OUTCOMES OF THE 7TH WORLD WATER FORUM

World Water Council
WORLD WATER COUNCIL: THREE PILLARS TO MAKE WATER SECURITY A REALITY FOR ALL

- Raise political awareness
- MOBILIZE ACTION
- Identify and explore critical water issues
- CHALLENGE THINKING
- Provide a platform for the water community
- ENGAGE DEBATE
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A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL FORUM

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- over 40,000 entries
- 168 countries
- 9 heads of State
- 78 government ministers
- 100 official national governments delegations
- 400 sessions
- more than 900 journalists from all five continents
MOBILIZE ACTION
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Identifying key issues

- scaling up multi stakeholder cooperation on all levels
- inclusion of one dedicated water goal in the Post 2015 development agenda
- incorporation of water as a central component of adaptation during CoP21 negotiations

Mobilizing through the Forum processes

- Ministerial Declaration
- Parliamentarian statement
- Daegu-Gyeongbuk Water Action for Sustainable Cities and Regions (Local and Regional Authorities)
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MOBILIZE ACTION

Agreements

- trilateral agreement between China, Japan and Korea for water policy innovation
- historic agreement between United States and Mexico (Colorado River)

Ongoing dialogue

- Bilateral meetings between World Water Council and leading representatives from Denmark, Monaco, Portugal, China, South Africa, Hungary
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MOBILIZE ACTION

➢ Daegu-Gyeongbuk Implementation Commitment (DGIC)

All parties involved commit to ensure that 16 Implementation Roadmaps (IRs) are met through an agenda for action for the next 3 years and the Action Monitoring System.

Outcomes of the 6th World Water Forum served to build the IRs

IRs emanating from the 7th Forum will evolve over the next three years on the way to the 8th Forum

Marseille
March 2012

Daegu Gyeongbuk
April 2015

Brasilia
March 2018
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CHALLENGE THINKING

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7th World Water Forum’s 16 thematic areas

- Enough Safe Water for All
- Integrated Sanitation for All
- Adapting to Change: Managing Risk and Uncertainty for Resilience and Disaster Preparedness
- Infrastructure for Sustainable Water Resource Management and Services
- Water for Food
- Water and Energy
- Water and Cities
- Green Growth, Water Stewardship and Industry
- Managing and Restoring Ecosystems for Water Services and Biodiversity
- Ensuring Water Quality from Ridge to Reef
- SMART Implementation of IWRM
- Economics and Financing for Innovative Investments
- Effective Governance: Enhanced Political Decisions, Stakeholder Participation and Technical Information
- Cooperation for Reducing Conflict and Improving Transboundary Water Management
- Water Cultures, Justice and Equity
- Enhancing Education and Capacity Building
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CHALLENGE THINKING

World Water Council focus

- Infrastructure Financing for a Water-Secure World
- Water and Green Growth
- Water and Food Security
- Integrated Water Resources Management
Infrastructure Financing for a Water-Secure World (High level panel)

- call for global action by World Water Council and OECD on financing water infrastructure to ensure water security
- explored the necessary financial resources
Special Launching Event, Water and Green Growth (High level panel)

• World Water Council and K-water announced ‘Water and Green Growth: a new path to sustainability’
• Green Growth has emerged as a new development paradigm for job creation and economic and social development through green and clean technologies
Towards a water and food secure future
(High level panel)

FAO and World Water Council called for government policies and investments by the public and private sectors to ensure that crops, livestock and fish are sustainably produced in ways also aimed at safeguarding water resources.
Integrated Water Resource Management (High level panel)

ENGAGE DEBATE

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Regional involvement

➢ Strong involvement in the thematic debate from all five regions: Africa, the Americas, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Oceania

➢ and three cross-regions: Arab, Mediterranean, Economically water insecure
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Citizens’ involvement

- 1 Citizen’s Forum and exhibitions
- Successful Youth and women pre-conferences
- 1 Childrens’ Forum
- 4 sessions with direct/ concrete involvement of indigenous peoples discussing indigenous issues
ENGAGE DEBATE

- 37 events on the World Water Council Pavilion
  - WWC Member events
  - Live transmissions
  - Social gatherings
- 1,252 press articles
- Thousands of visitors and 1,000 wishes
Forum Outcomes

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Videos and photos

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