



## Monday 18th July 2016

### Parallel Technical Sessions

- Sub Theme 4** 1st Technical Session: 16:00 - 17:30hrs
- Topic:** Framing Session - Game Changers with the SDGs for Policy, Financing & Monitoring in the Water Security and Sanitation Sector
- Lead Convener:** AfDB and UNICEF
- Co-Conveners:** AMCOW
- Session Objectives:** The three elements of the 4<sup>th</sup> subtheme – Water Sector Policy, Financing and Monitoring – and what needs to change to achieve the SDG will be highlighted in a panel discussion.
- Session Description:** Panel Discussion with high level participation. What is the required paradigm shift to achieve the SDG in Africa? What is the role of pan-African initiatives in the Water Sector to achieve the continent's aspirations? How can the funding gap be closed?
- Speakers & Panelists:** AMCOW, AfDB, Country representatives with advanced SDG planning (e.g RSA, Senegal, Mali), a Regional Economic Community

## Tuesday 19th July 2016

- Sub Theme 4** 2<sup>nd</sup> Technical Session: 09:00 - 10:30hrs
- Topic:** WASH sector strengthening and the enabling environment in AFRICA toward meeting the SDGs
- Lead Convener:** UNICEF
- Co-Conveners:** Sanitation and Water for All (SWA)
- Session Objectives:** Discuss existing tools, approaches and processes as well as new thinking and innovative mechanisms that will help support national governments to effectively strengthen an enabling environment for WASH services delivery
- Session Description:** The session will provide participants with the latest thinking on sector system strengthening, key components of the enabling environment. Participants will have opportunity to discuss and reflect on in-country case studies and examples. The discussion will be guided by the SDG6 means of implementation document. Plenary presentations and discussions will be used during opening remarks, recommendations and conclusion. The Theory of Change for the enabling environment will be delivered through presentation followed by questions and answers. Field notes, case studies and presentation will be shared and as well as group discussions, exercises and presentations. Participants will have opportunity to interact with representatives from governments, development, UN agencies, NGO experts on systems strengthening in WASH and exchange views on global thinking and country implementation of Enabling environment functions.

**Speakers & Panelists:** Evariste Kouassi-Komlan (UNICEF), Sitali (SWA), Guy (UNICEF)

Moderator/Rapporteur: Evariste Kouassi-Komlan

**Sub Theme 4** 3<sup>rd</sup> Technical Session: 11:00 - 12:30hrs

**Topic:** What Policy Shifts are needed to achieve SDGs?

**Lead Convener:** AfDB

**Co-Conveners:** African Network of Basin Organisations (ANBO), Water Integrity Network (WIN)

**Session Objectives:** Convene stakeholders to discuss what major policy shifts are required to meet the SDG6 targets by 2030.

**Session Description:** Presentations on Africa Water Vision 2025, Policies, values and principles implemented by WIN to safeguard integrity in the water sector, African Network of Basin Organizations,

**Speakers & Panelists:** Terefa, AWF, Mr. Armand HOUANYE, Coordinator, Regional Programmes, GWP-WADCEP, Mr. André ZOGO, Executive Secretary, GWP/PNE Benin, WaterAid Representative, Regional Economic Community (ECCAS),

Moderator/Rapporteur: Terefa / Steven

**Sub Theme 4** 4<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 14:00 - 15:30hrs

**Topic:** Investing in infrastructure to shape sustainable growth in Africa

**Lead Convener:** Infrastructure Consortium for Africa (ICA)

**Co-Conveners:** International Water Association (IWA) and International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

**Session Objectives:** Discuss how investment in water infrastructure in Africa can integrate a nexus perspective, successfully directing benefits and balancing trade-offs across water, energy and food, without compromising ecosystem services for sustainability.

**Session Description:** Numerous opportunities exist in African basins for nexus strategies to be integrated into developing infrastructure, based on understanding the interdependencies between water-energy-food systems. An ICA study on nexus trade-offs and strategies addressing water, agriculture and energy security nexus in Africa provides an overview of regional challenges and opportunities for multipurpose (water) infrastructure. As many major basins with on-going infrastructure development are transboundary, planned applications of UNECE's participatory nexus assessment will also bring insight into benefits of inter-sectoral coordination. The event presents opportunity to discuss where investments can be focused and how it can lead to the

development of an investment portfolio for nexus infrastructure (multi scale, natural, built) and sharing of benefits across sectors and between stakeholders.

