



THE ROLE OF WATER AND SANITATION IN THE GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

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OVERVIEW

In June 2012 the Rio+20 UN Conference on Sustainable Development confirmed the crosscutting importance of water in and for sustainable development. In the Rio+20 outcome document, *"The Future We Want"*, water appears as a horizontal issue that is inextricably linked to the majority of priority areas identified for global action.

To better define the pathway towards sustainability, the Rio+20 outcome document calls for the establishment of universally applicable sustainable development goals (SDGs). While the document does not identify individual SDG areas, in view of the crosscutting role of water it is widely accepted that a stand-alone SDG or SDGs should be dedicated to water.

Various international bodies are engaged in the assessment of existing and the elaboration of future water-related development goals, including an SDG. With a view to assess and summarise these activities as well as to provide guidance for future work the Government of Hungary, in cooperation with the UN system and the World Water Council, organises a global conference: the Budapest Water Summit in Budapest, the capital city of Hungary, between 8-11 October 2013.

Objectives

Thus the principal objective of the 2013 Budapest Water Summit: The Role of Water and Sanitation in the Global Sustainable Development Agenda is to take stock of the various developments, in and outside the UN system, in preparing water-related goals for the post Rio+20 development agenda.

Based on the outcomes of various UN programmes and initiatives as well as the World Water Forum series of the World Water Council, respectively, it also aims to present practical, accessible and affordable solutions to the

main challenges identified. The Summit is expected to provide defining contributions to the elaboration of one overarching SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely) SDG on water and sanitation that corresponds and responds to multidimensional challenges.

The Budapest Water Summit is envisaged as a policy forum to facilitate consensus building amongst stakeholders concerning water and sanitation policy goals. As the Summit aims to formulate a concrete recommendation for the UN General Assembly for setting the post-2015 development agenda, it must bridge political, scientific and technical aspects in the elaboration of the water and sanitation related SDG. It is therefore imperative that the Summit be structured in such a way as to provide an open policy forum for all stakeholders involved in shaping the global post-2015 agenda.

Areas covered

Striving for universal access to water and sanitation: Critical issues of access to water and sanitation, urban water infrastructure planning, waste water management, development and maintenance from technological, financial, public health and human rights aspects, with a view to providing sustained access;

Integrated water resources management for the 21st century: The challenges of adaptation and resilience in face of a growing population and a changing climate – complex solutions for pollution prevention, soil and groundwater protection, food security, disaster risk management including floods and droughts and man-made disasters, water storage and recycling, the water, food and energy nexus;

Good water governance: International cooperation, transboundary river basin and aquifer management, integrated institutional strategy in planning and implementation, stakeholder participation in the

preparation of water policies; capacity development, education, research, data management, monitoring and assessment;

Green economy for blue water: Traditional and innovative water technologies and techniques in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication; practical, affordable, local solutions in the various regions of the world;

Investment in and financing of the implementation of water and sanitation SDG: The availability and best use of national and international financial resources and institutions; best practices, lessons learned. In addition to official development policy, special attention is to be paid to investment in water and sanitation as a regular course of business.

Structure

The above issues will be discussed in five thematic plenary Summit sessions and a special evening session. Each thematic session will be introduced by three keynote speeches to be delivered by the representative of a developing country, a developed country and an international organisation/NGO, respectively. Keynote addresses will be followed by moderated Davos-style discussions by a series of distinguished panellists, selected in view of a proper geographical and gender balance. The conclusions of each thematic session will be summarised by a rapporteur, who will present the relevant findings to the closing plenary session. The closing joint plenary will adopt the statement.

Next to the Plenary sessions, parallel stakeholder meetings, the Science Forum, the Youth Forum, the Civil Society Forum and the Business Leaders Forum will be held. The forums are invited to provide written contributions to the Budapest Statement.

The Philanthropy Roundtable, a special evening session on 10 October, will

address the issues of innovation support and the exchange of information and best practices. Representatives of the participating organisations will share their experience through concrete examples.

A Water and Sanitation Expo will be organised at the conference venue. The Expo will focus on clean, innovative and affordable solutions in the field of water and sanitation, clustered into the following areas: R&D and capacity building, manufacturing, construction, utility services management, consulting, international associations.

