Come and join us at the 7th World Water Forum session on OECD's Principles on Water Governance From Vision to Action

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13 April, 11h20-13h20, Room DEC_303, DAEGU – EXCO, Republic of Korea - <u>Session webpage</u>

The context for freshwater management has radically changed in the last two decades. Increasing competing demand, driven by economic, demographic, climate and regional development trends force governments to do better, for more people, with less money. The 6th World Water Forum (Marseille, 2012) acknowledged "effective governance" as a critical condition for success to meeting the water reform challenge worldwide. The 7th World Water Forum calls upon concrete implementation tools and guidance to make this happen.

Coping with current and future water challenges requires robust public policies, targeting measurable objectives in pre-determined time-schedules, at the appropriate scale, with clear assignment of duties across responsible authorities and regular monitoring and evaluation. This is why the OECD has developed 12 Principles on Water Governance as a tangible means to guide public action towards better water policies for better lives. This undertaking was based on a bottom-up, multi-stakeholder and inclusive approach since the creation of the Water Governance Initiative 2 years ago.

The session will provide a platform to discuss the OECD's Principles on Water Governance. It will shape an Action Plan to support the implementation of the Principles up to the 8th World Water Forum (Brasilia, 2018).

<u>11h20-11h35</u>: *Keynote Speech* by **Angel Gurría**, Secretary General, OECD

<u>11h35-12h15</u>: A High-level Perspective on OECD's Principles to Water Governance Moderated by **Peter Glas**, Chair, OECD Water Governance Initiative

- Jeong Yeon-man, Vice-Minister of Environment Korea
- Jean-Louis Chaussade, CEO of Suez Environnement
- Lesha Witmer, Coordinator and steering committee member of the "Butterfly Effect" NGO coalition
- Francisco Nunes Correia, Professor, Minister of Environment of Portugal (2005-2009)
- Célia Blauel, President of Eau de Paris; Deputy-Mayor of Paris
- Marta Moren Abat, European Commission, DG ENV
- Joppe Cramwinckel, Water Director, World Business Council on Sustainable Development

12:15: Release of the Daegu multi-stakeholder Declaration on the OECD Principles on Water Governance

<u>12:20-13h10</u>: *Parallel Roundtables to Take the Principles Forward : Towards an Implementation Action Plan* Chaired by **Rolf Alter**, Director for Public Governance and Territorial Development, OECD

- Multi-level governance moderated by Sasha Koo-Oshima, US EPA
- Managing water(s) at the appropriate scale(s) moderated by Daniel Valensuela, OIEau
- Policy Coherence moderated by Emmanuel Branche, EDF
- Capacity moderated by Chris Seijger, Deltares
- Data and Information moderated by Donal O'Leary, Transparency International
- Governance-Financing nexus moderated by Anthi Brouma, GWP-Mediterranean
- Regulatory Frameworks moderated by Jaime Melo Baptista, ERSAR, Portugal
- Governance and innovation moderated by Pierre-Alain Roche, ASTEE
- Integrity and transparency moderated by Teun Bastemeijer, WIN
- Stakeholder Engagement moderated by Joannie Leclerc, Suez Environnement
- Equity across users, people and places moderated by Aziza Akhmouch, OECD
- Monitoring and evaluation moderated by Hakan Tropp, SIWI

13h10-13h20: Conclusion and next steps

Link to other sessions of the OECD Water Governance Initiative at the 7th World Water Forum For more information: Aziza.Akhmouch@oecd.org