**Speakers & Panelists:** ICA/IUCN/IWA, Phil Riddell, SADC, AfDB - (TBC) Niger Basin Authority, Volta Basin Authority (VBA), Lake Victoria Basin Commission (LVBC) - TBC

**Moderator/Rapporteur:**

## Tuesday 19th July 2016

**Sub Theme 4** 5<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 16:00 - 17:30hrs  
**Topic:** Costs and financing to achieve the SDG WASH targets in Africa  
**Lead Convener:** UNICEF

**Co-Conveners:** World Bank, African Development Bank

**Session Objectives:** Convene stakeholders to discuss what financing is required to meet the SDG WASH targets by 2030 and the choices and prioritization necessary to ensure equitable policies and outcomes.

**Session Description:** To meet the SDG WASH targets in Africa, realistic and comprehensive financing plans are needed based on the costs of providing both hardware and software components as well as operations and maintenance to ensure services operate efficiently and sustainably. This requires tough choices to in the allocation of investment and recurrent budgets, such as between income group or other vulnerability indicators, between service types and levels, and between different geographical areas. This session brings together some key stakeholders for presentation of their perspectives and approaches in the panel, and brings on board audience participation through small group discussion around selected key themes.

**Speakers & Panelists:** Guy Hutton, UNICEF, AfDB (Lang: English/French) John Garret, WaterAid UK (Lang: English), Country example e.g. Kenya/RSA Developing a sector financing plan

**Moderator/Rapporteur:** Evariste Kouassi Komlan, UNICEF

## Wednesday 20th July 2016

**Sub Theme 4** 6<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 09:00 - 10:30hrs  
**Topic:** Innovative Financing: Leveraging Domestic Resources to remove financial bottlenecks in WAS Sector in Africa  
**Lead Convener:** UNICEF

**Co-Conveners:** DGIS Government of Senegal, AUC/AMCOW

**Session Objectives:** Cracking financing bottlenecks will be fundamental to increase domestic resources mobilization for the water and sanitation sector. Collective efforts are needed to create enabling environment for service providers and users to ensure that financial mechanisms are set up and regulations are in place to support sustainable and resilient infrastructure

**Session Description:** To address financing in WASH challenge, development partners, governments, major investment banks and other international organizations are discussing how to move this agenda forward. In 2015 in Addis Ababa and Dakar many countries have agreed to increase domestic resources mobilization to ensure access and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all. With limited public funding, this requires the development an innovative approaches to water financing that can leverage grant, tax and private money, expanding the reach of the beneficiaries. This event will provide participants with the latest thinking on financing drawing on the conclusions of the 2016 Financing Events in Addis and Dakar and the financial plans for SDGS. Participants will have opportunity to discuss and reflect on country case studies and examples that the Dutch ministry of Foreign Affairs, has launched in collaboration with other partners such us UNICEF, World Bank, IRC, Netherlands Water partnership. Some practical examples such us Kenya innovative finance facility and country case on leverages will be discuss.

**Speakers & Panelists:** Evariste Kouassi Komlan, Dick Van Ginhoven, Government of Netherlands, AUC/AMCOW, Dr Rashid Mbazira, Government of Senegal

**Moderator/Rapporteur:**Evariste Kouassi Komlan

**Sub Theme 4** 7<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 11:00 - 12:30hrs

**Topic:** Climate Finance - What are the opportunities and constraints of climate finance for the Water and Sanitation Sector in Africa

**Lead Convener:** African Water Facility and AfDB Energy, Environment and Climate Change Department (TBC)

**Co-Conveners:** CLIMDEV (tbc)

**Session Objectives:** Develop a common understanding of Policy and Financing requirements and options for practical implementation of Climate Change Resilience projects. On the background of high level of vulnerability in Africa and high level of uncertainty in Climate Projections, and based on practical examples from projects on the ground.

**Session Description:** Getting the right design is critical for financing of any infrastructure. Key design parameters for water infrastructure are hydrological information. In many countries this information is scares and the uncertainties introduced by climate change makes projections even more difficult. Existing climate models are not detailed enough to produce scenarios at local level. With these uncertainties there is a risk of building too small or too big infrastructure and there is a need to agree on a policy and a practical approach to define critical water resources information.

Financing mechanisms: Financing for project identification, project preparation and project implementation; Identification is done locally as part of national planning

processes; Preparation are often done through project preparation facilities such as African Water Facility, and sometimes as part of investment; Actual investment is done as part of development banks (AfDB, WB etc) or form dedicated climate change investment options such as GCF.