The expected outcome of the Budapest Water Summit

The Budapest Water Summit attempts to cover these issues in a complex interdisciplinary, interconnected yet practical manner combining policy, scientific, financial-economic as well as governmental and non-governmental approaches and inputs. The outcome document, the *Budapest Statement*, will identify the possible water-related building blocks of a "Big Water SDG" to be incorporated into future SMART SDGs as well as the post-2015 development agenda.

Connections to other previous and future events

The Summit particularly aims to build on the conclusions of the 6th World Water Forum, held in Marseille, France, March 2012, the proceedings of the World Water Day events in March 2013 held in The Hague, The Netherlands, the Conference on International Water Cooperation in August in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, the Stockholm World Water Week in September 2013 and the 68th session of the United Nations General Assembly. The Summit will formulate its conclusions with a view to providing contributions to the 7th World Water Forum to be held in Daegu, the Republic of Korea, in 2015. The Water Summit forms part of the events of the UN International Year of Water Cooperation led by UNESCO.

Participants

The Budapest Water Summit warmly welcomes 1200 participants from Member States of the United Nations, competent UN bodies as well as further international organisations, international development financial institutions and agencies, private philanthropic organisations, civil society organisations and the private business sector.

Thanks to the peculiarity of the Budapest Water Summit participants are able to:

- Establish collaborations with potential business partners, experts and government officials from all over the world, from twelve hundreds participants a day,
- Find partners for development projects,
- Gain knowledge about the players in the water management field and their technologies,
- Meet representatives of other international companies within the water industry,
- Join the Partnering Service which creates a platform for bilateral meetings through a professional registration process and on-site personal assistance.
- Contribute to the elaboration of *Budapest Statement on Water and Sanitation*
- Visit any sessions and events of the BWS freely, including the main plenary sessions, the meetings of the Science, Youth, Civil and Society Forums. Due to space constraints participation at the high level opening is by invitation only. Participation at the Budapest Water Summit is free of charge, which includes meals provided during the sessions of the BWS.

Partnering service

A partnering service to help set up meetings will be at the disposal of all stakeholders during the Budapest Water Summit.

DRAFT PROGRAMME SCHEDULE OF THE PLENARY SITTING

8 October, Afternoon Opening Ceremony

Opening speeches

H.E. Mr János Áder, President of Hungary [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Ban Ki-moon, Secretary General of the United Nations [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Jejomar Binay, Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines [to be confirmed]

H.E. Mr Plodprasop Suraswadi, Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of the Water and Flood Management Commission of Thailand, Thailand [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Sok An, Deputy Prime Minister of Cambodia [to be confirmed]

Ms Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, President of the African Union [to be confirmed]

H.R.H. Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan, Chairman, United Nations Secretary General's Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation [confirmed]

H.R.H. Prince Khaled bin Sultan bin Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia, Chairman, Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water [confirmed]

Mr Benedito Braga, President of the World Water Council [confirmed]

Opening plenary session

Chair: **Ms Klára Breuer**, Head of Cabinet of Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hungary [confirmed]

H.E. Baroness Catherine Ashton, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs & Security Policy, Vice-President of the European Commission [confirmed]

Mr Lamberto Zannier, Secretary General, OSCE [confirmed]

H. E. Mr Sándor Fazekas, Minister of Rural Development, Hungary [confirmed]

Mr José Graziano da Silva, Director General of FAO [confirmed]

Ms Irina Bokova, Director General of UNESCO [confirmed]

Ms Margaret Chan, Director General of WHO [confirmed]

Mr Michel Jarraud, Secretary General of WMO [confirmed]

Mr Li Yong, Director General of UNIDO [to be confirmed]

Mr Joan Clos, Executive Director of UN-HABITAT [confirmed]

Mr Kandeh K. Yumkella, Special Representative of the Secretary-General & CEO – Sustainable Energy for All Initiative, Chair UN-Energy [confirmed]

Mr Mahmoud Mohieldin, Special Envoy of the President for the Post-2015 Agenda, The World Bank Group [confirmed]

Mr Jonathan Taylor, Vice-President, Environment and Climate Action, European Investment Bank [confirmed]

Cultural programme

For the participants of the opening ceremony

9 October, Morning

Session 1: Striving for universal access to water and sanitation

Chair:

Mr Bai Mass Taal, Executive Secretary of the African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW) [confirmed]

Rapporteur:

Mr Themba Gumbo, Director of Cap-Net, Zimbabwe [confirmed]

Keynote speech 1: How are we doing it?

