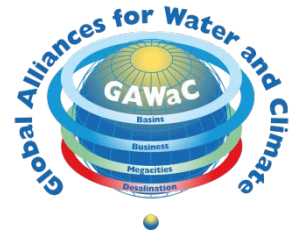




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International Summit

***“Water and Climate:
Meeting of the Great Rivers of the
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Rome, 23-25 October 2017



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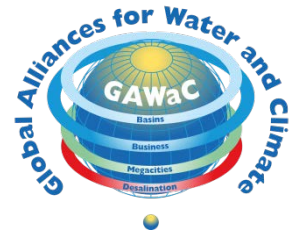
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Organisers:

Ministry for Environment, Land and Sea of Italy ; UNECE (Water Convention); RIOB/INBO; Global Alliances for Water and Climate

Patronages:

FAO, UNESCO, European Parliament, President of the Italian Republic

Participants:

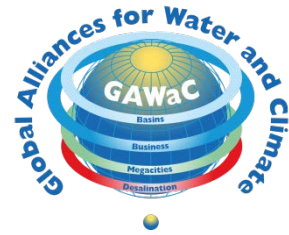
35 basins organisations (5 continents), more than 100 Countries represented, international organisations, financial institutions, research centers, business sector, civil society...



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Programme

Session on the «Great Rivers of the World»

Representatives of the major river/lake basins of the world: Amazon, Missisipi, Yangtze, Saint Lauren, Mekong, Rio della Plata, Volga, Danube, Congo, Nile, Senegal.

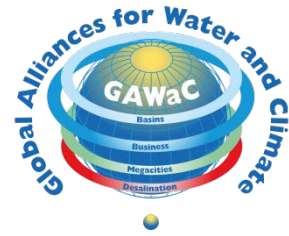




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Programme

Four thematic sessions:

- 1. INFORMATION :** Improving knowledge for adaptation to climate change - the creation and the strengthening of monitoring networks and **Water Information Systems**
- 2. MANAGEMENT:** Water resources and aquatic ecosystems management in a changing climate
- 3. PARTICIPATION:** Public participation and involvement of the private sector for adaptation to climate change in basins
- 4. FINANCING:** Financial mechanisms for adaptation to climate change in basins.



Programme

Closing ceremony

with the Italian President of the Republic

- the Italian Business Alliance on Water and Climate,
- Tribute to Africa,
- the Rome Declaration

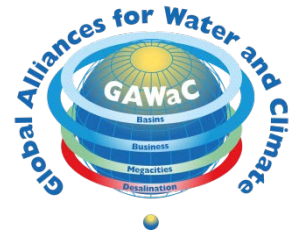




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Main messages (to COP23)

« Declaration of the Presidency of the International Summit of Rome on Water and Climate »

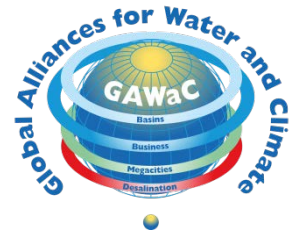
- **Water should become a the top priority** in the international negotiations on climate change and in the Global Climate Action Agenda,
- **Regional and transboundary cooperation** in climate change adaptation is crucial to effectively address this change,
- The establishment and development of local, national or transboundary **basin organizations** is to be supported as well as the strengthening of institutional and technical cooperation between counterpart basin organizations,
- In each country and each basin, the organization and improvement of the production, gathering, conservation and exchange of data is to be supported within integrated **Water Information Systems (WIS)**,



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- The effective **participation** of the civil society and all stakeholders in decision-making and management processes is to be fostered. In particular, it is necessary to use dialogue frameworks, such as Basin Committees or Councils, Local Water Commissions or River's or Aquifer's Contracts for this purpose,
- Governments and the international community must ensure the mobilization of essential **funding** for the implementation of urgent actions to adapt water to climate. Funding should support not only infrastructure projects, but also serve to improve knowledge of resources and climate change impacts, capacity building, governance, **water culture**, the monitoring and evaluation of policies,
- **Africa**, which is the continent that is the most vulnerable to the effects of climate change, must be able to count on the mobilization and solidarity of all partners.



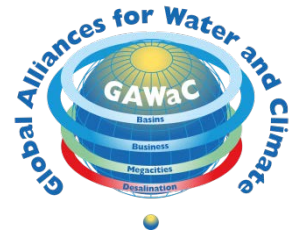
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Water is essential for life
Water is life
Let's take it away from climate change!



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Thanks for your attention!



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