Wateropleidingen also known as Water World Academy are a leading training institute in the water sector for the Netherlands. They were established in 1993 specifically to improve the practical knowledge and quality of their employees on water issues. They offer courses for all water related topics in both the Netherlands and abroad.

eThekwini Water & Sanitation and Wateropleidingen are developing a training course for wastewater works process controllers. Special training sessions were carried out by Agnes Maenhout: Managing Director and Johan Oost: Project Officer from Wateropleidingen and Kees Kort: Senior Advisor Wastewater Management from Waternet. The course module is called Basic Wastewater Treatment. This course is a showcase project for a proposed Centre of Expertise to be based in EWS. The first step is called Train the Trainer. Four of our EWS staff have been trained as trainers. They are Freshine Govender and Paul Noluti from Customer Services while Nduduzi Dlamini and Shenelle Emmanuel are from Works Branch. These trainers will roll out training to our process controllers as well as those from other municipalities in order to build capacity in the wastewater treatment sector. The second step involves developing the course material. This is being finalised. The final step is to roll out the training later this year.

This training will also support and sustain our Green Drop programme. “This is yet another exciting initiative from EWS”. Congratulations to our trainees and thank you to the Centre of Expertise.