H.E. Ms Cai Qihua, Vice-Minister of Water Resources, China [confirmed]

Keynote speech 2: The Asian perspective towards the WASH SDGs: time frame and context

Mr Ravi Narayanan, Vice Chair of Asia-Pacific Water Forum [confirmed]

Keynote speech 3: State of affairs globally, the context, the outlook

Ms Margaret Chan, Director General of WHO [confirmed]

High-level panel discussion: How to WASH?

Moderator:

Mr Jamie Bartram, Professor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA [confirmed]

Panel members:

H.E. Ms Bomo Edna Edith Molewa, Minister of Water and Environment, South Africa [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister of Environment and Water Resources, Singapore [to be confirmed]

H.E. Mr Djoko Kirmanto, Minister of Public Works, Indonesia [confirmed]

Ms Katariina Poskiparta, Secretary of State, Ministry of Environment, Finland [to be confirmed]

Mr David Korenfeld Federman, President of the National Water Commission, Mexico [confirmed]

Mr Martin Mogwanja, Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF [confirmed]

Ms Catarina de Albuquerque, UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Right to Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation, Portugal [confirmed]

Mr Gérard Payen, Member of UNSGAB, President of AquaFed [confirmed]

9 October, Afternoon

Session 2: Integrated water resources management for the 21st century

Chair:

H.E. Mr Fahad bin Mohammed Al-Attiya, Executive Chairman of Qatar National Food Security Programme, Qatar [confirmed]

Rapporteur:

Mr Johan Kuylenstierna, Executive Director of the Stockholm Environment Institute, Sweden [confirmed]

Keynote speech 1: Global cycles and water

Mr Charles Vörösmarty, Professor, City University of New York, USA [confirmed]

Keynote speech 2: Future water scenarios

Mr Pavel Kabat, Director of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Austria [confirmed]

Keynote speech 3: Towards a water disaster risk reduction SDG

Mr Kuniyoshi Takeuchi, Director of the International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM), Japan [confirmed]

High-level panel discussion: How to serve a growing population with water in a changing climate?

Moderator:

Mr János Bogárdi, Professor, University of Bonn, Germany [confirmed]

Panel members:

H.E. Ms Ida Margrete Meier Aukén, Minister for the Environment, Denmark [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Veysel Eroğlu, Minister of Forestry and Water, Turkey [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Peter Žiga, Minister of Environment, Slovak Republic [to be confirmed]

Mr Thomas P. Bostick, Chief of Engineers of the United States Army and Commanding General of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, USA [confirmed]

Mr Michel Jarraud, Secretary General of WMO [confirmed]

Mr Apichart Anukularmphai, President of the Thailand Water Resources Association, Thailand [confirmed]

Mr Benedito Braga, President of the World Water Council [confirmed]

Mr László Somlyódy, Professor, full member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary [confirmed]

Special evening session: High-Level Water – Energy – Food Nexus Evening Panel

Moderator:

Mr Fritz Holzwarth, Deputy Director-General of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Germany [confirmed]

Rapporteur:

Mr Dipak Gyawali, Former Minister of Water Resources, Nepal [confirmed]

Panel members:

H.E. Mr Alemayehu Tegen, Minister of Water and Energy, Ethiopia [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Barthélémy Kassa, Minister of Energy, Oil and Mining, Water and Development of Renewable Energies, Republic Benin [confirmed]

H.E. Mr Mohammed Ibrahim Al-Saud, Deputy Minister for Water Affairs, Ministry of Water and Electricity, Saudi Arabia [confirmed]

H.E. Ms Kitty van der Heijden, Ambassador for Sustainable Development, Environment, Water, Climate and Energy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands [confirmed]

Mr Mohamed Ait-Kadi, Chair of the TEC, Global Water Partnership [confirmed]

Mr Roberto Lenton, Director of the Robert B. Daugherty Water for Food Institute, University of Nebraska, USA [confirmed]

