

[SS-TP-08] Thematic Closing Session on CLIMATE

March 22, 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM, Room 30

THEME - CLIMATE

KEY QUESTIONS

- What are the key outcome messages from the Climate Thematic Sessions?
- Where do we expect to be in 3 years (9th Forum in Senegal), and in 2030?
- What are the steps forward and key actors to be engaged?
- What are the commitments/partnerships to get there?

SESSION DESCRIPTION

The Theme Climate will be holding 12 ordinary sessions during the 8th Forum week. The Theme is also going to be discussed in Ministerial Thematic Roundtables, a number of Special Sessions, High Level Panels and other Forum process sessions. The sessions focus on water security and climate change and on linkages to the 2030 Agenda/SDGs 6, 13, and 11, The Paris Agreement on Climate Change, and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction. The Thematic Closing Session will bring the highlights of the debates together and come up with a list of recommendations for action to be implemented in the short and long term, as well as potential actors to be involved, and this way contribute to the Thematic outcomes document, with the following content:

- a. Key political messages
- b. Linkages to international frameworks and how these messages can be taken into account
- c. Current state of affairs of the theme
- d. Short-term Goals (where do we need to be in 2021 and 2024?)
- e. Long-term Goals (where do we need to be in 2030?)
- f. How do we get there? (plan for scaling up, including good practices)

The final purpose of the Climate Closing Session is to contribute to the outcomes of the 8th Forum in support of the implementation of multiple international frameworks, and to ensure continuity towards the Forums to come.

CONFIRMED CONVENING ORGANIZATION(S) AND CONTACT INFORMATION

(TCG members involved with the organization of the session)

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SESSION OUTLINE AND TIME ALLOCATION

Introduction: Daene McKinney, ASCE-EWRI (5 min)

Panel 1: (20 min)

Topic 1.a – Marcela Nectoux, DRH-RS/Regions Adapt
Topic 1.b – Jean-François Donzier, Global Alliances for Water and Climate
Audience Question and Answer (15 min)

Panel 2: (20 min)

Topic 1.c – Katherine Cross, International Water Association

Topic 1.d – Melisa Cran, French Water Partnership and Daniel Schertzer, Ecole des Ponts ParisTech

Audience Question and Answer (15 min)

Conclusion: Danielle Gaillard-Picher, World Water Council (10 min)

Panels will present the results of the sessions focusing on:

1. What are the Theme key strong political messages (one key message per Topic)
2. What is the current state of affairs of the theme?
3. Where do we expect to be in 3 years (9th Forum in Senegal), and in 2030?
Short-term Goals (STG) expected to be addressed in 3 years
Long-term Goals (LTG) expected to be addressed in 2030
4. How do we get there?
What are the good practices that contribute to the implementation of the STG and LTG?
What are the key actors to be engaged?
5. What are the key messages regarding the cross-cutting themes (Capacity, Governance and Sharing) and Sustainability questions?

SPECIAL REQUESTS AND OBSERVATIONS (to be evaluated by the TC/Secretariat)

None