



EU Water Initiative Multi-Stakeholder Forum

Wednesday, 4th September 2013

14.00 – 17.30

Room K 11

Co-convened by European Commission and SIWI

Facilitated by Andy Bullock

Draft agenda

<i>Opening Remarks</i>		
14.00 – 14.15 (15)	Co-hosts - European Commission	André Liebaert, DG DEVCO
	- SIWI	Dr. Håkan Tropp, SIWI
	Presentation of European Innovation Partnership	Robert Schröder, EC, DG ENV
<i>Keynote address – nexus progress</i>		
14.15 – 14.35 (20)	Nexus – progress since Bonn 2011	Germany – Mr. Franz Marre, BMZ (tbc)
<i>Concrete regional opportunities within the water-energy-food security nexus</i>		
14.35– 15.10 (35)	Africa region – panel discussion	<p>Panel comprising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• GWP-ANBO on 'strengthening transboundary institutions' (Ms. Tracy Molefi, ANBO Chair),• NEPAD Centres of Excellence (Nico Elema, Stellenbosch University),• EUWI-Africa Working Group representatives (Mr. Rashid Mbaziira – AMCOW; EU Member State - tbc) <p>Panelists to be assigned ~4 minutes to outline concrete opportunity envisaged.</p>
15.10 – 15.40	<i>Tea - Coffee break</i>	
15.40 – 16.00 (20)	EECCA region	EUWI-EECCA Working Group : Mr. Gheorghe Constantin, Romania,

		Ms. Tatiana Efimova, OECD, and Mr. Bo Libert, UNECE
16.00 – 16.20 (20)	Mediterranean region	EUWI-MED Working Group Ms. Anthe Brouma, MED EUWI Secretariat
16.20 – 16.35 (15)	Latin America region	EUWI-LA Working Group Ms. Tania Gutiérrez, Spain and CODIA
16.35 – 16.50 (15)	China – EC Water Platform (Nexus cluster)	Mr. Henrik Dissing, CEWP
<i>Panel discussion</i>		
16.50 – 17.20 (30)	Panel response	<p>Panel, introduced by remarks from civil society (Mr. Thilo Panzerbietter, German WASH Coalition) and business (tbc) stakeholders.</p> <p>Panel to comprise speakers/representatives from regional components</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EUWI-Africa WG representative, • Mr. Xavier Leflaive, OECD • Mr. Vangelis Constantianos, GWP • Mr. Henrik Dissing, CEWP
17.20 – 17.30 (10)	Concluding remarks	Co-hosts : EC and SIWI

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Background Note

The EUWI Multi-Stakeholder Forum, co-convened by the European Commission and SIWI, will focus on the opportunity to develop a 'nexus approach' in the activities of the different components of the ongoing Initiative. This focus builds on a previous review of the EUWI and directions set to be responsive to the overarching political agenda of the Initiative's partner regions and to align the further activities of the Initiative with the new EU Development Framework 'Agenda for Change'.

Addressing the water-energy-food security nexus, with a particular attention on cooperation in transboundary waters, is consistent with these new orientations. Accordingly, this session will focus on the EUWI's catalytic role on new challenges and opportunities within the nexus.

During the Multi-Stakeholder Forum, Regional Working Groups of the EUWI will indicate their intentions to develop a 'nexus approach' within the context of regional political demand, and will put forward concrete opportunities to advance these developments.

The Forum will be opened by statements from representatives from the European Commission and SIWI as co-convenors, followed by a keynote presentation by Government of Germany. This keynote presentation will outline recent developments under the nexus approach since the Bonn 2011 Conference.

Each of the EUWI partner regions will then present concrete opportunities within the water-food-energy nexus:

The Africa region will take the form of a facilitated Panel dialogue, including representatives from AMCOW, the EUWI Africa Working Group, GWP-ANBO and NEPAD Centres of Excellence

The Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA) region, the Mediterranean (MED) and the Latin American (LA) regions will each be introduced by representatives of the respective EUWI Regional Working Groups

The China – EC Water Platform will focus on opportunities within its 'nexus' cluster

A stakeholder panel discussion, involving the different EUWI Working Groups, will be introduced by presentations from representatives of the business community and civil society, with a focus on the EUWI's advancement of nexus approach and on the concrete opportunities tabled by the different regions.