Mr Avinash Tyagi, Secretary General of ICID [confirmed]

Mr Chandra Madramootoo, Professor, McGill University, Canada [confirmed]

Evening: Save water, drink wine! – wine tasting

10 October, Morning

Session 3: Good water governance

Chair:

Mr Uri Shamir, Professor, Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, Israel [confirmed]

Rapporteur:

Ms Joyeeta Gupta, Professor, Universiteit Amsterdam, the Netherlands [confirmed]

Keynote speech 1: [to be defined]

H.E. Mr Pascal Canfin, Minister Delegate for Development, attached to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, France [to be confirmed]

Keynote speech 2: Water education and training in Africa

Mr Paul Giniés, Director General of the International Institute for Water and Environmental Engineering, Burkina Faso [confirmed]

Keynote speech 3: [to be defined]

H.E. Ms Sanjaasuren Oyun, Minister for Nature, Environment and Green Development, Mongolia [confirmed]

High-level panel discussion: How to govern water wisely with SMART SDGs?

Moderator:

Ms Aziza Akmouch, Head of the OECD Water Governance Programme [confirmed]

Panel members:

H.E. Mr Mohamed Abdul Muttalib, Minister of Water and Irrigation, Chair of AMCOW, Egypt [to be confirmed]

H.E. Ms Judy Wakhungu, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Natural Resources and Water, Republic of Kenya [to be confirmed]

Ms Ursula Schaefer-Preuss, Chair of GWP [confirmed]

Mr Loic Fauchon, Former President of the World Water Council; President of the Société des Eaux de Marseille, France [confirmed]

Ms Márta Szigeti Bonifert, Chair of the Management Board of the Environment and Security Initiative [confirmed]

Mr Ivan Zavadsky, Executive Secretary of the International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR) [confirmed]

Ms Sibylle Vermont, head negotiator of the Swiss Federal Office for the Environment for international environmental policy on water, Switzerland [confirmed]

Mr Robert Varady, Deputy Director of the Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, University of Arizona, USA [confirmed]

Ms Asma El Kasm, UNESCO Chair Holder for “Water, Women and Decision Power”; Former Director of the Abu Dhabi Arab Water Academy; Morocco [confirmed]

Ms Uta Wehn de Montalvo, Professor, UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education [confirmed]

10 October, Afternoon

Session 4: Green economy for blue water

Chair:

H.E. Mr Nguyen Thai Lai, Deputy Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment, Vietnam [confirmed]

Rapporteur:

Mr Thomas Chiramba, Head of Division of Environment Policy Implementation, UNEP [confirmed]

Keynote speech 1: [to be defined]

H.E. Mr Sulton Rahimov, First Deputy Minister of Melioration and Water, Tajikistan [confirmed]

Keynote speech 2: [to be defined]

Ms Lisa Emelia Svensson, Ambassador for Oceans, Seas and Fresh Water, Ministry of the Environment, Sweden [confirmed]

Keynote speech 3: [to be defined]

Ms Helen Mountford, Deputy Director of the Environment Directorate, OECD [confirmed]

High-level panel discussion: What is this green stuff?

Moderator:

Mr Jerome Delli Priscoli, Senior Advisor, US Army Corps of Engineers, USA [confirmed]

Panel members:

H.E. Mr Ephraim Kamuntu, Minister of Water and Environment, Uganda [confirmed]

H.E. Ms Eun-Kyung Park, Ambassador, Republic of Korea [confirmed]

Mr Vicente Andreu Guillo, Director-President, National Water Agency, Brazil [confirmed]

Ms Julia Marton-Lefèvre, Director General, IUCN [confirmed]

Mr Brice Lalonde, Special Advisor on Sustainable Development to the UN Global Compact [confirmed]

Mr Doğan Altınbilek, President of the International Water Resources Association [confirmed]

Mr Philippe Guitard, Executive Vice President in charge of Europe Veolia [confirmed]

Philanthropy Roundtable after the Plenary Session

11 October, Morning

Session 5: Investment in and financing to address the global water and sanitation crisis and related SDGs

Chair:

Ms Naoko Ishii, CEO and Chairperson of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) [confirmed]

Rapporteur:

Mr Torgny Holmgren, Executive Director of Stockholm International Water Institute [confirmed]

Keynote speech 1: [to be defined]

Ms Lakshmi Venkatachalam, Vice-President, Private Sector and Cofinancing Operations of the Asian Development Bank [confirmed]

Keynote speech 2: [to be defined]

Ms Julia Bucknall, Sector Manager, The World Bank [confirmed]

Keynote speech 3: [to be defined]

H.E. Mr Nurlan Kapparov, Minister of Environment Protection, Republic of Kazakhstan [to be confirmed]

High-level panel discussion: Does money matter?

