



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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| 10:00-11:30
(CET) | Water flows regulations in a fragmented world
Registration link: https://bit.ly/2XdqRzY |
| 12:00-13:30
(CET) | Transboundary collaboration from source to sea – Opportunities for action
Registration link: https://bit.ly/37xKCEl |
| 14:00-15:30
(CET) | Water-food-energy-ecosystems nexus: Operationalizing solutions, strengthening transboundary cooperation
Registration link: https://bit.ly/3gzdfWs |
| 16:00-17:30
(CET) | Join us on the road to the 9th World Water Forum (Dakar, Senegal // March 2022)
Registration link: https://bit.ly/3lPO6Kl |

Tuesday, 28 September 2021

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| 10:00-11:30
(CET) | Civil society voices and local communities in transboundary water cooperation
Registration link: https://bit.ly/3BgyYKP |
| 14:00-15:30
(CET) | Women, Water and Peace
Registration link: https://bit.ly/3rGFW8q |
| 16:00-17:30
(CET) | Accelerating the development of bankable projects for climate change adaptation in transboundary basins
Registration link: https://bit.ly/2V5tsL6 |



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
- 16:00 - 18:00** **General segment**
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



Friday, 1 October 2021

10:00 – 10:20	Item 12. Identifying, assessing and communicating the benefits of transboundary Cooperation
10:20 – 11:00	Item 13. Adapting to climate change in transboundary basins
11:00 – 11:15	Item 14. Water and industrial accidents
11:15 – 11:25	Item 15. Formalizing the procedure for proposing to host future sessions of the Meeting of the Parties
11:25 – 11:35	Item 16. Date and venue of the tenth session of the Meeting of the Parties
11:35 – 11:50	Item 17. International Water Assessment Centre
11:50 – 12:15	Item 11. Financing of the Convention
12:15 – 13:00	Item 18. Programme of work for 2022–2024, terms of reference of the bodies established to implement it and resources needed for its implementation
13:00 – 15:00	Lunch break
15:00 – 15:40	Item 19. Promotion and partnerships
15:40 – 16:05	Item 20. Election of officers
16:05 – 16:10	Item 21. Other business
16:10 – 16:40	Item 22. Presentation of the main decisions
16:40 – 17:00	Item 23. Closing of the session

Registration

Registration is required via the following link: 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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