

5th WORLD WATER FORUM
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DIVIDES
FOR WATER



The Voice of Water

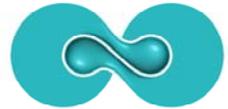
European Regional Process

European Regional Process fifth World Water Forum

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European Water Partnership



Fifth World Water Forum

- Major worldwide events on Water
- All stakeholders: politics, business and ngo's
- 16-22 March 2009, Istanbul: over 20 000 people expected to attend to find sustainable solutions for the current water challenges
- **“Bridging Divides for Water”**

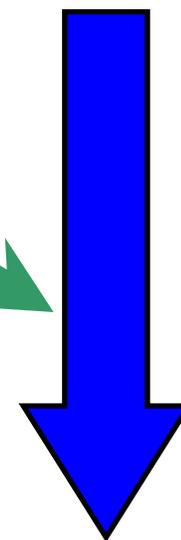


Three Processes

**Thematic
Process**

**Regional
Process**

**Political
Process**



Regional Document

**Thematic
sessions**

Regional Session

**Ministerial
Agenda**

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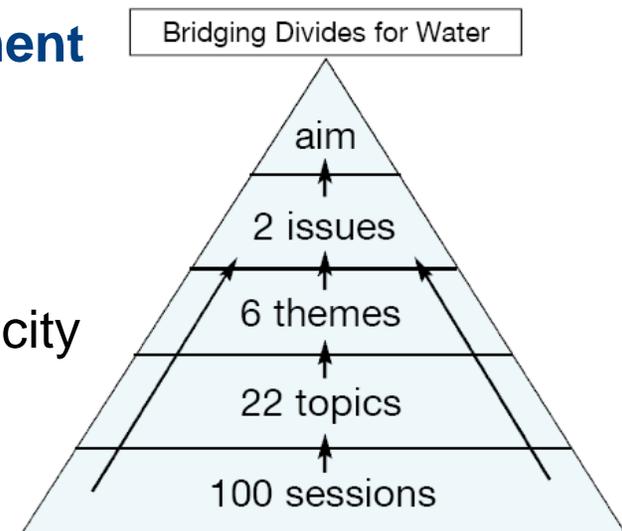
Themes World Water Forum

Providing Water for Sustainable Development

- Global Changes and Risk Management
- Advancing Human Development and the MDG's
- Managing and Protecting Water Resources and their Supply Systems

Enabling Mechanisms for Development

- Governance and Management
- Finance
- Education, Knowledge and Capacity Building



European Regional Process (ERP)

Goals:

- **Developing themes** in a regional context, follow up on themes fourth World Water Forum
- Delivering **input in the Thematic and Political Processes**
- Bringing together an inclusive **European consortium** to prepare the European input, including business
- Connecting **European Politicians** to the Forum.
- Organising the **European session**

ERP - Themes



- 27 February – Identification major European issues and coordinators
 - ◆ Future of Water in Europe – European Water Vision
 - ◆ Climate Change and Adaptation
 - ◆ Water for Energy, Energy for Water
 - ◆ Basin Management and Transboundary Cooperation
 - ◆ Finance
 - ◆ Sanitation
 - ◆ Water Scarcity and Droughts
 - ◆ Water Science and Technologies

- Themes are not the same as the themes of the Thematic Process of the Forum, but linked on either Thematic or Topic level

Regional thematic consortia

- **For each of the themes a thematic consortium has been set up**
 - ◆ Present current status, challenges and recommendations to address these challenges in a chapter in the Regional Document
 - ◆ Focus on best practices and lessons learned
 - ◆ Key messages and political resolutions
 - ◆ Focusing discussions in Europe, bringing together initiatives and stakeholders
- **Outputs Regional Process**
 - ◆ European Regional Document
 - ◆ European Regional Session
 - ◆ Input in Thematic Sessions
 - ◆ Input in Ministerial Agenda



Thank you for your attention

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