



# 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum 2015

April 12-17, 2015, Daegu & Gyeongbuk, Rep.of Korea

## [Thematic Process] Session Proposal Form

To apply for a Thematic Process session of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum 2015, please complete this form and return it by e-mail no later than **September 20, 2014**.

All fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory

### 1. Session

#### Reference theme\*

(Multiple selection is possible, in case of the joint session with other themes)

- 1.1. Enough Safe Water for All
- 1.2. Integrated Sanitation for All
- 1.3. Adapting to Change : Managing Risk and Uncertainty for Resilience and Disaster Preparedness
- 1.4. Infrastructure for Sustainable Water Resource

- 2.1. Water for Food
- 2.2. Water and Energy
- 2.3. Water and Cities

- 3.1. Green Growth, Water Stewardship and Industry
- 3.2. Managing and Restoring Ecosystems for Water Services and Biodiversity
- 3.3. Ensuring Water Quality from Ridge to Reef
- 3.4. SMART Implementation of IWRM

- 4.1. Economics and Financing for Innovative Investments
- 4.2. Effective Governance : Enhanced Political Decisions, Stakeholder Participation and Technical Information
- 4.3. Cooperation for Reducing Conflict and Improving Transboundary Water Management
- 4.4. Water Cultures, Justice and Equity
- 4.5. Enhancing Education and Capacity Building

<b>Session type*</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Concluding Session (Design Group only) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Issue Session (Session Group)
<b>Joint Session with different processes</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Regional Process (please specify: _____ ) <input type="checkbox"/> Political Process (please specify: _____ ) <input type="checkbox"/> Science and Technology Process (please specify: _____ )

**Session title\*** (please kindly use media-friendly language)

#### International water law and basin-level agreements

**Session description\*** (180 words, please kindly use media-friendly language)

Sound legal frameworks at the global, regional and basin level are essential for stable and reliable cooperation and for preventing conflicts in shared basins. The majority of watercourses, however, and even more transboundary aquifers, still lack adequate legal frameworks.

The past two years have brought major developments in this regard. Two global legal frameworks are now in place to foster cooperation: the 1997 UN Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses (UN Watercourses Convention), which reached in 2014 the required ratifications threshold to enter into force in 2014, and the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes (UNECE Water Convention or Helsinki Convention), which has been opened for accession worldwide. The session will celebrate these major steps forward in international water law and discuss how the two global treaties can be implemented in an effective, coherent and mutually supportive way.

In addition, cooperation examples from transboundary basins will illustrate how the legal frameworks help countries to create adequate river basin governance structures, assist in establishing new and in improving existing agreements, prevent conflicts and address other challenges such as balancing multiple water uses or climate change adaptation.





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### 3. Session Format/Logistics

**Expected number of Participants(room size)<sup>1)</sup> \***

Less than 50pax    50~100pax    100~150pax    150~200pax    More than 200pax (                      pax)

**Preferred Room Type<sup>2)</sup> \***

Theater Type    Classroom Type    Roundtable Type    Other(                      )

**Use of Translation English–Korean(FREE of charge)<sup>3)</sup> \***

Yes    No

**Use of Translation for other languages(charged service)<sup>3)</sup> \***

Yes  French    Spanish    Arabic    Chinese    Russian    Other(Please indicate language(s)                      )  
 No

1)The room size is subject to changes.

2)The room type is subject to changes.

3)The 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum Secretariat provides a simultaneous translation in English-Korean only. Please note that the use of translation service for other languages will be charged to the session convenors. The guidelines for the extra services for translation including the price and other details will be announced shortly.

- All rooms will be equipped with 1 computer, 1 video projector, 1 screen, 2 microphones and 1 staff.
- Additional equipments or services(furniture, catering service, additional staff, etc.) will be charged to the session convenors. The guidelines for the extra equipment and catering services including the price and other details list will be announced shortly.
- **Please complete this form and return it by e-mail no later than 20 September 2014.**

(Contact information is different depending on themes. Please refer to the contact information on the bottom of the page)

**I agree with the terms and conditions as stated in this form on behalf of this group.**

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