

**31<sup>st</sup> UN-Water Meeting**  
**Tele2 Arena, room West Corner Lounge 1 & 2**  
**Arenaslingan 14, Johanneshov, Stockholm, Sweden**  
**23 – 24 August 2019**

**Annotated Agenda<sup>1</sup>**

**Start of open session - Lunch break (12:00 –13:00)**

**Friday, 23 August 2019**

**Afternoon Session (13:00 – 17:15 255')**

**Welcome to Partners** [*UN-Water Chair*] 5'

**Welcome remarks** [*Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency*] 5'

**Item 2 Selected reports and progress updates (13:10 – 15:30 140')**

*Chaired by UN-Water Chair*

2.1) Progress reports for information [*Technical Advisory Unit*] 5'

For information: Please see the progress reports for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Expert Group on Regional Level Coordination
- b. Expert Group on Water Quality and Wastewater
- c. Expert Group on Water Scarcity
- d. Expert Group on 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- e. Task Force on Unconventional Water Resources
- f. Task Force on Water Action Decade Implementation

2.2) UN-Water Inventory – An overview of the UN family's work on water and sanitation [*UN-Water Vice-Chair*] 25'

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – UN-Water Inventory update

***Draft decision:*** *The SPMs welcome the UN-Water Inventory web tool and encourage those UN-Water Members and Partners who have not yet provided information to do so. The SPMs decide*

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<sup>1</sup> UN-Water **Members and Partners with Special Status** are invited to participate in both days of the meeting (23 & 24 August). UN-Water **Partners** and other invited stakeholders are invited to participate from lunch on the first day (23 August) until the afternoon coffee break on the second day (24 August).

*that given the launch of the UN-Water online Inventory, the UN-Water Activity Information System (AIS) – currently archived on the UN-Water website – should be taken offline.*

2.3) Update on the process leading to the 2021 and 2023 UN high-level meetings mandated in the midterm review resolution on the International Decade for Action, “Water for Sustainable Development”, 2018–2028 [UN-Water Secretary] 35’

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – UN meetings on water 2021 and 2023

**Draft decision:** *The SPMs decide that UN-Water organize a side event in October 2019 in New York to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to reflect on the question “how do we get the most out of the high-level UN meetings on water in 2021 and 2023?”*

2.4) UN-Water strategic offer for country-level engagement in the context of United Nations reform [Task Force on Country Level Engagement] 35’

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief - UN-Water Strategic Offer for Country-Level Engagement
- b. UN-Water's offer to the country level\_for SPM approval

**Draft decision:** *The SPMs approve the (summary of) UN-Water’s offer to UN Country Teams and Resident Coordinators, and request the TAU to make it publicly available and distribute it by way of correspondence to Country Teams and Resident Coordinators. The Task Force is requested to participate in relevant webinars (e.g. with UN-DCO) and other promotion activities, as appropriate.*

2.5) Updates on the UN-Water Policy Brief “The Global Water Conventions: Fostering Development and Peace” [Expert Group on Transboundary Waters] 25’

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief – Updates on the UN-Water policy brief on the global Water Conventions
- b. UN-Water Policy Brief Water Conventions, draft

**Draft decision:** *The SPMs welcome the Policy Brief progress and request the Expert Group to organize a launch event in autumn 2019 in New York, with high-level participation. The SPMs also entrust the Expert Group to develop an action plan for disseminating the Policy Brief, including milestone events where it could be promoted.*

2.6) Preliminary results of the communications’ impact survey [Technical Advisory Unit] 15’

For information: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – Preliminary results of the communications’ impact survey

***Introduction to Item 5 open space session, including coffee break (15:30 – 16:15)***

**Item 3 Strategic discussion: situating water in climate change processes (16:15 – 17:15 60’)**  
*Chaired by UN-Water Chair; moderated by GWP*

Please see the panel discussion concept note for more information.

**Documentation:** Strategic discussion on the Water and Climate Agenda

***Social activity including dinner (from 18:15 sharp)***

**Saturday, 24 August 2019**

**Morning Session (8:45 – 12:00 195’)**

**Item 4 Monitoring and reporting (8:45 – 9:45 60’)**  
*Chaired by UN-Water Chair*

4.1) Integrated Monitoring Initiative [UNECE, UNICEF, UNEP, UN-Habitat, FAO, UNESCO, WHO, WMO] 30’

For information: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – Update on the Integrated Monitoring Initiative

4.2) Presentation of the UN-Water SDG 6 Data Portal [*Technical Advisory Unit*] 30’

For information: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief – Presentation of the UN-Water SDG 6 Data Portal
- b. SDG 6 Data Portal outreach plan

**Item 5 Open space session (9:45 – 11:30 105’)**  
*Chaired by UN-Water Vice-Chair; moderated by WHO*

An open space is a participant-led facilitation process in which participants suggest the topics to be discussed during the session and other participants join the topics they are most interested in. The room and schedule are organised based on the topics. Those who suggest topics become hosts for their respective topic and other participants join any group they like. Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Explanatory note for the UN-Water open space session

