**Country: Italy**

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**Topic: Global Water Crisis**

Italy believes that consistent access to clean water is a basic human right. Some countries have lots of water such as Canada, Scotland and Switzerland. However, some other countries such as Yemen and Libya have problems with water resources. There is water scarcity in most of the countries. Unfortunately, Italy is one of them. Last summer, Italy has declared a state of emergency because of drought. There was a terrible heat wave in most of the Italian cities. The Italian government tried hard to tackle the water shortage and found emergency funds. It did not rain for months and agriculture was affected negatively. The lack of snow in the Alps Mountains made the problem worse. The combination of heat, lack of rain fall and less snow in winter have caused the worst drought ever in Italy. As a result, lots of crops have been lost. To find some solutions, Italy has announced some restrictions. Decorative fountains were closed and people were warned to use less water. As Italy delegation, we believe that people should reuse the waste water. This would be the most effective solution against scarcity. It requires investment, planning and organization. We believe that Italy will overcome this problem soon.

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