

9th Meeting of the OECD Water Governance Initiative

AGENDA

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About the OECD Water Governance Initiative

The [OECD Water Governance Initiative](#) (WGI) is an **international multi-stakeholder network** of 100+ delegates from public, private and not-for-profit sectors gathering twice a year in a **Policy Forum** to share experience on reforms, projects, lessons and good practices in support of better governance in the water sector.

The WGI, which was created in March 2013, has the following objectives over 2016-2018:

- Provide a **multi-stakeholder platform** to share knowledge, experience and best practices on water governance across levels of government;
- **Advise governments** in taking the needed steps for effective water reforms through peer-to-peer dialogue and stakeholder engagement across public, private and non-profit sectors;
- Provide a **consultation mechanism** to raise the profile of governance in the Global Water Agenda;
- Support the **implementation of the OECD Principles on Water Governance** in interested member and non-member countries by scaling up best practices and contributing to the development of indicators; and
- **Foster continuity** on governance between two World Water Forums through supporting the Governance Implementation Roadmap of the 7th World Water Forum (Korea, 2015) up to the 8th Forum (Brasilia, 2018).

Objectives of the 9th WGI Meeting

- Discuss **Global Agendas'** progress, including SDGs, Paris Agreement, Habitat III and the 8th World Water Forum
- Carry out a 2nd consultation on **water governance indicators** building on lessons from the 12 pilot-tests
- **Peer-review analytical** work on water governance in Brazil and climate change adaptation in selected LAC basins.
- Discuss highlights from the 60+ **water governance stories** collected on the OECD Principles on Water Governance
- **Share knowledge and experience** on water governance reforms, research and recent events
- Zoom on the case of **water governance in France** and the impact of recent territorial and other policy reforms.

Previous meetings of the WGI

- [8th Meeting](#): 12-13 January 2017 - Rabat
- [7th Meeting](#): 23-24 June 2016 - The Hague
- [6th Meeting](#): 2-3 November 2015 – Paris.
- [5th Meeting](#): 26 May 2015 – Edinburgh.
- [4th Meeting](#): 24-25 November 2014 – Paris.
- [3rd Meeting](#): 28-29 April 2014 – Madrid.
- [2nd Meeting](#): 7-8 November 2013 – Paris.
- [1st Meeting](#): 27-28 March 2013 – Paris.

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08:30 - 9:00 Registration & coffee networking

9:00 – 9:15 Welcoming Remarks by M. Peter Glas, Chair of OECD-WGI

9:15 – 10:15 Global Water Agenda

Delegates will discuss how the WGI can contribute to recent international water developments. Short introductions from the lead institutions (5-6 min each) will set the scene for group discussion

- Progress on the monitoring of SDG 6 [Water and Sanitation for all], UN-Water & WHO
- Follow-up to COP21 & COP22 Outcomes
- Preparatory process of the 8th World Water Forum (March 2018, Brasilia), WWC & ANA
- Group discussion

10:15 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:45 OECD Water Governance Indicators

Delegates will discuss the revised indicator framework proposed as a tool for dialogue to support the implementation of the *OECD Principles on Water Governance*, building on comments received at the 8th WGI meeting (January) and lessons learned from the 12 pilot-tests (May).

- Presentation of the revised indicator framework, OECD (20 min)
- Highlights from selected pilot-testers (20 min)
- Group discussion & next steps (1h)
- Remarks by Working Group Coordinators & next steps (20 min)

12:45 – 14:15 Buffet Lunch (Atrium area)

14:15 – 15:30 Sharing knowledge on water governance reforms, events and research

- Revitalising IWRM for the 2030 Agenda
 - Key messages by the World Water Council IWRM Taskforce (5 min)
 - Group discussion and feedback on the supporting document (25 min)
- Key water governance messages from: (5 min each)
 - Recent research:
 - Governance of water infrastructure in Chile, OECD
 - Manual on water governance in humanitarian contexts, ACF
 - Multi-level governance as institutional layers: revisiting water services regulation, Paris Univ.
 - Latest events:
 - 4th Istanbul International Water Forum, Turkish Water Institute
 - Water Economics Forum, IMDEA
 - XVI World Water Congress, IWRA
 - On-going projects and policy developments
 - Recent development in water governance and regulation in Israel, Ministry of Economy of Israel
 - Contributing to policy coherence through groundwater governance, IUCN
 - Governance & Financing in MENA water sector, GWP-Med

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 - 18:00 Water Governance in France

The session will discuss the policy implications of recent territorial and environmental reforms in France on the governance of water resources and services, and invite delegates to share their good practices.

- Scene Setting: Pierre-Alain Roche, Ministry of Environmental & Inclusive Transition, France (15 min)
- Panel 1: Fostering policy coherence at the appropriate scale for water resources management (45 min)
 - François Mitteault, Ministry for Environmental and Inclusive Transition

- Catherine Gremillet, French association of EPTB
- Bernard Rousseau, National Water Council / Environmental NGO representative
- Didier Marteau, French Agricultural Councils
- Thierry Burlot, Bretagne Region
- Q&A (15 min)
- **Panel 2: Addressing territorial fragmentation and implications of recent reforms for water services (40 min)**
 - Philippe Marest, Nantes-Métropole
 - Maximilien Pellegrini, Suez
 - Michel Desmars, FNCCR
 - Adrien Tchang-Minh, Consumer association
- Discussant: Bernard Barraqué, CNRS (5 min)
- Q&A & conclusion (25 min)

18:00 – 19:30 Cocktail (Room Georges Marshall)

Tuesday 4 July 2017
OECD Conference Centre – Room CC12

9:30 – 11:15 OECD-Brazil Policy Dialogue

Delegates will peer-review the draft assessment and recommendations from the OECD/Brazil Policy Dialogue on Setting and Governing Economic Instruments for Water Resources Management.

- Key highlights from the synthesis of the report, OECD (15 min)
- Insights from peer-reviewers of UK, Portugal, Spain (15 min)
- Remarks by the National Water Agency of Brazil (10 min)
- Group discussion (50 min)
- Next steps (10 min)

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee Break

11h45 – 12:50 ECOCUENCAS Project – Climate Change Adaptation in Latin America Basins

Delegates will peer-review the draft findings and recommendations of the OIEAU-led EcoCuencas project looking at the role of economic and governance instruments in strengthening the climate change adaptation capacity of three basins in Peru, Ecuador and Brazil.

- Key highlights from the draft report, OIEAU (15 min)
- Remarks by the PCJ Basin Agency, Brazil (10 min)
- Group discussion (40 min)

12:50 – 13:00 Remarks by Ms. Lamia Kamal-Chaoui

Director of OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Local Development and Tourism

13:00 – 14:30 Buffet Lunch (Room Roger Ockrent)

14:30 – 16:10 Working Groups parallel meetings

- Indicators Working Group : fine-tuning of the indicator framework
- Best Practices Working Group: peer-review of collected practices

16:00 – 16:30 Working Group report back to plenary

Concluding remarks & next steps

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