



SIDE EVENT DESCRIPTION FORM 2.

10TH WORLD WATER FORUM

This Session Description 2 is for the specified program of the side event. Please complete this form no later than 22nd of April 2024.

**The session description 1 (online form) is separately requested for the session coordinators to deliver a concise session outline with the contact info and the logistical requests.*

Session Code and Title:

SE23: Hydrodiplomacy in transboundary basins

Side Event Coordinators (Name, Position, Organization, email, mobile number):

Session coordinator and moderator:

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

Hydro-diplomacy is a concept that has been emerging in recent years, largely as a result of water rivalries and the risk of "water wars". This session aims to

- conceptually highlight the potential for peace-building through hydro-diplomacy, noting on the contrary the opportunity for "basin peace"

- highlight best practice in the technical, legal, organisational, economic and environmental tools that underpin 'practical' hydro-diplomacy

- build consensus on the importance of the right level of integration of economic, technical and political stakeholders, and even of representatives of the local population at cross-border level.

This session aims to achieve the following results:

- A list of good practices and institutional and technical innovations that could form the basis of a future 'catalogue of good practices in hydro-diplomacy'.

- Identification of the associated difficulties, opportunities, risks and timeframes, as a first step towards a 'catalogue of good practice'.

- Consideration of whether these actions can be financed by environmental finance

- Debate on the desirability of a future 'world academy of hydro-diplomacy and basin peace'.

Detailed Session plan : *F/M indicates Female or Male

ESTIMATED TIMING	ITEM DESCRIPTION / ROLE	SPEAKERS	SPEAKERS STATUS (OK OR TBC)
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	Session presentation/Moderator	Mohamed Diatta, Ministry of Water, Senegal	
	Key note speaker	M. Abdel Vetah, OMVS High Comissionner	OK
	Paneliste 1/Cooperation financing	Saroj Kumar Ja, World Bank	TBC
	Paneliste 2/	Eric Tardieu, World Water Council	OK
	Paneliste 3	Sonja Koepfel, UN Water Convention	OK
	Paneliste 4/Blue Peace	M. Zeitoun, Geneva Water Hub	TBC
	Paneliste 5/	Dr. Florence G. Adongo, Nil Basin Initiative	OK

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