



8<sup>th</sup> Session of the  
**MEETING OF THE PARTIES  
TO THE WATER CONVENTION**  
10-12 OCTOBER 2018 | ASTANA | KAZAKHSTAN

### Side event

## **Innovative approaches to addressing implementation challenges - A practical insight into the work of the Implementation Committee**

**Friday, 12 October | 8:30 – 9:45 | Room 2 Amu Darya  
English – French – Russian**



The Implementation Committee was established in November 2012 by the Parties to the Water Convention to facilitate, promote and safeguard implementation of the Water Convention in a simple, non-confrontational, non-adversarial, transparent, supportive and cooperation manner. While similar committees exist under other multilateral conventions relating to, for example, environmental protection and human rights, the committee is the only one of its kind in the field of international watercourses. The side event will offer participants the opportunity to familiarise themselves with work of the committee and gain a practical insight into how the committee can help address challenges in the implementation of the Water Convention and transboundary water cooperation. Alongside a presentation of the work of the Committee, an interactive example will illustrate how the Implementation Committee works practice. Participants will also have the opportunity to pose questions to Implementation Committee Members.

**Convenors:** Implementation Committee of the Water Convention; Water Convention Secretariat

## Programme

**8:30 – 8:35**

**Welcome, Mr Ivan  
Zavadsky**

**8:35 – 8:45**

**An Introduction to the  
Implementation  
Committee, Ms Dinara  
Ziganshina**

**8:45 – 9:15**

**The Implementation  
Committee in practice –  
case study insights**

**9:15 – 9:40**

**Plenary discussion and  
Q&A, chaired by Mr Kari  
Kinnunen**

**9:40 – 9:45**

**Closing remarks, Mr  
Attila Tanzi**