





OUTCOMES OF

the 2nd High-level International Conference on the International Decade for Action "Water for Sustainable Development", 2018-2028 "Catalyzing water action and partnership at the local, national, regional and global levels" 6-9 June 2022, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

and

the Road to the UN 2023 Water Conference

Mr. Sulton Rahimzoda – Special Envoy of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan to the High-Level Panel on Water and Climate, Chairman of the Executive Committee of IFAS







The 2nd Dushanbe Water Decade Conference - a key preparatory event for the United Nations 2023 Water Conference.

Co-Chairs



H.E. Mr. Qohir Rasulzoda,

Prime Minister of the Republic of

Tajikistan



H.E. Mr. Liu Zhenmin, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Key objectives

- Sharing progress and constraints in the implementation of the goals and objectives of the Water Action Decade, to catalase, galvanize and accelerate new pledges, actions and partnerships.
- Review the implementation of the Water Action Decade and progress made towards implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 6 and other water-related goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda.

The UN GA Resolution A/RES/75/212 calls on the offer of the Government of Tajikistan to use the high-level international conference in 2022 in Dushanbe as a platform to support an effective preparation for the midterm comprehensive review and ensure linkages with other water-related meetings that may serve to provide input for the preparatory process of the midterm Conference, e.g. high-level symposium on water during the UN Ocean Conference, Bonn Water Dialogue for Results, Asia-Pacific Water Summit and the ninth World Water Forum.



Participation

2500 offline and 500 online participants from 175 countries

Official delegations from 75 countries

Around 600 NGOs, Privat sectors, academic institutions, youth organizations and others

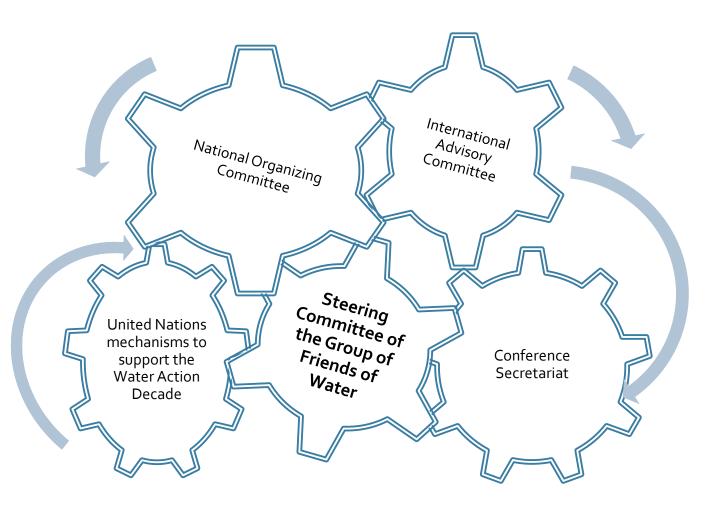
30 delegations of United Nations entities

Around 100

International Financial Institutions
International Governmental Organizations
Regional Organizations
Basin Organizations

DUSHANBE WATER PROCESS

Dushanbe Water Process



International Advisory Committee

Members: around 30 eminent experts

Co-chairs: Tajikistan and the

World Bank

To support preparation and convening of the Dushanbe conferences through development of the program and draft outcome documents as well as Decade implementation process

To facilitate the involvement of stakeholders in the Dushanbe conferences and other Decade events through raising awareness and other campaigns

Other activities aimed at achieving the goals of the Decade and Dushanbe Process

Five Conference Forums

Conference's opening and closing ceremonies

High level plenary sessions

Twelve thematic and Interactive Panels

Eleven side-events on different aspects of the water issues



#RUNBLUE Global Water Marathon



Excursions



Dushanbe Water Festival



Exhibition

Conference Forums

Five forums were convened the first day of the conference, right before the opening. Major groups exchanged views, made suggestions, identified challenges and possible solutions on various water-related issues and topics at global, country and local levels

Regional Forum on Water Cooperation in Central Asia

Youth and Children's Water Forum

Women Water Forum

Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities Forum

Forum on Water and Mountains



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WORLD WATER





4th Asia-Pacific Water Summit Kumamoto Japan 2022

2nd Dushanbe Water Decade Conference







Final Declaration "From Dushanbe 2022 to New York 2023"

- Conference Final Declaration "From Dushanbe 2022 to New York 2023" has been prepared through comprehensive consultation with UN member-states, international and regional organizations and other stakeholders including women and youth.
- Dushanbe Declaration identified concrete actions to achieve the goals of the Water Action Decade, as well as Key Messages to the UN 2023 Water Conference;
- Development of the Water Action Agenda, the Global Water and Climate Information Services, National Water Roadmaps towards 2030, "Water and Climate Youth Development Plan Agenda", as well as the proposal of an International Year of Glaciers Preservation, 2025 are among many new initiatives and actions to support achieving SDG6 and other water related goals and targets included in the Dushanbe Declaration.



- Date and venue: 22-24 March 2023, New York, UN Headquarters
- <u>Theme:</u> "Midterm Comprehensive Review of the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Decade for Action, "Water for Sustainable Development", 2018–2028"
- <u>Key objective</u>: Support to achieve the internationally agreed water-related goals and targets, including those contained in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- Presidents of the Conference: Governments of Tajikistan and the Netherlands
- <u>Secretary-General of the Conference:</u> Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations
- <u>Preparatory meeting:</u> a one-day preparatory meeting, by November 2022, New York, UN Headquarters, stakeholders are welcome as observers
- <u>Website:</u> <u>United Nations 2023 Water Conference | Department of Economic and Social Affairs</u>



Core Group:

Tajikistan, the Netherlands – Co-chairs,

UN DESA and UN Water – Secretariat

Developed document:

- Concept Note;
- Vision Statement (document and visual);
- Road Map (graphic and table);
- Stakeholder Engagement Plan and Strategy.

