WORKSHOP AGENDA

Stakeholder Engagement for Effective Water Governance

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OECD Conference Centre – Room CC4, Paris, France

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Background

The OECD project on Stakeholder Engagement for Effective Water Governance aims to provide evidence-based analysis on the effectiveness of stakeholder engagement processes, as well as a set of key principles and a Checklist for public action for governments to set up appropriate framework conditions. The project is an undertaking of the Working Group n°1 of the OECD Water Governance Initiative. It relies on an extensive survey across 200+ stakeholders (carried out online from 1 April to 16 June 2014) and 50+ case studies from OECD and non-OECD countries. It will conclude with the publication of a report at the 7th World Water Forum (Korea, April 2015).

Objective

The Workshop is a key milestone in the OECD project with the following objectives:

- Discuss the key findings and recommendations from the draft report with a wide range of stakeholders from the public, private and not-for-profit sectors;
- Learn from international best practice to engage stakeholders in water projects and policies;
- Discuss the draft Principles and devise a Checklist for Public Action;

The outcomes of the Workshop will feed the revised report to be peer-reviewed on 24-25 November 2014 at the 4th Meeting of the OECD Water Governance Initiative at OECD Headquarters, Paris.

Format

The event will be interactive, consisting of lively discussions in plenary and breakout group settings. Participants include representatives from national governments, regional, basin and local authorities, public and private service providers, business, regulators, donors and international financial institutions, NGOs, international organisations, academics and independent experts.

The Workshop will start with a presentation of key highlights from the draft report circulated to participants prior to the event, and an open discussion with participants to collect feedback and comments. The following two sessions will discuss best practices on engagement processes in water projects and policies to shed light on lessons learnt and success factors. The last session will discuss the draft Principles and Indicators suggested in the report, and explore practical steps and guidelines to set-up the framework conditions for successful engagement of stakeholders.

To attend, kindly register online at:
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Agenda

9:00 – 9:30  Registration & Welcoming Coffee

9:30 – 11:15  Key messages & recommendations on stakeholder engagement
  • Presentation of findings of the draft report
  • Discussion and comments from participants

11:15 – 11:45  Coffee break

11:45 – 13:15  Principles & indicators for effective stakeholder engagement
  • Presentation of the draft Principles from the report
  • Experience sharing on indicators
  • Small group discussions to develop the Checklist

13:15 – 14:30  Lunch buffet

14:30 – 16:00  Highlights & lessons from outside the “water box”
  Presentation of OECD evidence on
  • Stakeholder engagement in regulatory policy
  • Stakeholder engagement in public sector innovation
  • Stakeholder engagement in education policy
  Discussion with participants and lessons for the project

16:00 – 16:15  Coffee break

16:15 – 17:15  On the road to the 7th World Water Forum (Korea, April 2015)
  • A session on stakeholder engagement at the Forum
  • Success stories to be showcased
  • How to get there

17:15 – 17:30  Conclusion and next steps

Contact

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