



SESSION DESCRIPTION FORM 2.

10TH WORLD WATER FORUM

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Session Code and Title:

5C1. Multistakeholder Engagement and Coordination in Financing Safe Water and Sanitation Services: Beyond Banks

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Session Description including objectives and expected outcomes (500 words maximum):

This session will bring together a varied range of stakeholders, including government agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), commercial sector entities, community leaders, and international organizations, to discuss integrated urban solutions. These initiatives seek to enhance urban economic, environmental, climate, social, and demographic conditions over the long term. Strategic planning will be prioritized to address cross-cutting issues and promote efficient coordination and collaboration.

The ramifications of a lack of coordination and cooperation will be a focus of discussion, with an emphasis on how they can impede the mobilization of commercial capital in the sector. The workshop will emphasize the importance of joint efforts between development and commercial finance institutions, particularly in blended finance ventures with a concessional component, for the effective growth of the urban market.

The discussion will focus on cross-sectoral integration to address potential bottlenecks in strategy and policymaking, as well as the policy and regulatory framework required for efficient coordination. This includes defining the roles, duties, and accountability systems for each stakeholder. Funding strategies, such as result-based funding, will be investigated, using practical examples of successful stakeholder collaboration in urban revitalization initiatives.

The ability of local institutions, communities, and relevant stakeholders to actively participate in the formulation, implementation, and maintenance of integrated urban strategies will be a key priority. The event will showcase best practice for monitoring and evaluating performance across a multistakeholder framework, as well as lessons learned from recent initiatives. Additionally, the role of technology such as remote sensing in urban planning will be investigated.

Panelists will identify gaps and discuss how to overcome them through collaborative efforts across stakeholder groups. The seminar will emphasize the need for good communication in raising funds, engaging service providers and community groups, and developing ties with public sector agencies to scale up urban interventions.

It is intended that the session would serve as a venue for effective multistakeholder coordination and collaboration in mobilizing and diversifying funds for water and sanitation sector development to accomplish SDG Goal 6.

As part of a continuous improvement effort, the outcomes of this session discussion can be used to promote knowledge sharing within existing community practices to improve multistakeholder coordination for the financing of safe water and sanitation, leveraging the success stories discussed. Establishing a regional center of excellence helps enhance these efforts by offering a dedicated arena for discussion and information exchange for potential common problems, as well as successfully selecting best practice solutions.

Concrete solutions and impacts include integrated strategic planning to address cross-cutting issues, blending public, private, and commercial financing (blended finance) and diversifying financing instruments (for example, results-based or performance-based contracts), defining roles, responsibilities, and accountability mechanisms for each stakeholder, and developing innovative approaches to monitoring and evaluating performance across the multistakeholder.

Detailed Session plan:

ESTIMATED TIMING	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKERS/LEAD	SPEAKERS STATUS	ROOM/SALLE
13.00 - 13.05 WITA	Opening Remarks	Muhammad Rizal	Topic Coordinator, OK	To Be Informed
13.05 - 13.12 WITA	Session Speaker	Amanda Loeffen	OK	
13.12 - 13.19 WITA	Session Speaker	Jeremy Keeton	OK	
13.19 - 13.26 WITA	Session Speaker	Olivier Normand	OK	
13.26 - 13.33 WITA	Session Speaker	Fraser Goff	OK	
13.33 - 13.40 WITA	Session Speaker	Barnabas Wae	OK	
13.40 - 14.25 WITA	Session Discussion	Irma Magdalena Setiono	Session Coordinator, OK	
14.25 - 14.30 WITA	Closing Remarks	Neeta Phokrel	TBC	