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

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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.
2nd DUSHANBE WATER DECADE CONFERENCE

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

Source: MFA Tajikistan
DUSHANBE WATER PROCESS

**Dushanbe Water Process**

- National Organizing Committee
- International Advisory Committee
- United Nations mechanisms to support the Water Action Decade
- Steering Committee of the Group of Friends of Water
- Conference Secretariat

**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
2nd DUSHANBE WATER DECADE CONFERENCE

- 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

Program

#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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Outcome Documents of the Conference

Co-Chairs’ Summary

Final Declaration “From Dushanbe 2022 to New York 2023”

Call for Action and Partnership
UN 2023 WATER CONFERENCE

Plenaries
• 6 Plenaries
• Member States have a space to announce their commitments, plans, actions and best practices
• Relevant stakeholders can be accredited to be observers (through special accreditation process)

Interactive Dialogues
• 5 Dialogues

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
THEMES FOR THE INTERACTIVE DIALOGUES

➢ **Water for Health:** Access to WASH, including the Human Rights to Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation (SDG 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and SDGs 1, 3, 4, 5, 17);

➢ **Water for Sustainable Development:** Valuing Water, Water-Energy Food Nexus and Sustainable Economic and Urban Development (SDG 6.3, 6.4, 6.5 and SDGs 2, 8, 9, 11, 12);

➢ **Water for Climate, Resilience and Environment:** Source to Sea, Biodiversity, Climate, Resilience and DRR (SDGs 6.5, 6.6, 7, 11.5, 13, 14, 15);

➢ **Water for Cooperation:** Transboundary and International Water Cooperation, Cross Sectoral Cooperation, including Scientific Cooperation, and Water Across the 2030 Agenda (SDG 6.5, 6.b and SDGs 16, 17);

➢ **Water Action Decade:** Accelerating the implementation of the objectives of the Decade, including through the UN Secretary General’s Action Plan
Water Action Agenda

a transformative voluntary mechanism of the UN 2023 Water Conference launched in the 2nd Dushanbe Water Decade Conference held on 6-9 June 2022

- We need clear commitments, pledges and actions.

- Existing and future challenges in the field of water require innovative and transformative ideas and a “beyond business as usual” approach

- The WAA will support all stakeholders across different sectors, to develop and implement voluntary commitments to further strengthen the global water agenda and provide a mechanism to organize and track the progress of such commitments

- The platform to register commitments is live now: Water Action Agenda | Sustainable Development (un.org) Register your commitment now!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!