



UNFCCC COP 25

Concept Note Action Event: Water

Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action

DATE: 6 December 2019

TIME: 10:00 – 13:00

LOCATION: Room 6, Hall 4, IFEMA Feria de Madrid

Organised by:

Alliance for Global Water Adaptation (AGWA); Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ); French Water Partnership; Global Alliances for Water and Climate (GAFWAC); International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN); Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI); World Water Council

MPGCA Water: Just Add Water: *Solutions for the 2020 NDCs and beyond*

Description:

This year's Water Action Event features tangible, real-world examples of how water can assist Parties in achieving their climate mitigation and adaptation goals, organized around the overarching theme of integrated management across the landscape - from forested headwaters to the sea - with a particular emphasis on what both cities and rural communities are doing to take action. In addition, we include a special feature on the work of the Global Commission on Adaptation and its newly created Water Action Track, which was launched at the UN Secretary General's Climate Action Summit in New York and seeks to mobilise and leverage global efforts to create climate and water-resilient societies.

Objective of the event towards the following issues:

Pre-2020 action:

Water is a fundamental precondition for a low-carbon future; therefore, achieving our shared climate goals for both pre- and post-2020 requires the integration of water resource management into climate planning and implementation. There is much work already being done to integrate water more centrally into climate planning, and we wish to use this event in part to provide concrete examples of businesses, industries, governments, agricultural producers / distributors, and local actors implementing resilient water management tools and approaches across a range of governance scales and geographies.

Climate Action Pathway/Yearbook of Global Climate Action/Global Climate Action portal (NAZCA)

There are systematic transformational actions using resilient water management that can help Parties working on Nationally Determined Contributions to reach their mitigation and adaptation goals. This event will highlight solutions and case studies already being undertaken by companies, organizations, cities and countries. Moving forward, Parties have the opportunity to scale up and expand this work. Finance plays a particularly critical role in this endeavour. As such, we will also highlight innovative finance instruments such as green bonds for water, which are increasingly being used to finance climate-resilient nature-based and hybrid green-grey water infrastructure.

2019 United Nations Climate Action Summit

Here we showcase the work of the Global Commission on Adaptation, in particular, the work of the Water Action Track (launched at the Summit) and its "resilient basins" initiative. Through its



aligned government and civil society partners, the Water Action Track is mobilising hundreds of millions of dollars to support climate adaptation efforts in dozens of basins worldwide by 2030...

Types of speakers:

Gonzalo Muñoz, Chilean High-Level Champion for Global Climate Action

Henk Ovink, Special Envoy for the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Ministerial Representative (Ex: German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development)

City / Local Government Representative

Energy Sector Representative (Veolia, Total, etc.)

Finance / MDBs (Green Climate Fund, etc.)

Agriculture / Aquaculture Representative

Global Commission on Adaptation Representative

Youth climate and water activists

Programme

Date: 6/12/2019 Time: 10:00-13:00 Room 6	Title " <i>Just Add Water: Solutions for the 2020 NDCs and beyond</i> "
10:00-10:05	<i>Introduction, setting the scene: Water transition toward a 1.5°C climate-neutral and resilient world</i>
10:05-10:15	<i>Opening remarks by the High-Level Champion</i> <i>Gonzalo Muñoz, Chile</i>
10:15-10:35	<i>Keynote speech(es):</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Abdelkader Amara, Minister of Equipment, Transport, Logistics and Water of the Kingdom of Morocco, INBO World President 2019-2022, Secretariat of the GAFWAC 2. Henk Ovink, Special Envoy for International Water Affairs, Kingdom of the Netherlands
10:35-11:30	Session I. Urban Resilience Across the Green-Grey Spectrum Format: Panel presentations with audience questions Moderator (10 min for intro, moderation and conclusion of the session): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Monika Weber-Fahr, Global Water Partnership Panel of session I. (suggested duration: 40 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Speaker 1:</i> Mr. Bertrand Camus, CEO, Suez, to represent the Business Alliance for Water and Climate - BAFWAC ● <i>Speaker 2:</i> Mr. Niouga Ambroise Ouedraogo, Minister of Water and Sanitation, Burkina Faso ● <i>Speaker 3:</i> Jennifer Sara, Global Director, Water Global Practice, World Bank ● <i>Speaker 4:</i> Arghya Sinha Roy, Senior Disaster Risk Management Specialist (Climate Change Adaptation), Sustainable Development and Climate Change Department, Asian Development Bank ● <i>Speaker 5:</i> Joakim Giacomoni, Director of International Affairs and Public Relations of SIAAP, Representative of the Megacities Alliance for Water and Climate (MAWAC) <p><i>Questions & answers with the audience (10 min)</i></p>

<p>11:35-12:35</p>	<p>Session II. Food and forestry value chains: connecting projects from source to sea Format: Panel presentations with audience participation</p> <p>Moderator (10 min for intro, moderation and conclusion of the session):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Eric Tardieu, Secretary General, International Network of Basin Organizations (INBO) <p>Panel of session II (suggested duration: 40 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Speaker 1</i>-Mrs. Alexandra Moreira Lopez, Secretary General, Organization of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty <i>Speaker 2</i>-Mr. Jean Lapègue, Water Sanitation and Hygiene Service Responsible, Expertise and Advocacy Direction Action Against Hunger (ACF-France), World Water Council Governor <i>Speaker 3</i>- Mr. Nate Matthews, Global Resilience Partnership and member of Ocean Risk and Resilience Action Alliance (ORRAA) <i>Speaker 4</i>- Mr. Mark Smith, Deputy Director, International Water Management Institute (IWMI) <p><i>Questions & answers with the audience (10 min)</i></p>
<p>12:45-13:00</p>	<p>Closing: Watering the NDCs – Policy Outcome for updating the NDCs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Speaker 1</i>: Trevor Thompson, Ministry of Agriculture, Grenada (coastal/ocean link) <i>Speaker 2</i>: Josefina Maestu, Senior Water Advisor, Government of Spain on behalf of Cristina Narbona, Spanish Senate, former Minister of Environment <i>Speaker 3</i>: Member from the Adaptation Committee <p>Concluding/summary remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Birgitta Liss Lymer, Director, Water Resources, SIWI
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<p>Logistical requirements (Not all requests may be accommodated but we will explore): translation services (French, Spanish...)</p>	