WASH Indicators

Measuring progress in the realisation of the human right to water and sanitation
WELCOME
WaterLex and conference introduction

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VISION

“A world in which water resources management and governance secure human rights and sustainable development for everyone.”
MISSION

“Sustainable solutions based on human rights to improve water governance worldwide.”
ACTIVITIES

Legal Desk:
✓ Helps shape consistent water law and policy frameworks that promote effective water governance and human rights compliance;
✓ Capacity building activities for a wide range of stakeholders (parliamentarians, NHRIs etc.).

Operations Desk:
✓ Elaboration of national action plans for the realization of HRWS based on country mappings and other assessments;
✓ Field assistance/training for governments, civil society networks;
✓ Tools and learning materials for various stakeholders.
CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

✓ Commence a dialogue for more interdisciplinary approaches on implementation and measuring the right to water and sanitation.
✓ Stimulate dialogue for a more common approach.
✓ Connecting the dots, not just on legal content, but also on operational output and measuring.
✓ Monitor the longer term process and reflect on that process.
CONFEREECE OBJECTIVES

✓ Clarify the definitions of an ideal table of contents and indicators for country mappings showing progress on the implementation of the human right to water and sanitation (ultimately for a National Action Plan).

✓ Discussion among legal specialists and field practitioners which finds the middle ground between legal technical requirements and practical feasibility.
PART ONE: SETTING THE SCENE

09:00 – 09:30  Registration and welcome
09:30 – 09:40  Moderator introduction – Jan van de Venis, WaterLex Legal Desk Director
09:40 – 10:00  Opening address – Jane Connors, OHCHR
10:00 – 10:20  Opening address – Prof Eibe Riedel, Chair of German and Comparative Public Law, European and International Law, University of Mannheim, Germany
10:20 – 10:30  Video message – Dr Rick Johnston, Technical Officer, JMP, World Health Organisation
10:30 – 11:00  Open discussion with participants (in plenary)

11:00 – 11:30  Tea and Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:00  Overview of OHCHR work on indicators with UN Special Rapporteur – Grace Steffan
12:00 – 13:00  Lunch

PART TWO: PROCEDURAL RIGHTS

13:00 – 13:30  To ensure access to water & sanitation for all – building on the Aarhus Convention and the Protocol on Water and Health – Chantal Demilecamps and Fiona Marshall, UNECE
  Comments: Patricia Quillacq, Andorra Ministry of Foreign Affairs

13:30 – 14:00  Discussing rural women’s participation – Naéla Mohamed Gabr, Chairperson of the CEDAW working group on rural women
  Comments: Alice Bouman-Dentener, Hon. President, Women for Water Partnership

14:00 – 14:30  Open-discussion with participants (in plenary)

14:30 – 15:00  Tea and Coffee Break
PART THREE: PLANNING AND MONITORING ON OUTCOMES
15:00 – 15:30 Video message: Minimum core obligations – Dr Malcolm Langford, Norwegian Institute for Human Rights. Comments: Mads Holst Jensen, Danish Institute for Human Rights
15:30 – 16:00 Open discussion with participants (in plenary)

PART FOUR: STRUCTURAL INDICATORS (THE ENABLING ENVIRONMENT)
16:00 – 16:30 Role of social dialogue in local government – Carlos Carrion Crespo, ILO
   Comments: Mr Moez Allaoui, WaterLex
16:30 – 17:00 Investment, trade in services and the right to water and sanitation: ensuring coherence
   – Suzan Mathews, OHCHR Comments: Dr Catherine Brößmann, University of Amsterdam
17:00 – 17:15 Summary of the day and closure – Dr Tobias Schmitz, WaterLex Operations Desk Director

DAY 2 – Saturday, 22nd November

PART FOUR: (Continuation)
09:15 – 09:30 Welcome and recap – Jan van de Venis, WaterLex Legal Desk Director
09:30 – 10:00 Video message: Prioritisations in water governance for the realisation of different human rights – Michael Windfuhr, German Institute for Human Rights
10:00 – 10:30 Introduction of the breakout sessions – Jan van de Venis
10:30 – 11:00 Tea and Coffee Break

PART FIVE: BREAKOUT SESSIONS
11:00 – 12:30 BREAKOUT SESSIONS on indicators – (1) procedural, (2) outcome, and (3) structural
12:30 – 13:30 Lunch
13:30 – 14:30 REPORT BACK TO PLENARY (of Breakout Sessions)
14:30 – 15:00 Closure and next steps – Dr Tobias Schmitz, WaterLex Operations Desk Director
THANK YOU

- Open discussions
- Breakout sessions 22nd
- Event survey
- Speaker dinner

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Indicators on the Right to Water (RtW) - Eibe Riedel

7 right-to-water indicator clusters could be made out:

1 General indicators
2 Availability issues
3 Quality concerns
4 Accessibility issues
5 Information accessibility and education
6 Non-discrimination issues
7 Private water services