







Transboundary Water Cooperation Seminar Strasbourg, France, 11 December 2013

Draft program

Wednesday 11th of December

09:15 Welcome coffee and registration

Time slot	Session	Speakers	Venue
10:15 - 10:30	Welcoming remarks	Mr. Janez Potocnik, European Commissioner for the Environment (tbc) Dr. Richard Seeber, President of the European Parliament Water Group Pr. Benedito Braga, President of the World Water Council	Council of Europe
10:30 - 11:30	Plenary Session 1: The Itaipu dam - Sharing the flows for energy	Mr. Jean-François Donzier, Permanent Technical Secretary of INBO (tbc) Mr. Francisco Pedro Domaniczky Lanik Executive Coordination Director, Itaipu Binacional Paraguay (tbc) Mr. Nelton Miguel Friedrich, Coordination Director, Itaipu Binacional Brasil	Council of Europe
11:30 - 12:30	Plenary Session 2: The Mekong river, from a peace process to a nexus approach	H.E. Vichet Kasemthongsri, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of Thailand H.E. Nguyen Minh Quang, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of Vietnam (tbc) Ms. Patricia Wouters, University of Dundee, UNESCO Centre for Water Law, Policy and Science Dr. Torkil Jønch Clausen, DHI	Council of Europe

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch					
14:00 – 15:00	Plenary Session 3: Achievements of the European Water Framework Directive	Mr. Paul Michelet, General Director of the Agence de l'Eau Rhin-Meuse Representative of the International Meuse Commission (tbc) Representative of the Ministry of Rural Development of Hungary (tbc) Ms. Karin Krchnak, World Wildlife Fund (tbc) Mr. Andras Szöllösi-Nagy, UNESCO-IHE	Council of Europe		
15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break					
15:30 – 16:30	Plenary Session 4: Transboundary groundwater cooperation	H.E. Mohamed Ben Salem, Minister of Agriculture of Tunisia (tbc) Mr. Shammy Puri, Secretary General International Association of hydrogeologists (tbc) Mr Bosko Kenjic, Head of Water Resources Department, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of Bosnia and Herzegovina (tbc)	Council of Europe		
16:30 – 17:30	Plenary session 5: What outcomes for transboundary water cooperation?	Mr. Jerome Delli Priscoli, US Army Corps Mr. Nicholas Bonvoisin, Secretary of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe	Council of Europe		
17:30 - 17:50	Closing plenary: Outcomes	Mr. Guy Fradin, President of the Agence de l'Eau Rhin-Meuse Ms. Sophie Auconie, Member of the European Parliament	Council of Europe		