



# 5th World Water Forum

## Parliamentary Process Preparatory Conference “Parliaments for Water”

**Thursday 6 November 2008**

Council of Europe

(Room 5)

Strasbourg, France

### *Programme*

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| 9:00  | <p>Opening Session</p> <p>Mr <b>Alan Meale</b>, Chairman, Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs, Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe</p> <p>Mr <b>Loïc Fauchon</b>, President of the World Water Council</p> <p>Mr <b>Oktay Tabasaran</b>, Secretary General of the 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum</p> <p>Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Conference (Mr <b>Jean-François Le Grand</b>, Senator, France and Mr <b>Mustafa Öztürk</b>, Member of Parliament, Turkey)</p> <p>Co-Chairs of 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum Parliamentary Process (Mr <b>Pierre Victoria</b>, Governor of the World Water Council, General Secretary of the French Water Society)</p> |
| 10:10 | <p>Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <i>Issue 1: <b>Right to Water and Sanitation</b></i></li></ul> <p>Mr <b>Ashfaq Khalfan</b>, NGO Center on Housing Rights and Eviction (COHRE)</p> <p>Mr <b>Ali Riza Alaboyun</b>, Member of Parliament, Turkey</p> <p>Mr <b>David Ebong</b>, Member of Parliament, Uganda</p> <p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <i>Issue 2: <b>Global Changes</b></i></li></ul> <p>Mr <b>Henk Vanschaik</b>, Co-operative Programme on Water and Climate, IHE-UNESCO</p> <p>Mr <b>Mustafa Öztürk</b>, Member of Parliament, Turkey</p> <p>Mrs <b>Maureen Ballesteros</b>, Member of Parliament, Costa Rica</p> <p>Discussion</p>      |
| 12:30 | Lunch  |

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| 14:00 | <p>Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Issue 3: <b>Transboundary Waters</b></i></li> </ul> <p>Mrs <b>Patricia Wouters</b>, University of Dundee, United Kingdom<br/> Mr <b>Osman Çoşkunoglu</b>, Member of Parliament, Turkey<br/> Mr <b>Narcio Rodriguez</b>, Member of Parliament, Brazil</p> <p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Issue 4: <b>Decentralization Policies</b></i></li> </ul> <p>Mr <b>Edgardo Bilsky</b>, United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)<br/> Mr <b>Yusuf Irbec</b>, Member of Parliament, Turkey<br/> Mrs <b>Cristina Gutierrez Cortines</b>, Member of the European Parliament</p> <p>Discussion</p> |
| 16:15 | <p>Dialogue around Proposed Outputs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lessons Learned from Existing Legislation</li> </ul> <p>Mr <b>Alejandro Iza</b>, International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “Water Legislation Helpdesk”</li> </ul> <p>Mr <b>Victor Ruffy</b>, Secretary General, Solidarity Water Europe</p>   |
| 17:00 | <p>Conclusions and Next Steps</p> <p>Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Conference: Mr <b>Jean-François Le Grand</b>, Senator, France and Mr <b>Mustafa Öztürk</b>, Member of Parliament, Turkey</p>   |
| 18:45 | <p>Reception given by Mr <b>Roland Ries</b>, Senator-Mayor of Strasbourg (<i>Pavillon Joséphine, Parc de l’Organgerie</i>)</p>   |

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