



SESSION DESCRIPTION FORM 2.

10TH WORLD WATER FORUM

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Session Code and Title:

Optimizing the finance, governance, capacity building and institutional arrangements needed to reduce water-related disaster risk (Session code. CC8)

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

In recent years, extreme phenomena caused by global warming and climate change have become more prominent, and damage from floods and droughts has become more severe and frequent. In developing countries in particular, urbanization is progressing rapidly, and the concentration of population and industry in urban areas is simultaneously increasing the risk of water-related disasters. This has raised concerns about the further expansion of human and economic damage caused by water-related disasters worldwide.

In order to steadily reduce water-related disaster risk in this context, it is essential to optimize finance, governance, capacity building and institutional arrangements within the constraints of each country and region, along with pre-disaster investment and utilization of science and technology.

In this session, we will share case studies of initiatives around the world and conduct a panel discussion by specialists from various fields to find "keys" to optimize finance, governance, capacity building and institutional arrangements based on the actual situation in each country and region.

Detailed HLP Session plan:

ESTIMATED TIMING	ITEM DESCRIPTION / ROLE	SPEAKERS	SPEAKERS STATUS (OK OR TBC)
5min	Introduction	Ms. Judith Kaspersma, Deltares	OK
7min.	Presentation	Finance: Mr. Saroj Kumar Jha, the Global Director for the World Bank Group's Water Global Practice World Bank	OK
7min.	Presentation	Governance: Dr. Johannes Cullmann, Federal Institute for Hydrology, Germany	OK
7min.	Presentation	Capacity Building: Prof. Gretchen Kalonji, Sichuan University, China	OK



7min.	Presentation	Country: Mr. Kazufumi Onishi, Mayor, Kumamoto, Japan	TBC
7min.	Presentation	Country: Latin America (participants in ST3)	TBC
7min.	Presentation	Country: Africa (participants in ST3)	TBC
7min.	Presentation	Global South: Indonesia	TBC
30min.	Panel Discussion	Moderated by Dr. Yumiko Yasuda, GWP	OK
6min.	Summary and closing remarks	Prof. Kenzo Hiroki, HELP Secretariat	OK