Forum
- 1996 - 1999 **Project Coordinator, *Freshwater Issues, North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation (NACEC - NAFTA), Montreal, Canada***
- Coordinated projects on transboundary freshwater resources and the impacts of climate change on the sustainability of North American water supplies
- 1996 - 2004 **Faculty Lecturer, *Université de Sherbrooke, Dept. of Geography and Remote Sensing, Sherbrooke, Canada***
- Global Biogeochemistry

EDUCATION

- 1995 **M.Sc. Biogeochemistry**, *McGill University, Department of Geography, Montreal, Quebec*
Thesis: "An Examination of Carbon Flow in a Bay of Fundy Salt Marsh"
- 1993 **B.Sc. Physical Geography**, *Université de Sherbrooke, Département de géographie, Sherbrooke, Quebec*

PUBLICATIONS

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- Connor, R. 1999, "Vision on Water, Life and the Environment For the 21st Century: North American Region" *World Water Council*, Marseilles, France.
- North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation, 1999, "North American Transboundary Inland Water Management Report", Montreal, Quebec. Senior Editor: Richard Connor (NACEC).
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