



## **DGIC (Daegu & Gyeongbuk Implementation Commitment)**

We, Water Actors including governments, intergovernmental organizations, academia, public and private enterprises, major groups and NGOs, assembled in Daegu & Gyeongbuk, Republic of Korea for the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum in April 2015,

Welcoming the anticipated Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on water & sanitation and other water-related targets in the SDGs for the next 15 year period, following the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), to be adopted in September 2015 at the United Nations General Assembly,

Urging stronger connections with other international processes and events in the future, such as the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Financing for Development, the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and CoP21, and increased attention to water within their agendas,

Recognizing the significant progress that the global water community has made since the establishment of World Water Council in 1994, from the 1<sup>st</sup> World Water Forum in Marrakesh to the 6<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum in Marseille,

Having participated as major contributors of water community in the Forum's preparatory processes since the Kick-Off Meeting held in Daegu, Republic of Korea in May 2013,

Having furthered discussions on "Implementation" which is the core aim of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum, designed around a framework of 16 themes which was further developed at the Stakeholders Consultation Meeting in February 2014,

Having constructed the Implementation Roadmaps (IR) for each of the 16 respective themes to be followed for the next 3 years, following numerous discussions inside and outside of the Thematic Process, including an IR workshop in Paris in February 2015,

Welcoming the reference in the Ministerial Declaration of Daegu-Gyeongbuk and supporting the recommendations given and noted by the ministers,

Having developed and launched an "Action Monitoring System" which serves as a platform to follow our actions and efforts toward the 8<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum based on the Implementation Roadmaps and meant to support collective action to create meaningful progress,



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Declare our commitments to Water Security for All, Water for Development and Prosperity, Water for Sustainability, and Constructing Feasible Implementation Mechanisms;

1. We intend to encourage adherence to the water related dimensions of the expected SDGs from Goal 6 to other indirect and directly associated targets and to contribute to achieving them by making progress toward our own theme goals.
2. We shall advance the sustainable management of our water resources and the provision of water services utilizing the outcomes of the 16 themes in the Thematic Process in conjunction with the outcomes of the Regional Process, the Political Process, the Science & Technology Process, and the Citizen's Forum by making continuous efforts to reinforce these linkages.
3. We are determined to execute voluntary actions to achieve our goals and objectives identified in the Implementation Roadmaps and make consistent efforts after the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum towards the 8<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum.
4. We shall plan and actively participate in annual Review Meetings after the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum to monitor our progress during the year and share the lessons learned from the experiences with the global water community through the Action Monitoring System.
5. We shall highlight the significance of water and sanitation related agendas by strengthening communications and networking among interested stakeholders throughout the world and thereby secure expansive support for our progress.

We thank the Government of Republic of Korea, Daegu Metropolitan City, and Gyeongsangbuk-do for their support in the Forum's preparatory activities and expect the DGIC to become valuable milestone for "Water for Our Future."

World Water Council  
President  
**Benedito Braga**

2015 National Committee  
for the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum Korea  
Chairman

**Jung-moo Lee**

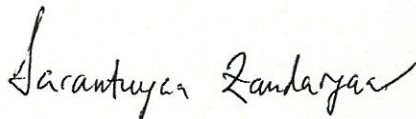
## Annex. Summary of Theme Goals in the Implementation Roadmap

### 1. Water Security for All

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#### 1.1. Enough Safe Water for All

To enhance water security towards ensuring 'enough' 'safe' water for all users and all uses through the dissemination and sharing of knowledge, appropriate technologies, scientific innovation, best practices and policy tools on: improving water quality by reducing all types of pollution and improving wastewater management; augmenting water supplies through both demand management and the use of non-conventional water resources such as safe wastewater reuse, desalination and rainwater harvesting; and expanding access to water services to those lacking access to safe water




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#### 1.2. Integrated Sanitation for All

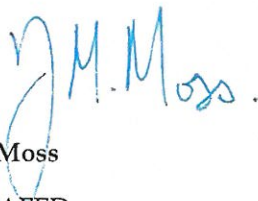
To advocate for the improvement and development of sanitation and wastewater services and management considering the whole sanitation chain: access, evacuation and treatment (for both non-collective systems and for collective systems), reuse and resources recovery



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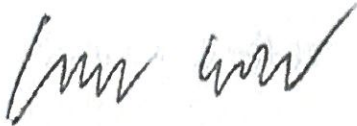
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## 1.3. Adapting to Change: Managing Risk and Uncertainty for Resilience and Disaster Preparedness

To respond to the dynamic, evolving nature of the water cycle and highlight sustainable approaches to water resources management, disaster management, climate adaptation and economic development

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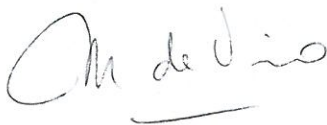
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International Centre for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM)

