

5th CONFERENCE OF THE WATER DIRECTORS OF THE EURO-MEDITERRANEAN AND SOUTHEASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

21 & 22 July 2008
Athens, Greece

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

DAY 1: Monday, 21 July 2008

09.30 – 10.00	Registration of Participants
10.00 – 10.05	Welcome address - Mr Stavros Kaloyannis, Deputy Minister, Ministry for the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works, Greece
10.05 – 10.30	1. Opening Speeches - Mr Ioannis Sibetheros, Special Secretary, Central Water Agency, Greece - Mr Jean-Claude Vial, Deputy Water Director, Ministry for Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and Town and Country Planning, France (EU Presidency), - Representative of the European Commission - Mr Walter Mazzitti, President, EMWIS
10.30 – 11.15	2. Preparations for the special ad hoc Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Meeting on Water (29 October 2008, Jordan) <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i> - Representatives of France and Jordan - Representative of the European Commission Discussion
11.15 – 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30 – 12.30	3. Theme Paper 1: Effective Water Governance <i>Chair: Mr Jean-Claude Vial, France</i> - Mr Vangelis Constantianos, MED EUWI Secretariat (GWP-Med) and Dr Fadi Comair, Director General, Ministry for Energy and Water, Lebanon Tour de Table / Recommendations
12.30 – 13.30	4. Theme Paper 2: Water and Climate Change Adaptation <i>Chair: Mr Jean-Claude Vial, France</i> - Representative(s) of lead drafters (Morocco, Spain) and Ms Maria Peppas, Head, Department of International Relations and EU Affairs, Greece Tour de Table / Recommendations
13.30 – 14.30	Lunch Break
14.30 – 15.30	5. Theme Paper 3: Water Financing <i>Chair: Mr Walter Mazzitti, EMWIS</i> - Representative(s) of lead drafters (Italy, European Commission) Tour de Table / Recommendations
15.30 – 16.30	6. Theme Paper 4: Water Demand Management and Efficiency and Non-Conventional Water Resources <i>Chair: Mr Walter Mazzitti, EMWIS</i> - Representative(s) of lead drafters (Egypt, France) Tour de Table / Recommendations
16.30 – 16.50	Coffee Break
16.50 – 17.50	7. 'Issues Paper' for the special ad hoc Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Conference on Water <i>Chair: Mr Ioannis Sibetheros, Greece</i> - Representatives of France, Jordan and the European Commission Tour de Table / Recommendations
17.50 – 18.00	8. Summing up of Day 1 Discussions <i>Chair: Mr Ioannis Sibetheros, Greece – Rapporteur: Prof. Micheal Scoullas, MED EUWI</i>
20.30	Dinner at Hotel Divani Apollon Palace & Spa Hotel

DAY 2: Tuesday, 22 July 2008

09.30 – 10.15	<p>9. Information on 'State of Play' technical papers planned to be presented during the special ad hoc Ministerial Conference on Water <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MED EUWI Assessments related to IWRM, to WSS and to Aid Assistance in the Mediterranean, <i>Mr Vangelis Constantianos, MED EUWI Secretariat (GWP-Med)</i> - Assessments and Prospects for Cooperation in the Water Sector in the Mediterranean, <i>Mr Walter Mazzitti, President, EMWIS and Mr Hervé Lainé, Expert, EMWIS</i> <p>Discussion</p>
10.15 – 11.15	<p>10. Information on recent and upcoming Conferences <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expo 2008 Zaragoza, <i>Representative of Spain</i> - 5th World Water Forum, <i>Representative of Turkey</i> - EC Communication on Adaptation to Climate Change, with emphasis on Mediterranean Particularities, <i>Representative of European Commission</i> - EU Marine Strategy Directive, <i>Ms Gabrijela Grcar, Head of Water Unit, Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning, Slovenia</i>
11.15 – 11.30	<p>11. Any other Business <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
11.30 – 11.45	<p>12. Presentation of Draft Conclusions of the 5th Conference <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission - Rapporteur: Prof. Micheal Scoullas, MED EUWI</i></p>
11.45 – 12.15	Coffee Break
12.15 – 13.15	<p>13. Discussion on the Draft Conclusions <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
13.15 – 13.30	<p>14. Adoption of the Draft Conclusions <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i></p> <p>Tour de Table / Recommendation</p>
13.30	<p>15. Closing Remarks - End of Conference <i>Chair: Representative of the European Commission</i></p>
13.30 – 15.00	Lunch
<p><i>Afternoon excursion to the ancient temple of Poseidon in Cape Sounion, Attica and dinner. Arrangements will be announced</i></p>	