

8th Meeting of the OECD Water Governance Initiative

AGENDA

12-13 January 2017
Headquarters of the Delegated Ministry for Water
Rue Hassan Benchekroun
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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 (Brasilia, 2018).

Objectives of the 8th WGI Meeting

- **Update WGI members** (renewal of the Chair, Steering Committee, outreach & consultations)
- Update and consult WGI members on progress from the **indicators** and **best practices** working groups
- Discuss WGI contribution to the **Global Agenda**, especially Habitat III, COP 22 & World Water Forum
- **Share knowledge and experience** on water governance, reforms, research and events

Previous meetings of the WGI

- [7th Meeting](#) : 23-24 June 2016 - The Hague
- [6th Meeting](#) : 2-3 November 2015 – Paris.
- [5th Meeting](#) : 26 May 2015 – Edinburgh.
- [4th Meeting](#) : 24-25 November 2014 – Paris.
- [3rd Meeting](#) : 28-29 April 2014 – Madrid.
- [2nd Meeting](#) : 7-8 November 2013 – Paris.
- [1st Meeting](#) : 27-28 March 2013 – Paris.

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Thursday 12 January 2017
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9:00 – 9:30

Welcoming Remarks

- Mr. Abdeslam Ziyad, Water Director, Morocco
- Mr. Joaquim Oliveira Martins, Head of Regional Development Policy, OECD

9:30 – 10:00

Update by the Secretariat on recent WGI activities

- WGI Working Groups' Activities (July-December 2016)
- OECD Working Paper on flood risk governance
- Water International journal special issue on governance
- WWC Taskforce on IWRM

10:00 – 11:30

Raising the profile of water governance in the Global Agenda

Delegates will discuss how the WGI can contribute to recent international water developments. Short introductions from the lead institutions (5-6' each) will set the scene for group discussion.

- Water in the New Urban Agenda, Habitat III Conference (Quito, 17-20 October 2016), Joaquim Oliveira-Martin, Regional Development Policy Division, OECD
- Conclusions of the Budapest Water Summit (Budapest, 28-30 November 2016), H.E. Mr Miklós Tromler, Ambassador of Hungary to Morocco
- Preparatory process of the 8th World Water Forum (Brasilia, March 2018), Danielle Gaillard-Picher, World Water Council & Aline Machado da Matta, National Water Agency, Brazil
- Key outcomes and ways forward of the Water Action Day, COP 22 (Marrakech, 7-18 November 2016), Safaa Bahije, Delegated Ministry for Water, Morocco

Group discussion (1h10)

11:30 - 12:00

Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:00

Sharing key messages on water governance from recent global events

Delegates will share the outcomes from water events they have either attended or organised since the 7th WGI meeting. The objective is to coordinate initiatives among WGI members, to join forces in terms of advocacy and outreach, and to foster collaborative action. The session will feature short presentations (5-6 min) from each lead institution and leave room for Q&A and/or debate.

- 26th Stockholm World Water Week, 28 Aug - 2 Sept 2016, Stockholm, Sweden
- 3rd International Water Regulators Forum, 10 October 2016, Brisbane, Australia
- EURO-INBO 2016 Conference, 19-22 October 2016, Lourdes, France
- Korea International Water Week, 19-22 October 2016, Daegu, Korea
- Water Economics Forum, 24 November 2016, Madrid, Spain
- WAREG Assembly, 6 December 2016, Tallinn, Estonia

13:00 – 14:30

Buffet Lunch (on site)

14:30- 16:30

Multi-stakeholder consultation on the draft water governance indicators

WGI activities over 2016-2018 include the development of indicators to be used by governments and stakeholders as a tool for dialogue and self-assessment vis-à-vis the OECD Principles on Water Governance. Following a bottom-up process, the working group on indicators has produced a zero draft to measure framework conditions (level 1) and progress over time (level 2), which was shared for discussion at the meeting.

- Rationale, process and content of the Proposal, OECD Secretariat (20 min)
- Group discussion (1h10)
- Comments from the Working Group coordinators & next steps (30 min)

16:30 – 17:00

Coffee Break

17:00 - 18:00	<p>Towards a WGI database on water governance practices</p> <p>A core WGI activity over 2016-2018 is to collect, peer-review and scale up practices related to the OECD Principles on Water Governance, within an online database to be launched at the 8th World Water Forum. The session will discuss the results of the activities carried out to i) scope expectations of stakeholders; ii) take stock of existing databases; and iii) pilot-test the draft template, based on the document prepared for discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the rationale, process and content of the database (15 min) • Group discussion (20 min) • Lessons from WGI members' databases: GWP, IWA, WIN and NARBO • Concluding comment from Working Group coordinators
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18:00 – 19:30 Cocktail

Friday 13 January 2017
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9:00 – 10:15	<p>Water Governance in Morocco</p> <p>The session will discuss the reform of the legal and policy framework and the use of economic instruments for water management in Morocco. Delegates will share their experience and best practice in these areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting the scene presentation by Moroccan officials • Policy questions for WGI delegates • Group discussion
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10:15 – 10:45	<p>Sharing knowledge on water governance policy reforms, projects, publications</p> <p>Delegates will provide a 2-min “pitch” in plenary on the content of their projects as a teaser and will then break into small groups to know more and discuss further.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compelling “pitches” (2 min each): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CASTWATER project, Antonio Martinez Nieto, Spain ▪ 20th barometer of tap water use in France, Tristan Mathieu, FP2E ▪ The PPP management model of water services in Spain, Gari Villa-Landa Sokolova, AEAS ▪ Governance at the 2017 IWRA World Congress, Callum Clench, IWRA ▪ Water affordability study, Alberto Biancardi, WAREG • Informal discussion in small breakout groups (15 min)
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10:45 – 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 13:30	<p>Working Groups' break-out discussion</p> <p>Delegates will break out in small groups to follow-up on the outcomes of day 1 plenary sessions on indicators and best practices. Each group will be facilitated by a member of the WGI Steering Committee.</p> <p>11:15 – 13:00 :Working Group Breakouts :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Indicators: streamlining, pilot-testing and brainstorming on level 3 indicators ▪ Best Practices: finalising the template and getting organised for the peer-review <p>13:00 - 13:30 : Report back to plenary & next steps</p>
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13:30 – 14:00 **Concluding remarks & next steps**

14:00 – 15:00 **Closing buffet lunch (on site)**