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## 1.4. Infrastructure for Sustainable Water Resource Management and Services

To strengthen and maintain existing water systems and further develop new water storage infrastructure, and to develop adaptable management strategies for ageing of water infrastructures, especially dam facilities, through sharing and exchanging of knowledge and experiences of both developed and developing countries, eventually to provide all stakeholders of ageing dams how and what to do for securing our life and property against threats by nature such as climate change

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**Emmanuel Grenier**

## 2. Water for Development and Prosperity

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### 2.1. Water for Food

To help encouraging private investments in technologies and management practices that enhance the sustainable production of crops, livestock, and fish by both smallholders and larger scale producers, and address the excessive use and degradation of water resources in key production regions that threaten the sustainability of livelihoods dependent on water and agriculture

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## 2.2. Water and Energy

To deliver water and energy for all while minimizing environmental impact, through enhancing efficiency, improving sustainability and strengthening governance in resource management

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## 2.3. Water and Cities


To provide water security for cities by embracing an integrated city planning agenda for a "regenerative city" which enables to better plan for the healthy, livable, risk-resilient city

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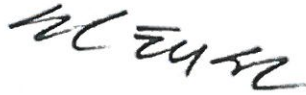
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## 3. Water for Sustainability : Harmonizing Humans and Nature

### 3.1. Green Growth, Water Stewardship and Industry

To ensure coherent policy to enable green growth; foster the long-term engagement of a variety of stakeholders in water management; and recognize economic value of water to avoid business risks and protect ecosystem services



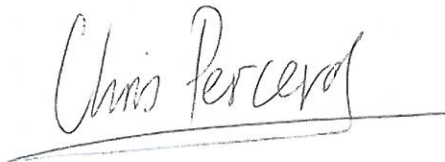
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### 3.2. Managing and Restoring Ecosystems for Water Services and Biodiversity

To slow, stop and reverse the loss of ecosystems, especially wetlands, as a fundamental basis for resilient and successful societies



**Chris Perceval**

Ramsar Convention Secretariat

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### 3.3. Ensuring Water Quality from Ridge to Reef

To improve water quality management in situations where water quality degradation or inappropriate use of water qualities is responsible for reducing the quantity of water available for the various uses it is needed for



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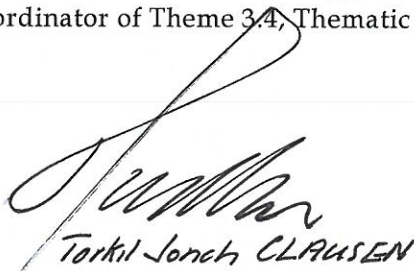
### **3.4. SMART Implementation of IWRM**

To ensure the IWRM approach is applied at all levels throughout the world as a means to achieve water security



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Global Water Partnership (GWP)

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## **4. Constructing Feasible Implementation Mechanisms**

### **4.1. Economics and Financing for Innovative Investments**

To ensure that adequate financial provision is made to achieve the global goal of water security



**Thomas Panella**

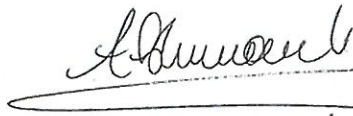
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### **4.2. Effective Governance : Enhanced Political Decisions, Stakeholder Participation and Technical Information**

To guide decision-makers across levels of government to strengthen institutions' capacity in order to reap the economic, social and environmental benefits of good governance; to inform public

debate and actions; and to contribute in facilitating change and reform where and when needed



**Aziza Akhmouch**

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### 4.3. Cooperation for Reducing Conflict and Improving Transboundary Water Management

To provide guidance to decision-makers across all levels of government in different relevant fields (international law, policy, diplomacy, institutional and technical engineering) on how to develop and improve transboundary management in order to reduce conflicts and ensure an optimal use of water resources for socio-economic development



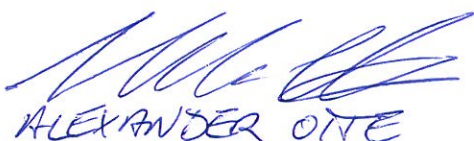
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### 4.4. Water Cultures, Justice and Equity

To create and maintain an implementation network of the design group members and session participants/convenors on water, cultural diversity, justice and equity and raise the awareness among water professionals and decision makers about the intricate but yet often ignored relevance of cultural diversity, justice & equity for water management and development and include these aspects into policies, programmes and practice

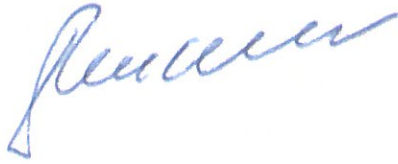


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## 4.5. Enhancing Education and Capacity Building

To provide guidance to decision-makers across all levels of government on how to develop and improve water education, professional training and capacity building

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