Progress to date:

- Bonn Conference (July 2021)
- Group of Friends on Water Meeting (Oct 2021)
- COP26 Water Pavilion (Nov 2021)
- Dushanbe Workshop (Feb 2022)
- World Water Forum Senegal (March 2022)
- UN Water Briefing (April 2022)
- Member State Briefing (April 2022)
- IAC meetings for the Dushanbe Conference (2020, 2021, 2022)
- Meetings, events, more to come (APWS, Oceans, HLPF, UNGA, Cairo Water Week, COP27, PGA event, ...)
- Dushanbe Conference June 2022



VISION STATEMENT UN 2023 WATER CONFERENCE





The Conference Program

- > Plenaries
 - 6 Plenaries
 - Member States have a space to make their statements
 - Relevant stakeholders can be accredited to be observers (through special accreditation process to be started soon)

> Interactive Dialogues

- 5 Dialogues
- Member States and stakeholders are consulted on the Themes for the Interactive Dialogues
- <u>United Nations 2023 Water Conference | Department of Economic and Social Affairs</u>

Special Events

• Co-hosts decided to strive to organize 3-5 Special Events, scope: 50-200 people

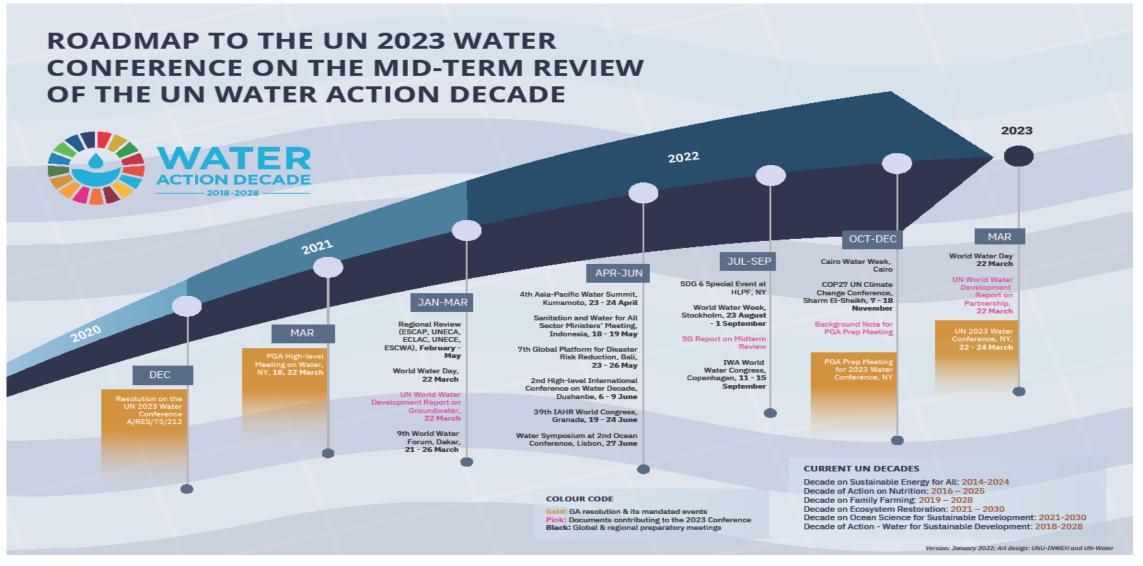
Side Events

• Member States and other stakeholders will organize many side events that are cross-cutting and aim for action

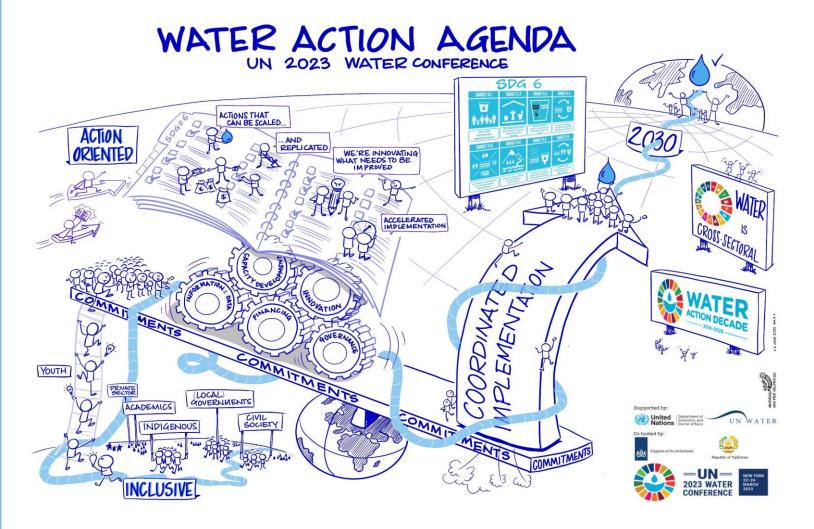
> Cultural elements and more

Marathons, exhibitions, action zones; the sky is the limit









The Conference will help set the agenda until 2030, and thereafter, in two ways:

- Deliver a summary of the Conference proceedings
- Present a set of voluntary commitments in a Water Action Agenda to get the world back on track:
 - Scale up and replicate what works
 - Discontinue or change what does not work
 - Innovate what needs to be improved
 - Fund what merits funding
- Roadmap towards 2028 (Decade) and 2030 (SDGs)
- Commitments can come through coalitions and partnerships across all of society









THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!