Moderator:

Ms Monica Scatasta, Head of the Water & Waste Management Division, European Investment Bank [confirmed]

Panel members:

H.E. Ms Sarah Reng Ochekpe, Minister of Water Resources, Nigeria [confirmed]

Ms Naina Lal Kidwai, Country head, HSBC India; Director, Asia Pacific HSBC, President of the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Chairperson of the FICCI Water Mission [confirmed]

Mr Richard Seeber, Member of the European Parliament, Austria [confirmed]

Ms Margaret Batty, Director of Policy and Campaigns, WaterAid [confirmed]

Mr Sering Jallow, Director, Water and Sanitation Department, African Development Bank [confirmed]

Ms Lin O'Grady, Deputy Director Municipal & Environmental Infrastructure, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development [confirmed]

Mr Herbert Oberhänsli, Vice President, Nestlé S.A., Switzerland [confirmed]

Mr Edward D. Breslin, Chief Executive Officer, Water for People [to be confirmed]

Mr Kadri Ozen, Group Public Affairs Director, Coca-Cola Eurasia and Africa Group; Coca Cola Steering Committee member, UNDP-Coca Cola Every Drop Matters partnership, Turkey [confirmed]

11 October, Afternoon

Closing Plenary

Reporting the outcomes of the Budapest Water Summit sessions and the stakeholder Forums.

Rapporteurs of the 5 Summit sessions and Chairs of the 5 Stakeholder Forums report to the Plenary. Synthesis, conclusions and adoption by consensus of the Budapest Statement for the water SDGs.

Closing ceremony

Speakers:

H.E. Ms Lilianne Ploumen, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation, The Netherlands [to be confirmed]

Mr Yves Rossier, State Secretary and head of the Directorate of Political Affairs, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland [to be confirmed]

Mr Achim Steiner, Executive Director, UNEP [confirmed]

Mr James P. Leape, Director General, WWF's International Secretariat [confirmed]

Closing remarks

H.E. Mr János Martonyi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hungary, Chairman of the Budapest Water Summit [confirmed]

Evening: Press Conference

SCIENCE FORUM

Why science?

Water represents complex, interdisciplinary quantity, quality and ecosystem related problems on various time and space scales. Making appropriate policy decisions not only requires up-to-date scientific information, but also systemic views and solutions – an approach widely employed in the scientific community. Along the development and selection of sensible indicators require the identification of relevant subsystems and their characterisation from the perspectives of resources, environment, economics, financing, society, institutions, infrastructure and others.

Sustainability cannot be interpreted without prognosticating the future which – in a broad sense – is subject to all kinds of changes, uncertainties and crises. Changes take place in demography, globalization, climate, societies, culture, etc. in different continents and regions of the Globe and eventually in the Earth system as a whole. These examples only demonstrate that more science is needed not only for the better understanding of our natural environment, but more science is need for action. The Science Forum of the Budapest Water Summit aims to represent a first step in this direction.

Objectives of the Science Forum

The main objective of the Science Forum is to examine the five thematic areas identified for the Summit from a scientific point of view and to consider and propose a set of clearly defined SMART indicators and/or indices to measure progress in time and space in implementing a water Sustainable Development Goal along with incorporating water and sanitation issues into other crosscutting SDGs.

To that end the Science Forum will analyse the details and different aspects of sustainability via a number of water-related issues such as supply and demand, water quality, health and ecosystem services, groundwater, energy, agriculture and industry, flood control, natural disasters and others. The recommendations of the Science Forum, formulated as a policy framework, will be presented at the closing plenary of the Summit and incorporated into the Budapest Statement.

