DEAN AMHAUS
President & CEO

Dean Amhaus has served as the first President & CEO of The Water Council since March 2010. Headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA, The Water Council was formed in 2009 to drive economic, technology and talent development to support the global water industry. With over 190 members and 225 water technology companies in Milwaukee’s Water Technology Cluster, the organization convenes global water leaders and supports businesses, utilities, government agencies, education programs and non-profits, with valuable services, programming and networking opportunities. One of TWC’s most significant achievements occurred in September 2013 with the opening of the Global Water Center, a one-of-a-kind water technology research and business accelerator located in a 98,000 sq. ft. / 30,000 sq. m. seven-story refurbished Silver LEED warehouse in Milwaukee’s downtown.

Under Mr. Amhaus’ leadership The Water Council has received numerous international and national economic development and leadership awards. In 2018, Brookings Metropolitan Policy Program proclaimed that The Water Council was one of five organizations in the United States that it considers a successful industry cluster initiative.

Dean has served as the President of the Spirit of Milwaukee, which is dedicated to enhancing Milwaukee’s image; President of Forward Wisconsin, the state’s economic development organization; and Executive Director of the Wisconsin Sesquicentennial Commission. For six years, Dean was with the Wisconsin Arts Board; first as Deputy Director and later as Executive Director. During the 1980’s he worked in government relations in Washington, D.C. Schooled in Wisconsin, Mr. Amhaus received his MBA from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and his BS in Business from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.