Organization of work of the ninth session of the Meeting of the Parties to the Water Convention

Side events

Several virtual side events will take place on 27-28 September 2021, ahead of the Meeting of the Parties. Registration for the side events is required via the below links.

**Monday, 27 September 2021**

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Formal programme

**Wednesday, 29 September 2021**

**High-level segment**

**10:00 - 10:45**  
**Item 1.** Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda

**10:45 - 11:00**  
**Item 2.** Status of ratification of the Convention and its Protocols and report on credentials.  
Progress in the global opening of the Convention

**11:00 - 13:00**  
**Item 3.** Special session – Water and peace  
*Transboundary water cooperation: a catalyst for peace*

**13:00 - 15:00**  
Lunch break with ministerial working session

**15:00 - 16:00**  
**Item 3.** Special session – Water and peace (continuation)  
*Accelerating progress on transboundary water cooperation to achieve sustainable development*

**General segment**

**16:00 - 18:00**  
**Item 4.** Increasing awareness of and accession to the Convention and application of its principles drawing on the benefits of cooperation

**18:00 - 20:00**  
Reception

**Thursday, 30 September 2021**

**10:00 – 11:40**  
**Item 4.** Increasing awareness of and accession to the Convention and application of its principles drawing on the benefits of cooperation (continuation)

**10:00 – 10:30**  
**Item 4 (a)** Progress in national processes towards accession and implementation of the Strategy for the implementation of the Convention at the global level

**10:30 – 10:50**  
**Item 4 (b)** Launch of the second progress report on implementation of the Convention

**10:50 – 11:15**  
**Item 4 (c)** Supporting the development of agreements and the establishment of joint bodies

**11:15 – 11:40**  
**Item 4 (e)** Supporting implementation or application of the Convention through projects on the ground and capacity-building

**11:40 – 12:20**  
**Item 6.** Supporting equitable and sustainable water allocation in the transboundary context

**12:20 – 13:00**  
**Item 7.** European Union Water Initiative and National Policy Dialogues

**13:00 – 15:00**  
Lunch break with online networking (*Connection link to be shared with registered participants.*)

**15:00 – 15:15**  
**Item 4(d)** Implementation Committee

**15:15 – 16:00**  
**Item 8.** Water-food-energy-ecosystems nexus in transboundary basins

**16:00 – 16:40**  
**Item 9.** Facilitating financing of transboundary water cooperation

**16:40 – 17:40**  
**Item 10.** Reporting under the Convention and on indicator 6.5.2 of the Sustainable Development Goals

**17:40 – 18:00**  
**Item 5.** Supporting monitoring, assessment and information sharing in transboundary basins
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**Registration**

Registration is required via the following link: [https://indico.un.org/e/MOP9_Water_Convention](https://indico.un.org/e/MOP9_Water_Convention).
Venue | Connection

The meeting will take place in hybrid format, with participants attending both in-person and remotely.

**Venue for in-person participation:** Conference room XVIII, Building E (access via Door E40), Palais des Nations (Avenue de la Paix 14, 1211 Geneva, Switzerland). Please allow enough time for the collection of your badge at Pregny Gate, Palais des Nations (please arrive at least 60min before the start of the meeting).

**Connection details for remote participation:** The connection details and further guidance on how to use the virtual platform (Zoom) will be shared a few days ahead of the meeting.

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