Stakeholders’ Consultation Meeting
Political Process

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What is ‘Political Process’?

ISC
International Steering Committee

- Thematic Process Commission
- Science & Technology Process Commission
- Regional Process Commission
- Political Process Commission
Increase political will and global awareness for water

Bring together politicians and government officials to actively communicate

Plan and implement effective policies to address water challenges
Roles & Missions

**Roles**
- Create a preparatory process to adopt the outcome document
- Supervise and guide implementation
- Derive lessons and highlight the need to follow-up

**Missions**
- Ensure the coherence of the entire forum and political process
- Guarantee continuity of the forum
- Establish communication channel
- Cooperate with international organizations and other governments
Structure of Political Process Commission

International Steering Committee

Political Process Commission

- Ministerial Process
- Parliamentarian Process
- Local and Regional Authorities Process
Ministerial Process

- Core part of the Political Process.
- Open to Ministers in charge of Water & all relevant Ministers
- Works towards the preparation and adoption of a consensus-based Ministerial Declaration.
# Ministerial Process - Progress

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| • Prepare a Ministerial agenda for ‘Water Adaptation Management Strategies for Global Changes including Climate Change/Variability’ through 4 PrepComs:  
  1st - Discussion Paper Review  
  2nd - Chairpersons’s Paper Review  
  3rd - Amendment of Chairperson’s Paper  
    - Istanbul Water Guide  
    - Draft of Ministerial Statement  
  4th - Approve on Draft of Ministerial Statement  

⇒ MINISTERIAL STATEMENT | • Continue and develop the Ministerial Statement of the 5th World Water Forum, pivot on 12 priorities for actions and 3 conditions for success  
• Reflect the Ministerial Declaration as a outcome on UN agenda such as WHO or Rio+20.  
  1st – Draft of Ministerial Declaration  
  2nd – Amendment of Ministerial Declaration  

⇒ MINISTERIAL DECLARATION |
### Ministerial Process

#### Future Plan: Declaration

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<td>November 2014, New York</td>
<td>February 2015, TBC</td>
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<td>Gathering opinions about overall political process</td>
<td>Review the results of 1st meeting</td>
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→ FINAL PLAN

1. Conference on overall political process
2. Conference on separate sub-processes
3. High level round table
Parliamentarian Process

• Provides guidance to law-makers on how to improve their country’s legislation and budget allocations for water, while raising awareness.
### Parliamentarian Process - Progress

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- Transmit initiatives of establishing a coalition of members of the legislator committee
- Identify the possible needs to enrich international legislation on water issues

- PrepCom – Council of Europe (Nov 2008)
- Task Force Meeting (Jan 2009)
- Draft of Parliamentary WATER LEGISLATION HELPDESK
Parliamentarian Process - Progress

Water Legislation Helpdesk Project

● (Goal) improve access to water for all, legislation and enforcement on water issues, budget allocation

● (Contents) customized online service: providing professional knowledge about law & budget, sharing the best practices

● (Structure) Steering Committee & Advisory Group
## Parliamentarian Process - Progress

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<td>● Strengthen parliamentarian’s capacities</td>
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<td>● Support water and sanitation issues within political arenas at national, regional and international levels</td>
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- Asia-Pacific Parliament for Water (Nov 2010)
- 1st PrepCom-Council of Europe (June 2011)
- 2nd PrepCom- Assemblee Nationale(Feb 2012)
- Parliamentary Helpdesk discussion
- Announcement of Manifesto
# Parliamentarian Process

## Future Plan 1: Preparatory Committee (TBC)

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<th>1(^{st}) PrepCom Meeting</th>
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| - Asia-Pacific Parliamentarian Conference on Environment and Development (APPCED)  
  - TEHRAN (Iran)  
  - August 2014 | - 131\(^{st}\) IPU Assembly  
  - Geneva (Swiss)  
  - 12-16 October 2014 |
Future Plan 2: Manifesto

- Stress the importance of water and the goal of the political process

1) Write a Draft of a Manifesto
2) Review a Manifesto
3) Announce Manifesto in Forum
Parliamentarian Process

Future Plan 3: Water Legislation Helpdesk

- Before – compose the Helpdesk Organization
- During – open the online homepage
- After – update contents through continuous interest and participation
Local and Regional Authorities Process

- The era of decentralization
- International and national politics work better in relation to territorial strategies for development.
- Enhances integration and efficiency of water politics through multilevel governance
Local and Regional Authorities Process - Process

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<td>• UCLG (United Cities and Local Governments) World Council (Nov 2008)</td>
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<td>• PrepCom (Feb 2009)</td>
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<td>• Adopt Istanbul Water Consensus</td>
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International network of LRAs joining forces to promote sustainable practices in water management

Contents

- Part 1: Declaration and Call for Action
- Part 2: Commitments
- Annex: Guidelines for a Plan of L&R Action

Process

1. Get Approval
2. Define targets and commitments
3. Fill in validation form and send to WWC

- 58 countries 1112 LRAs

Champion cities

- Transmit knowledge and best practice in their chosen thematic area

Istanbul Water Consensus
Local and Regional Authorities Process - Progress

6th World Water Forum (March 2012, France)

- Kick-off Meeting (April 2011)
- PrepCom (April 2011)
- Adding more signatures for Istanbul Water Consensus
- Announce the message
  → Confirming international support
# Local and Regional Authorities Process

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<td>- ISTANBUL (Turkey)</td>
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Local and Regional Authorities Process

Future Plan 2: Istanbul Water Consensus

• Get additional signatures → Individual declaration is not necessary

• Increase the number of champion cities → increase visibility
Conclusion

Elaboration of sub-processes
- Concept paper

Preparation of main forum & outcome documents
- Preparatory Committee: declaration, message

Public Relations
- Promotional leaflets & Announcements on Web
- International meeting & Side events

Cooperation with other processes
- Coherence and linkages with other processes
- Participation of politicians in other processes
Thank You