*Coffee break will be taken for 20 minutes during this agenda item*

**Item 6 Roadmap to the UN-Water Strategy to 2030 (11:30 – 12:00 30')**

*Chaired by UN-Water Chair*

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief – Roadmap to Strategy 2030
- b. UN-Water Strategy 2014-2020
- c. UN-Water External Review 2018
- d. Management response to the External Review 2018

***Draft decision:*** *The SPMs request the Management Team to draft the UN-Water Strategy to 2030 to be discussed at the 32<sup>nd</sup> UN-Water Meeting. The drafting process will include consultations with UN-Water Members and Partners and other relevant stakeholders as necessary.*

***Lunch break (12:00 – 13:00)***

**Afternoon Session (13:00 – 16:00 180')**

**Item 7 Global campaigns (13:00 – 13:45 45')**

*Chaired by UN-Water Chair*

- 7.1) Report on World Water Day and World Water Development Report 2019 on Leaving No One Behind and update on the planning for World Toilet Day 2019 [*Task Force on World Water Day and World Toilet Day 2019, UNESCO*] 15'

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief – Report on World Water Day and World Water Development Report 2019 on Leaving no one behind and update on the planning for World Toilet Day 2019
- b. World Water Day 2019 campaign analysis
- c. Workplan – World Toilet Day 2019

***Draft decision:*** *UN-Water Members and Partners are encouraged to feature the WWDR and related materials on their institutional websites and add the WWDR in their resources/publications sections with a permanent link to UNESCO's server.*

- 7.2) Update on the planning for World Water Day and the World Water Development Report 2020 on Water and Climate Change [*Expert Group on Water and Climate Change, UNESCO*] 15'

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief – Update on the planning for World Water Day and the World Water Development Report 2020 on Water and Climate Change
- b. Workplan, budget and timeline World Water Day 2020, Water and Climate Change
- c. World Water Day 2020, Water and Climate Change, template for activities
- d. WWDR 2020, Production Calendar

**Draft decision:** *The SPMs approve the workplan, budget and timeline for the 2020 World Water Day campaign.*

7.3) Selection of theme for World Toilet Day 2020 [*Expert Group on Drinking-Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)*] 15’

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – Selection of theme for World Toilet Day 2020

**Draft decision:** *The SPMs decide that the theme of the 2020 World Toilet Day campaign will be \_\_\_\_\_ and designate \_\_\_\_\_ to coordinate the campaign.*

**Item 8 Future events (13:45 – 14:45 60’)**

*Chaired by UN-Water Chair*

8.1) UN Convention to Combat Desertification 14<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties, New Delhi, India, 2-13 September 2019 [*Expert Group on Water Scarcity*] 10’

For information: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – Update on UN Convention to Combat Desertification 14th Conference of the Parties, New Delhi, India, 2-13 September 2019

8.2) Budapest Water Summit, Budapest, Hungary, 15-17 October 2019 [*Government of Hungary*] 10’

For information.

8.3) International Mayors Forum, Guayaquil, Ecuador, 12-15 November 2019 [*UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs*] 10’

For information: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – International Mayors Forum

8.4) 6<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Knowledge and Capacity for the Water Sector: From Capacity Development to Implementation Science, Delft, the Netherlands, 27-29 May 2020 [*IHE Delft Institute for Water Education*] 10’

For information: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:**

- a. Background brief – 6th International Symposium on Knowledge and Capacity for the Water Sector
- b. From Capacity Development to Implementation Science – concept paper
- c. Call for abstracts

8.5) International High-Level Conference on International Decade for Action “Catalyzing water action and partnership at the local, national, regional and global levels”, Dushanbe, Tajikistan, TBC 2020 [Government of Tajikistan] 10’

For information.

8.6) Fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, China, October 2020 [CBD] 10’

For decision: Please see background brief for more information.

**Documentation:** Background brief – Convention on Biological Diversity COP 15

***Draft decision:** The SPMs requests the Expert Group on the 2030 Agenda to coordinate the inputs to the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The SPMs request the Expert Group on the 2030 Agenda to produce a policy brief by \_\_\_\_\_ to be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the CBD by the Chair of UN Water as an official input to the process developing the post-2020 biodiversity framework no later than July 2020. The SPMs further decide to allocate up to USD 15,000 to support the production of this policy brief.*

OR

*The SPMs decide to create a Task Force on the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The Task Force will be coordinated by \_\_\_\_\_ and its members are \_\_\_\_\_. The SPMs request the Task Force to coordinate and produce a policy brief by \_\_\_\_\_ to be submitted to the Executive Secretary of the CBD by the Chair of UN Water as an official input to the process developing the post-2020 biodiversity framework no later than July 2020. The SPMs further decide to allocate up to USD 15,000 to support the production of this policy brief.*

**Item 9 Decision on date and venue of next UN-Water Meeting and closing remarks to Partners (14:45 – 14:50 5’)**

*Chaired by UN-Water Chair*

For decision.

***Draft decision:** The 32<sup>nd</sup> UN-Water Meeting will be hosted by IFAD on 28 and 29 January 2020 in Rome, Italy.*

**End of open session - Coffee break (14:50 – 15:20)**