The Future of Water in the United Nations System

Wednesday – 19th September 2012
1-4pm | Room XXIV

Side Event to the UN Human Rights Council
Program

13:00 – 13:30  Lunch  (Offered by the Perm. Mission of Ecuador)

Distribution of the Publication
“Shaping a new Water Governance”

13:30 – 14:00  Introduction

Introductory notes
Mr. Jean-Benoit Charrin - Executive Director, WaterLex

Welcome speeches
H.E. Ambassador Luis Gallegos – Permanent Representative of Ecuador
H.E. Ambassador Thomas Fitschen – Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany
H.E. Ambassador Manuel Bernardo Dengo - Permanent Representative of Costa Rica
H.E. Ambassador Ana Maria Menendez Perez – Permanent Representative of Spain (tbc)

14:00 – 15:00  Shaping a new Water Governance

A Human Rights-based Approach to Water Governance: Challenges and Opportunities
Dr. Helene Boussard - Coordinator Research Program, WaterLex

New Indicators for Drinking-Water and Sanitation

Human Rights Mainstreaming in Sustainable Development Goals
Mr. Bahram Ghazi - Development and Economic and Social Issues Branch, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (UN/OHCHR)

The UNECE/WHO-Europe Protocol on Water and Health: a legally binding instrument to ensure the realization of the human right to water and sanitation
Ms Francesca Bernardini - Co-Secretary of the Protocol on Water and Health, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

15:00 – 16:00  Open exchange with Participants

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