High Level Interactive Dialogue The International Decade for Action, 'WATER FOR LIFE': Progress achieved and lessons learned for sustainable development

30 March 2015, UN Headquarters –Trusteeship Council

Provisional Programme

Opening segment: 9:30 -10:00 am

- H.E. Mr. Sam K. Kutesa, President of the General Assembly
- H.E. Mr. Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
- H. E. Mr. Perry Gladstone Christie, Prime Minister of The Commonwealth of the Bahamas
- H.E. Mr. Sirodjidin Aslov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Tajikistan

Morning Session: 10:00 – 12:30 pm: Comprehensive Review of 'Water for Life' Decade

Chair: **H.E. Ms. Katalin Annamária Bogyay**, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the United Nations

What progress has been achieved during the Decade and what challenges persist?

Keynote Speaker:

Mr. Michel Jarraud, Chair of UN-Water and Secretary-General of WMO

Panellists:

- Mr. Leo Heller, Special Rapporteur on the Human Right to Water and Sanitation
- Mr. Bai Mass Taal, Executive Director of African Ministers' Council on Water
- Ms. Sarina Prabasi, CEO, Water Aid America

Interventions by Member States and stakeholders

Afternoon Session: 3:00 – 6:00 pm: Carrying the lessons learned from the Decade into the Post-2015 Development Agenda

Chair: H.E. Mr. Virachai Plasai, Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations

Panellists

- What are the good practices for sustainable and integrated water management?
 - H.E Ms. Nguyen Phuong Nga, Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations
 - **Dr. Letitia A Obeng,** Board Member, International Water Management Institute (IMWI)
 - **H.E. Mr. Gustavo Meza-Cuadra**, Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations
 - Mr. Anders Berntell, Executive Director, 2030 Water Resources Group

Moderator: **Ndey-Isatou Njie**, Chief of the Water, Energy and Capacity Development Branch, Division for Sustainable Development, DESA

Interactive discussion

- What are the good practices with regards to means of implementation and partnerships?
 - Ms. Alice Bouman-Dentener, Vice-Chair, Global Water Partnership
 - Mr. Jack Moss, Executive Director, AquaFed, International Federation of Private Water Operators
 - Mr. Daniel Bena, Head of Global Sustainable Development & Operations Outreach, Pepsico
 - Ms. Blanca Jimenez Cisneros, Director of the Division of Water Sciences, UNESCO

Moderator: Josefina Maestu, Director of UN Water Decade Programme on Advocacy and Communication

Interactive discussion