

**DRAFT PROGRAMME FOR HIGH LEVEL INTERACTIVE
DIALOGUE ON WATER - INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR
ACTION “WATER FOR LIFE: 2005-2015”**

22 March 2010, Trusteeship Council Chamber.

- 09h00-09h20 Opening Session
H.E. Ali Abdussalam Treki, President of the General Assembly.
H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General.
H.E. Akil Ghaibullayevich Akilov, Prime Minister of Tajikistan.
- 10h00-10h15 15 min. Video link to the celebrations on World Water Day in Nairobi (Executive Director of UNEP, Achim Steiner, and His Royal Highness, Prince Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands.)
- 10h15-10h45 Panel I: Water and Millennium Development Goals
Moderator: H.E. Jan Eliasson, President of the 60th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sweden.**
- Panelists:
H.E. Ms. Buyelwa Patience Sonjica, Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs, South Africa, Chair of the African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW).
H.E. Ambassador Mohamed Mijarul Quayes, Foreign Secretary of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh.
Richard A. Grainier, CEO Hestiun Environment.
- 10h45-11h30 Discussion

- 11h35-12h15 **Panel II: Water, climate change and disasters**
Moderator: H.E. Luege Tamargo, Head of the Water Comission, Former Minister of Environment and Natural Resources of Mexico. (TBC)
- Panelists:
H.E. Abdelkebir Zahoud, State Secretary for Water and Environment, Ministry of Energy, Mines, Water and Environment of Morocco.
Mr. Salvano Briceño, Director, United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR), Geneva.
Barbara Frost, Executive Director of WaterAid, United Kingdom.
- 12h15-13h00 Discussion
- 15h00-15h45 **Panel III: Water and peace and security**
Moderator: H.E. Dr. Mahmoud ABU-ZEID, President of Arab Water Council and Former Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation of Egypt.
- Panelists:
H.E. Mr. Joao Gomes Cravinho, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Portugal.
Mr. Olcay Unver, Coordinator - UN-Water's World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP) (UNESCO).
Mr. Jan Kubis, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and Coordinator of the Regional Commissions.
- 15h45-16h30 Discussion
- 17h00 Closing Session
- 18h15 Opening ceremony for the Photographic Exhibition hosted by the Permanent Mission of Tajikistan to the United Nations and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs and UN-Water.