7th Meeting of the OECD Water Governance Initiative

AGENDA

23-24 June 2016

Hotel NH Den Haag (E-Toren Room)
Prinses Margrietplantsoen 100
The Hague, Netherlands
About the OECD Water Governance Initiative

The OECD Water Governance Initiative (WGI) is an international multi-stakeholder network of 100+ delegates from public, private and not-for-profit sectors gathering twice a year in a Policy Forum to share experience on reforms, projects, lessons and good practices in support of better governance in the water sector.

The WGI, which was created in March 2013, has the following objectives over 2016-2018:

- Provide a multi-stakeholder technical platform to share knowledge, experience and best practices on water governance across levels of government;
- Advise governments in taking the needed steps for effective water reforms through peer-to-peer dialogue and stakeholder engagement across public, private and non-profit sectors;
- Provide a consultation mechanism to raise the profile of governance in the Global Water Agenda;
- Support the implementation of the OECD Principles on Water Governance in interested member and non-member countries by scaling up best practices and contributing to the development of indicators; and
- Foster continuity on governance between two World Water Forums through supporting the Governance Implementation Roadmap of the 7th World Water Forum (Korea, 2015) up to the 8th Forum (Brazil, 2018).

Objectives of the 7th WGI Meeting

- Update WGI members (WGI new membership, structure, working groups, outreach & consultations)
- Discuss the implementation of the OECD Principles on Water Governance
- Carry out bottom-up consultations on water governance indicators and best practices
- Discuss WGI contribution to the Global Agenda, especially SDGs, Habitat III, COP 22 & World Water Forum
- Peer-review analytical work on flood risk governance
- Share knowledge and experience on water governance, reforms, research and events

Previous meetings of the WGI

- 3rd Meeting: 28-29 April 2014 – Madrid.

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8:30 – 9:00  Registration and Coffee networking (Washington Lounge)

9:00 – 9:30  Welcoming Remarks
- Peter Glas, Chair of WGI (10’)
- Roald Lapperre, Deputy DG for Spatial Development and Water Affairs, Netherlands (10’)
- Joaquim Oliveira Martins, Head, Regional Development Policy Division, OECD (10’)

9:30 – 9:45  Update on WGI 2016-2018 Strategy and Activities
- WGI renewed membership
- WGI structure & working groups
- WGI consultations on the OECD Council Recommendations on Water & Public Sector Integrity
- WGI dissemination & outreach

9:45 – 11:00  Raising the Profile of Water Governance in the Global Agenda
- Habitat III Process (7-8’)
- Climate Change (10-12’):
  - COP 21 Paris Declaration & the Basins Pact: Eric Tardieu, OIEAU

Group discussion (45’): How to raise the profile of water in the Urban and Climate Agendas?

11:00 – 11:30  Coffee Break (Washington Lounge)

11:30 – 12:40  Fostering the Implementation of Water-related Goals in the 2030 Agenda
- An OECD Action Plan for Sustainable Development Goals: Aziza Akhmouch, OECD (5-6’)
- High-Level Panel on Water & Global Water Architecture: Kim Moolenaar, Netherlands (5-6’)
- On the road to the 8th World Water Forum (2018): Jean Lapegue, WWC & Aline Matta, Brazil (7-8’)

Group discussion (35’):
- How are WGI members currently involved in the 2030 Agenda?
- Which global mechanism(s) for supporting water-related goals?
- What are the main local and national initiatives to foster implementation of water-related SDGs?

12:40 – 13:30  Sharing key messages on water governance from recent and forthcoming events (3’ each)
Recent events
- STAR-FLOOD Conference, 4-6 February 2016, Brussels, Belgium
- 3rd ICPDR Ministerial Meeting, 9 February 2016, Vienna, Austria
- Water Economic Forum, 8 April 2016, Madrid, Spain
- Adaptation Futures 2016, 10-13 May 2016, Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 10th INBO International General Assembly, 1-4 June 2016, Merida, Mexico
- NARBO IWRM Training, 14-16 June 2016, Bangkok, Thailand

Forthcoming
- 2016 World Water Week, 28 August – 2 September 2016, Stockholm, Sweden
- Budapest Water Summit, 28-30 November 2016, Budapest, Hungary
- 3rd International Water Regulators Forum, 10 October 2016, Brisbane, Australia
- XVIth IWRA World Water Congress, 29 May – 2 June 2017, Cancun, Mexico

13:30 – 14:30  Buffet Lunch (Hotel NH Den Haag Restaurant, 1st floor)
### Sharing knowledge on water governance research, reforms, projects, publications (5’ each)

- **Building Blocks for Good Water Governance, 2nd Edition:** Herman Havekes, Netherlands
- **Social sustainability in the urban water sector:** Gari Villa-Landa Sokolova, AEAS, Spain
- **Applying Water Governance to Humanitarian Projects:** Jean Lapegue, Action against Hunger
- **Drinking Water and Sanitation: at which price?** François Guerber, France
- **Strategic Planning for Alpine River Ecosystems (SPARE) Project:** Nils Ferrand, IRSTEA
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Others, Q&A (45’)

### Peer-review: Applying the OECD Principles on Water Governance to the Case of Floods

- Flood Risk Governance: A Shared Responsibility
  - Presentation of the draft report, Emeline Hassenforder, OECD (15’)
  - Group discussion (40’)
- Assessing the Dutch Flood Risk and Delta Programmes
  - Presentation of the project, Chris Seijger, Deltares & Stijn Brouwer, KWR (10-12’)
  - Q&A (10’)

### Presentation of a Prize from the International River Foundation

- The Segura River Rehabilitation Project, Miguel Angel Ródenas Cañada, Spain

### Coffee Break (Washington Lounge)

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