Africa Focus Day

Water Security: Opportunities for the 21st Century

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- OBJECTIVES OF EVENTS: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
- INVOLVEMENT OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS OF THE WORLD

- International Cooperation for Water
- African Cooperation for Water & Sanitation
- Heads of States and Governments
- Ministers
- Parliamentarians
- UN-Agencies
- Development Partners
- Water Experts
- CSO, Women & Youth

The events focus on involving all stakeholders of the world, with topics including democracy, good governance, and cooperation for water and sanitation in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication. The events are organized by the World Water Forum, held in Marseille and Cairo, and the RIO +20 conference on sustainable development.
## Key Messages

### Human Right to Access to Water and Sanitation

- **Guarantee access to water and sanitation for all**
- **Increased implementation of the human rights to access to water and sanitation**
- **D121. Realization of the commitments regarding human right to water and sanitation.**

### Water Governance

- **Improving water governance both horizontally and vertically is required**
- **The importance of clear policy built on political stability and harmonized legal framework**
- **D10. Key Role of democracy, good governance and law, for Sustainable Development (SD)**
- **Strengthening IWRM at all levels (Focus on trans-boundary basin, Ground Water & Water quality)**
- **Implementing IWRM in water laws and national plans.**
- **D121. Significantly improve the implementation of IWRM at all levels**
Key Messages

**Mobilising and Engaging Political Groups and all Stakeholders**

- Participation and mobilisation of all stakeholders at all levels (youth, Women, CSO ...)
- Urgent need to work together with all stakeholders at all levels, (youth, women, CSO, private sector ...)
- D 42-46. Engaging all levels of government and all stakeholders (private sector, CSO, youth, women) for promoting SD.

**Cooperation and Partnerships at Various Levels**

- Improve regional, sub-regional, national and local cooperation between all authorities and stakeholders.
- Improve cooperation between the community, water providers, RECs, L/RBO and all stakeholders.
- D124. The need for international assistance and cooperation for water sector development.
Key Messages

**Infrastructure for Water and Sanitation**

- Improve Investments in water infrastructure, including ‘hard’ infrastructure, water recycling and ‘natural’ infrastructure.
- More Investment and better utilization for infrastructure in Africa.
- D123 need to mobilize investment in infrastructure, in accordance with national priorities.

**Financing the Water Sector**

- Prioritization of water and sanitation in budget allocations and in international cooperation.
- Create solidarity between sectors for financing water project.
- Increasing the capacity to access funding at global and continental levels.
- Financing transfer from environment and Green climate funds to water sector development.
- D191. The importance of mobilizing funding from public and private, bilateral and multilateral, including innovative sources and Green Climate Fund.
Key Messages

첩 Capacity Building and Information

- The importance of capacity building and data sharing for efficiently engaging all stakeholders
- Improve capacity building, knowledge and modeling
- D99-100 Efficient capacity-building and access to information at all levels,

첩 Technology

- To built robust scientific knowledge
- Increase technology transfer and access
- D65. Key roles of technologies, including innovative applications, for sustainable development
## Key Messages

### Water, Climate Change and Risk management

- Water needs to be sufficiently addressed on the UNFCCC agenda
- Ensure that water is sufficiently present in CC negotiations
- D192. Implementation of UNFCCC commitments
- Improve decisions for drought and flood management
- Flood-Drought management should be the key points of water management policy in Africa.
- D123. The need to adopt measures to address floods and droughts

### Keep the Planet Blue with Green Cities

- Action plan for Green cities and implementation of water quality aspects
- Improve the quality of water resources and ecosystems
- D134. Green cities promote sustainable development
Water for Growth in Africa

• How can Africa implement outcomes, commitments and engagements on Water and Sanitation (Sharm el Sheikh, 4th AWW, 6th WWF, Rio +20)?

• Which opportunities should we prioritise to face Challenges in Africa?

• Africa’s thinking about new concept SDG?

• Bridge between MDG and SDG concept?
Thank You!