

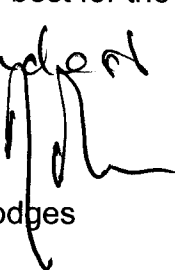
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To All Members of the FWG

Dear All

I am writing to advise you that the arrangements agreed at our meeting in February of this year, under which the FWG would be hosted by the Global Water Partnership Organisation in Stockholm with me handing over the Chair of the FWG to Johan Holmberg, will take effect from 1 July. Vanessa Celosse will, from the same date, take up a period of secondment from DFID to work with the GWPO in Stockholm in order to support Johan.

I have enjoyed my period as Chair of the FWG and thank all of you who have played an active part in helping to re-focus the work of the Group to better meet the emerging needs of our developing country partners. An exciting period now lies ahead, with a demanding workplan for the coming three years and a growing budget with which to implement it. I wish you all, and the FWG, the very best for the future.

Kindest Regards


John Hodges