**Speakers & Panelists:** Climate Policy Initiative, AWF / GCF or one of the accredited implementing entities

**Moderator/Rapporteur:** AfDB

**Sub Theme 4** 8<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 14:00 - 15:30hrs

**Topic:**

**Lead Convener:** Government of Senegal

**Co-Conveners:** AfDB, UNICEF

**Session Objectives:**

**Session Description:**

**Speakers & Panelists:**

**Moderator/Rapporteur:**

### Wednesday 20th July 2016

**Sub Theme 4** 9<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 16:00 - 17:30hrs

**Topic:** Country-led monitoring for improved service delivery

**Lead Convener:** AMCOW and UNICEF

**Co-Conveners:** IRC, etc

**Session Objectives:** The objective of the topic is to learn from cases about how country-led monitoring has improved WASH services and water quality, **water resource management or faecal sludge management**, where it has developed and how it can be strengthened to meet the diverse sector information needs.

**Session Description:** Country-led monitoring is when the government leads and owns the monitoring cycle by determining questions to be asked, methods applied, analytical approaches, communications and how the information is used. Resulting national M&E systems are a crucial part of the enabling environment to improve services at sub-national and national levels and to track and meet N'gor, SDG and SWA commitments. There is demand for data for all these different purposes and an expectation that partners align with country-led monitoring systems. How can this be done? Cases will be presented on the use of data from country-led monitoring systems for their core purpose: to improve services. Following this, there will be examples of how systems have been developed at scale and a panel discussion on their role in meeting diverse/aligned data needs.

**Speakers & Panelists:** Nelson Gomonda, Kelly and/or Nick (TBC)

**Moderator/Rapporteur:** Nelson Gomonda, Rapporteur - Kadjo Yao (UNICEF)

## **Thursday 21st July 2016**

**Sub Theme 4** 10<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 14:00 - 15:30hrs  
**Topic:** Role of remote sensed data in driving sustainable water resources management and climate resilience  
**Lead Convener:** UNEP-DHI  
**Co-Conveners:** International Water Association (IWA), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Global Environment Facility (GEF)  
**Session Objectives:** To present and discuss data availability and uncertainty related to planning in a basin or catchment context taking into account climate variability, climate change, flood and drought events; Present a web-based data portal as one of the outputs from the UNEP/GEF Flood and Drought Management tools project (FDMT).  
**Session Description:** Data availability and data uncertainty. Data is the basis for any planning activity, and data availability is often one of the key constraints for planning. This session will focus on how remotely sensed data could be used in planning, and present how near real-time data, seasonal forecast and climate data could be retrieved and used.  
Outputs: Discussion and feedback on the usability and uncertainty of the presented data tool in a planning context; Discussion on how to combine local and global data in a planning situation  
Desired Outcomes: Increased awareness of the use of spatially distributed satellite data in droughts and floods management  
**Speakers & Panelists:** Flood and Drought Management Tools project representative; UNEP-DHI  
**Moderator/Rapporteur:**

**Sub Theme 4** 11<sup>th</sup> Technical Session: 16:00 - 17:30hrs  
**Topic:** SDG 6 Monitoring and Reporting at Continental and Global Levels  
**Convener:** AMCOW  
**Co-Conveners:** AWF/ AfDB, WHO and UNICEF (GLAAS and JMP) GEMI and RECs  
**Session Objectives:** Understand the objectives and roles of regional and global M&E initiatives  
Explore and identify opportunities for linkages and collaboration across global, regional, and sub-regional monitoring initiatives  
**Session Description:** AMCOW Ministers made decisions both at the General Assembly and Executive Council levels to institute the African Water and Sanitation Sector Monitoring and Evaluation Process. Further, the AMCOW Executive Committee (EXCO) during its 2015 meeting made a decision (EXCO/12/2015/DAKAR/1) directing the AMCOW Secretariat to develop mechanisms for linkages with the monitoring, evaluation and reporting processes at Global level including Post 2015 SDG monitoring initiatives with the Africa Monitoring and Reporting System. At global level, various monitoring and reporting initiatives are being developed to support SDG 6 monitoring and reporting.  
The session will outline the processes and how the Africa Water and Sanitation Sector has evolved over the years. This session will also provide an overview of some of the new SDG monitoring complexities at global level and discuss the implications for countries and present steps to ensure linkages across different levels.

**Speakers & Panelists:** Maureen Ntege, (AWF/AfDB), Nelson Gomonda, (AMCOW), Tom Slaymaker (JMP) and Fiona Gore (GLAAS), GEMI UN-Partners, Selected Country and Regional Economic Community Representatives

**Moderator/Rapporteur:** AMCOW