Programme structure

The Science Forum will hold its sessions on 9–11 October. The sessions of Science Forum will mirror the issues and structure of the Summit plenary. The Forum essentially applies an interdisciplinary, systems science approach including approaches of natural, environmental and engineering sciences along with those of economic, social and political sciences. Each session will be composed of a number of key note speeches and panel discussions. They cover a broad range of topics which can be considered as case studies to analyse how to meet SDGs and what can be the major threats jeopardising success.

Chairs, speakers, rapporteurs and moderators are internationally well-known, leading scientists and professionals.

CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

Reaping the benefits of an inclusive process

Probably more than any other field of international co-operation, sustainable development discussions have, from the outset, been based on multi-stakeholder interaction. Civil society has contributed to the agenda and the outcomes of the milestone conferences on sustainability (UN CED, WSSD, UNCSD) through the involvement of representatives of major groups such as environmental non-governmental organisations, human rights pressure groups and non-profit think-tanks. Public participation in environmental decision-making is facilitated by ground-breaking regional instruments such as the Aarhus Convention under the UNECE.

It is only natural that the process of unfolding the water and sanitation-related aspects of the elaboration of Sustainable Development Goals builds on this tradition. The Budapest Water Summit therefore invites civil society from around the Globe to express their views on the five issues on the agenda of the Summit to ensure that a water and sanitation-related SDG will be formulated in a bottom up and inclusive process.

Objectives of the Civil Society Forum

The Civil Society Forum will be representative in professional, thematic and geopolitical terms. Every effort will be made to ensure wide enough participation, and thus a chance to collect reflections on all five session themes from an environmental, social and economic viewpoint, and from different parts of the world.

The Civil Society Forum will offer written contributions to the themes of the sessions of the Summit in a timely fashion, allowing for the consideration of these in the Budapest Statement as well as will present a summary of the interventions at the closing plenary.

Structure of the Forum

The Civil Society Forum holds its sessions on 9-10 October. The sessions will reflect the five issues discussed by the Plenary; the Forum has a civil ownership. Experienced and respected civil organisations were invited to take up facilitating, moderating and reporting roles at each of the five sessions. The programme of the Civil Society Forum runs parallel to the Summit plenary sessions and the other Forums, so that stakeholder groups have the opportunity to share and discuss with each other.

The structure of the five thematic discussions:

- Three introductory interventions – environmental, social, and economic challenges of the issue,
- Questions and answers, comments from the floor,
- Moderated group discussions on the draft Statement,
- Reporting back and formulation of stakeholder group input.



YOUTH FORUM

Young people are stakeholders who play a leading role as social change-makers. They share the responsibility and the need with all other stakeholders to combat the global water crisis now. This accelerating crisis impacts all, thus youth leaders feel bound to create and implement new solutions to ensure universal access to safe water and sanitation and to preserve water resources for the future. As the benefits and the burdens of today's decisions will mostly be borne by the younger generation it is imperative to ensure appropriate youth representation in all stages of international decision-making. Therefore, the Budapest Water Summit will bring together young professionals and water activists from all over the world who are and who would like to be actively involved in shaping the water debate, with a view to bringing new perspectives and unique strengths into the global Sustainable Development Agenda dialogue.

Objectives and set up

The Youth Forum aims to provide a space for future decision-makers to develop, collect and exchange ideas and opinions during the Budapest Water Summit as well as to engage in the longer-term process involved in outlining the Budapest Statement. The sessions that will be held at the Forum will serve as a link between young people and the 'older generation' to enhance capacity building in the water and sanitation sector. The Youth Forum will also aim to connect young people from various organisations and share the outcomes of youth consultations among participants. Through these networking opportunities the objective is to foster future international cooperation and youth empowerment that continues after the close of the sessions in Budapest.

The Youth Forum will involve representatives from various relevant professions, organisations and sub-sectors, and will strive for a balance of participants based on geographical region and gender. In line with the spirit of free initiative and grass-root engagement the Youth Forum is being organised in a dynamic, transparent, bottom-up fashion. To maximise the impact of the Forum, well-established and experienced youth organisations, especially those that have been involved in the post-2015 agenda dialogue, have been invited to co-organise different sessions and work as facilitators, moderators and rapporteurs.

