



## UNFCCC COP 26 Glasgow, UK

## Programme Water Action Event "Thirsty for Change: the goals of the Paris Agreement are within reach by tapping the potential of water"

Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action

Friday, 5 November 2021 11:30 - 14:15 GTM Action Room 1, Hydro

Organised by: The Marrakech Partnership Water group, including AGWA, CDP, IUCN and SIWI and supported by the High-level Champions





## **Programme**

Date: Friday,	Thirsty for change: harnessing water's potential for a resilient, net zero and nature-
5 November	positive future
Time: 13:30-	
14:15 GMT	
11:30-11:32	Opening - Ambition statement
	Cate Lamb, Host
11:32-11:37	An appeal to our common humanity
	SOS From The Planet: Save the planet
11:37- 11:45	The state of the world's water resources and why we need to act on water for climate
	now: A Digital World Tour of Water and Climate Science
	Video
	Professor Alun Hubbard, The Arctic University of Norway
11:45-11:53	Non-State Actor opening statements: We are thirsty for change, it's time to tap the potential of water
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	Mark Engel, CSO, Unilever     John Folia: CSO, MR.C.
	John Foley, CEO, M&G
11:53-11:58	Statements from the Future: Thirsty for change
	• Indigenous Young Wetland Ambassadors, <u>Master Video - 720p - Updated CTA.mp4 -</u>
	Google Drive
11:58-12:00	The art of the possible - Water-related solutions that are delivering climate outcomes
	at scale, now
	Opening with a future vision of what a water secure, resilient, equitable, net zero future
	looks like, based on the vision statement from Water Action Pathway.
	Cate Lamb, Host
12:00-12:10	Climate leadership in action - the water and wastewater sector, miles ahead of the
	rest
	(Video, celebratory discussion and look ahead)
	Heidi Mottram, CEO, Northumbrian Water
	Christine McGourty, CEO, Water UK
	Roch Cheroux, CEO, Sydney Water
	Patrick Decker, CEO, Xylem
12:10-12:35	Water for peace and resilience in a changing climate
	This session will showcase how water is being used as a source of cooperation in times of
	scarcity and why we need to accelerate the adoption of transboundary water
	agreements and the role of NSA's to achieve this race to resilience)
	Olga Algayerova, UNECE - Executive Secretary
	Yana Boutali, Ecopeace Middle East
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	An Pich Hatda, CEO, Mekong River Commission
12:35-12:55	Waterside chat: securing a blue green deal at COP 27
	Dialogue between Egyptian Environment Minister Yasmine Fouad and Nigel Topping - what steps they will take to increase the ambition loop for global water action and collaboration on the road to COP27  • Yasmine Fouad, Environment Minister • Nigel Topping
12:55-12:58	Summary and inspirational take away messages  Despite challenges, transformation is achievable and tools are available.
12:58-13:03	Statement for the future  • Sonia Guajajara/ Artemisa Xakriabá / Kynan Tegar / Deb Haaland (TBC)  Indigenous Water Keeper -
13:03-13:05	SESSION 3: Seizing our future - Launch of initiatives to accelerate water-related solutions for climate and nature
	Opening statement illustrating the need for transformational change and highlighting key interventions of the Water Action Pathway  • Cate Lamb, Host
13:05-13:15	Announce: Catalytic Fund for Urban Water Resilience for Africa  • Wanjira Mathai, WRI  • Mayor Pudence Rubingisa, Kigali  • Tim Wainright, Wateraid
13:15- 13:30	Launch: 50 to 1 billion  Samuela Guida, IWA  Marta Colet Gonzalo, CEO, Aguas Andinas  Mayor Belinda Constant of Gretna, LA
13:30-13:48	Launch: Glasgow fair water footprint declaration  • Lord Goldsmith, Minister of State for Pacific and the Environment.  • Minister Tembo, Malawi  • Sareen Malik, Civil Society CEO,  • Corp CEO, Sainsubrys/Unilever  • Dennis van der Putten, Actiam
13:48-14:08	<ul> <li>Waterside chat: systems transformation, how do we make it happen?</li> <li>Frank Elderson, European Central Bank/ Kate Raworth</li> <li>Paul Simpson, CDP</li> </ul>
	(This session will mark the beginning of a breakthrough dialogue on water that to date, has been nascent. The dialogue will explore how one systemic action included in the Water Action Pathway - changes in the rules that define the financial system - can result





	in systemic shifts that put the \$133 trillion global economy on a path to deliver significant water and climate outcomes.)
14:08- 14:11	Statement for the future - The roar of water - a quiet moment of reflection accompanied by the sounds of water  • Penelope Cruz and Conservation International Nature Is Speaking - Penélope  Cruz is Water   Conservation International (CI) - Bing video
14:11-14:15	Closing segment: Summary and inspirational take away messages  There has never been a better time to tap the potential of water. Global ambition is needed now more than ever, it's time to turn the water action pathway into reality)  • Cate Lamb, Host