

OECD Secretariat Overview of the Workshop

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INTRODUCTION

- **Myriam LINSTER**
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- **Aziza AKHMOUCH**
(Public Governance and
Territorial Development Directorate)



- **Barbara AIELLO**
(Environment Directorate)



- **Roberto MARTIN-HURTADO**
(Environment Directorate)



- **Kevin PARRIS**
(Trade and Agriculture Directorate)





OECD WORK ON WATER: PRESENT AND FUTURE (2011 — 2012)

□ **Policy areas** (across OECD and some non-member countries):

- **Drinking water supply and sanitation**
- **Water resources management , including agriculture**
- **Water governance and institutions**
- **Private sector participation in water infrastructure**
- **Aid for water**
- **Environmental projections, including water**

□ **Primary Data, Indicators and Information:**

- **Water resource use (water quality) trends and projections**
- **Economic and financial data (e.g. taxes, prices, aid)**
- **Qualitative surveys (e.g. governance and institutions)**



THE WORKSHOP: STRUCTURE — 1

The Workshop over today and Wednesday is organised around six themes:

- **Session 2:** Introduction and Overview
- **Sessions 3-5:** Reviewing recent international/national experiences & future plans for water information systems (WIS):
 - Session 3: European WIS
 - Sessions 4-5: Other OECD and Accession Countries WIS's
- **Session 6:** Developing economic and financial data sets
- **Session 7:** Virtual water and water footprint indicators
- **Session 8:** Agricultural sector water information needs
- **Session 9:** Institutional coherence and management

FIELD TRIP: THURSDAY

More information on logistics to be provided by
CIAMA on Wednesday

SESSION 10: FRIDAY

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Four Rapporteur Reports
- Chair's Summing up
- Recommendations for OECD Working Parties
- Closing Addresses 13.00
- Close of Workshop at 13.30



THE WORKSHOP: CONTENT

Focus of Workshop is on ***water resource management***, rather than data needs related to water services (e.g. water quality)

There are several ***common themes***, despite division into 10 sessions, that run through many presentations including the:

- ***Linkages between water resource and water quality*** and consequent information needs
- ***Spatial aspects of water resource information*** from waterbasin through to the international level
- ***Institutional and governance*** aspects of information management
- ***Impact of climate change, population and other drivers*** on future information needs and priorities.

Today and Wednesday (Sessions 2 – 9)

- **8 Chairs** to guide session presentations and discussion
- **41 Presentations** divided into sessions with 4–5 papers (10 minutes)
- **9 Discussion Openers** to guide discussion not sum up (10 minutes)
- **General Discussion**, 30 – 40 minutes for each session of papers

Friday (Session 10)

- **4 Rapporteurs** to provide own summary and highlight key points
- **General discussion** (one hour)
- **Chair's** (James Horne, Australia) own reflections
- **Summary of Recommendations** by Kevin Parris (OECD)
- **General discussion** (40 minutes)
- **Closing addresses**



THE WORKSHOP: OUTCOMES

- **Recommendations to guide:**
 1. OECD Working Parties, including those covering: Environmental Information and Outlooks, Global and Structural Policies, and Agriculture and the Environment
 2. Work on developing water information systems in:
 - I. OECD Member and non-member countries
 - II. International organisations
 - III. Private sector
 - IV. Research community
- **Publish Proceedings:** deadline for completed papers (optional) one month following Workshop, Friday 11th June



THE WORKSHOP: KEY DATES

- **20-21 May:** Report to OECD Working Party on Global and Structural Policies
- **28-30 June:** Report to OECD Joint Working Party on Agriculture and the Environment
- **October:** Report to OECD Working Group on Environmental Information and Outlooks
- **2nd Quarter to last quarter 2010:** Deadline for papers (11th June) and preparation of papers for publication in Workshop Proceedings
- **Last quarter 2010/1st quarter 2011:** Publication of Workshop Proceedings

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