The Forum sessions will be set up and run to maximise participation in the dialogue by using innovative approaches and techniques (IT, social media). Each session will be developed and conducted by an international youth organisation (the lead organisation), whose work will be supported by other organisations focusing on youth participation and environment.

The Youth Forum will hold its sessions on 9–10 October, focussing on the five key issues of the Summit plenary sessions. To include as many young people, organisations and ideas as possible, those who are not present in Budapest can contribute by joining an on-line negotiation process.



PHILANTHROPY ROUNDTABLE

The Philanthropy Roundtable will be a special evening session of the Budapest Water Summit starting at 18:00 on 10 October 2013. The moderator of the Roundtable will be Professor László Pintér from the Central European University (CEU).

Objective of the Roundtable

For several years there have been increasing efforts supported by private philanthropy to tackle the most pressing challenges of water and sanitation. Private philanthropy has an important role in the water, sanitation and hygiene fields providing significant amounts to meet the desired goals. As the outcome document of the Rio+20 Conference, entitled "The Future We Want" states, the global crisis calls for cooperated efforts of governments, civil society, the business community and philanthropy. "...We underscore that sustainable development requires concrete and urgent action. It can only be achieved with a broad alliance of people, governments, civil society and the private sector, all working together to secure the future we want for present and future generations."(para 13)

The Roundtable will explore „The role of private philanthropy in the implementation of the water-related sustainable development goals”, why philanthropy is different from other financial sources and how different sectors can cooperate in order to make efforts more effective. The Roundtable will discuss how to support innovation, the sharing of information and best practices through examples of the programmes of the participating organisations. The aim is that the Roundtable will result in increasing knowledge about the opportunities of collaboration to move forward the water and sanitation-related sustainable development agenda.

BUSINESS LEADERS FORUM AND WATER AND SANITATION EXPO

Water is a transversal environmental resource that affects several aspects of human, natural and economic life. Driven by ethical considerations as well as sheer economic rationale, the business community has, in the past decades, become more and more active in generating individual and collective responses addressing the global water and sanitation issues.

Why the business view matters

Sustainable demand side management and the security of supply have become major challenges not only for the most water-intense industries (food, energy, chemicals) but also for less exposed economic activities. Adaptation to the water-related challenges generated by the unstoppable wave of urbanisation and the effects of climate change is now a major issue for long-term business planning, thus the Summit cannot succeed without the integration of the broader business view on all relevant policy considerations shaping the future water SDG.

Invitations are extended to selected leading companies worldwide acting in the water and sanitation business, such as manufacturers, project developers, consulting companies, engineering companies as well as regional industrial organisations, research and development institutes, international development banks and financial institutions. One executive participant is welcome per company. Participation is free of charge; participants, however, are responsible for covering their own travelling and living costs during their stay in Budapest.

The Business Leaders Forum serves multiple objectives.

First, senior managers from all interested industries are provided with the opportunity to discuss and adopt broad policy recommendations that can be integrated into the Budapest Statement on Water and Sanitation. Needless to say, the business contribution is, as a priority, expected to highlight the technological, financial, governance and capacity aspects of a water-related SDG.

Second, the Business Leaders Forum creates an interface for business leaders to meet international, national and local policy-makers, development banks and agencies, leading scientists, philanthropists and NGOs. Thematic sessions and round-table discussions on best practices, success and failure stories will be held to help draw policy and practical conclusions for all parties.

Water and Sanitation Expo

The Water and Sanitation Expo will be organised at the conference venue. The Expo will focus on clean, innovative and affordable solutions in the field of water and sanitation, clustered into the following areas: R&D and capacity building, manufacturing, construction, utility services management, consulting, international associations. The limited space for exhibition is an excellent opportunity for image building as well as bilateral and multilateral negotiations with potential business parties and stakeholders. An appropriate balance among the various industries and regions will be ensured. The Expo space of the venue accommodates approximately 60 standard exhibition stands.

Exhibitors of the Water and Sanitation Expo may:

- Rent a tailor-made exhibition stand (min. 12 m²) for a very competitive price (370 EUR/m²).
- Present your company on the morning of 11 October in a 10-15 minute time slot for a minimum price of 100 EUR.



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