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UfM work on water and climate



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Recent UfM work on Water/climate

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3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WATER AND CLIMATE المؤتمر الدولي الثالث للماء والمناخ
 تدبير الموارد المائية على مستوى الحوض المائي: بفتح التكيف وتحقيق أهداف التنمية المستدامة
 Basin management, key to adaptation and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals



Jeudi 6 Juillet

8:30	Accueil et remise des badges
10:00	Cérémonie officielle d'ouverture
11:00	Panel ministériel : quels engagements pour la gestion des ressources en eau à l'échelle des bassins pour accélérer l'adaptation aux changements climatiques et l'atteinte des ODD?
12:30	Déjeuner
14:00	Session 1: Innovation et technologies pour l'économie de l'eau
15:45	Pause café
16:15	Session 2: Gestion des eaux souterraines: enjeux et perspectives

Vendredi 7 Juillet

9:00	Session 3: Gouvernance de l'eau : pour une meilleure cohérence intersectorielle
10:45	Pause café
11:15	Session 4: Mobilisation des ressources en eau : quelle prise en compte du coût réel de l'eau ?
13:00	Déjeuner
14:30	Session 5: Engagements par et pour les bassins: pour la mise en place de l'Agenda de l'Eau 2030
16:15	Pause café
16:45	Cérémonie officielle de clôture



+ 500
participants



Fez declaration

“.....Strengthening the implementation of IWRM at the basin level as a tool for climate change adaptation and the achievement of the SDG, and we call for:

1. ***Strengthen the sharing of best practices*** of IWRM, particularly ***at the basin and territorial levels***;
2. ***Promote and integrate innovation and new technologies*** to enhance better understanding and utilization of water resources, as well as for better cost control in water mobilization;
3. ***Accelerate progress towards achieving the SDGs***, with the aim of ensuring water security;
4. **Place the safeguarding of groundwater resources**, as a common and strategic asset, at the heart of **priority actions at the basin level**;
5. **Improve inter-sectoral management** to establish a real policy coherence, especially between the **water, energy, and food sectors**, and enhance governance of water-related projects;
6. **Preserve and combat water resource pollution**;
7. **Enhance communication and raise awareness** about water issues;
8. **Utilize renewable energies** as green energies in the water production process, whether for drinking water supply or irrigation.

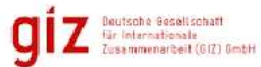
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Side-Event / Morocco Pavilion: The WEF Nexus: Towards a Resilient and Prosperous Future in the Era of Climate Change



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Supporting better water, climate and finance policy frameworks: the Cairo Action Agenda

- 1 Adopt a strategic approach to enable the water-related sectors to contribute effectively and efficiently to addressing the climate emergency
- 2 Make the case for investing in water as part of national climate adaptation and mitigation strategies
- 3 Integrate climate change risk in water investment policies and planning
- 4 Develop a climate-smart portfolio of water projects
- 5 Strengthen your national water finance framework to ensure that the water sector is ready to address the climate emergency
- 6 Mobilise and use climate finance strategically
- 7 Use partner support to identify and implement water finance and investment policy reforms



Overview of UfM work on water

- **Regional Platform on Water**
 - 2nd UfM Ministerial Meeting on Water, 2025 (tbc)
- **Working Group on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)** led by Egypt and Malta
- **Working Group on Water, Energy, Food and Ecosystem Nexus (WEFE)** led by Lebanon
 - Regional WEFE Strategy (with UNEP-MAP and EU)
- **Working Group on Water Finance and Investment (WATFIN)**
 - Annual Conference on Water Finance and Investment (with EU and AfDB) – 2024 topic “WASH Finance”
 - UfM Recommendations on Water Finance
 - Country profiles (good practices, specific recommendations)



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