



4th Local and Regional Authorities Conference: Towards a Roadmap for Implementation

at the 7th World Water Forum
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Organized in the framework of the 7th World Water Forum under the title of ‘**Towards a roadmap for implementation**’, the **4th International Conference of Local and Regional Authorities** is dedicated to water management issues and challenges faced by local and regional governments. As part of the world’s largest event on water and services, it provides a unique opportunity for policy makers, government officers, operators, businesses and researchers from around the world to seek joint solutions to today’s water challenges at local and regional levels.

The **conference program** is designed for local and regional governments to share their experience, solutions and achievements in addressing water issues. Focusing on the implementation of the Istanbul Water Consensus (IWC), the conference will explore how the IWC action plans and tools can be utilized more effectively. It will also highlight the importance of sustainable water management led by local governments in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as well as multi-level water governance and financing for better water and sanitation service.

Right before the 7th World Water Forum's Local and Regional Authorities Conference, **ICLEI World Congress 2015** will take place in Seoul, Republic of Korea on **8-12 April 2015**. The congress will provide local governments with practical solutions that they need to take home to accelerate local sustainability actions.

For questions and further information on the 4th International Conference of Local and Regional Authorities, please contact localregional@worldwaterforum7.org

- **Venue:** HICO, Gyeongju
- **Hosts:** Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Environment, Daegu City, Gyeongbuk Province, K-water
- **Organizers:** National Committee of 7th World Water Forum, World Water Council, ICLEI - Local Government for Sustainability, United Cities and Local Governments, Global Water Operators Partnerships Alliance/UN-Habitat, Daegu Gyeongbuk Development Institute
- **Languages:** English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish for all plenary sessions and English and Korean for break-out sessions

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Day 1 (13, April)	
Time	Program
09:00-12:00	Study tour: Daegu, Gyeongbuk Water Management Sites Visit
13:00-14:00	Lunch
Session 1: Opening plenary Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish	
14:00-14:30	Chair: Bert Diphorn, Director, Donor Relations and Resource Mobilization Services, UN-Habitat, and 7th World Water Forum Political Process Commission Member <hr/> Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Guy Fradin, WWC Board of Governors member, World Water Council</i> Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young-jin Kwon, Mayor, Daegu Metropolitan City • Kwan-yong Kim, Governor, Gyeongbuk Province Congratulatory remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jong-sup Chong, Minister, Ministry of Government Administration and Home Affairs, Republic of Korea
14:30-14:45	Setting the scene: Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bert Diphorn, Director, Donor Relations and Resource Mobilization Services, UN-Habitat, and 7th World Water Forum Political Process Commission Member • Barbara Anton, Coordinator - Sustainable Resources, Climate and Resilience, ICLEI European Secretariat
14:45-15:30	Keynote Speeches International urban water agenda (urban and water SDGs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joan Clos, Executive Director, UN-Habitat (video) Local urban water issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tae-young Yeom, Mayor, Suwon City and Global Executive Committee Member, ICLEI • Nader Ghazal, Mayor of Tripoli and UCLG Representative, Lebanon
Session 2: Mayors' Panel on recent progress in water actions in Cities Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish	
15:30-16:45	Chair: Jean-Marie Tétart, Mayor of Houdan, France <hr/> Panel debate Facilitator: Mohamed Boussraoui, World Secretariat, UCLG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Theophilus Aidoo-Mensah, District Chief Executive, Ghana</i> • <i>Gustavo Petro, Mayor, Bogota City, Colombia</i> • <i>Abdou Ouhou Dodo, Mayor, Tahoua City, President of National Association of Municipalities of Niger, Niger</i> • Gilmar Alves Machado, Mayor of Uberlandia, Brazil • Rodrigo Medina de la Cruz, Governor, Nuevo Leon State, Mexico • Yang-sik Choi, Mayor of Gyeongju, Korea
16:45-17:10	Coffee Break

Session 3: Dialogue for Water and Cities	
Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish	
17:10-18:30	Facilitator: Faraj El-Awar, Programme Manager, GWOPA/UN-Habitat Opening by Facilitator Presentation: Fostering Dialogue for Integrated Urban Water Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faraj El-Awar, Programme Manager, GWOPA/UN-Habitat Panel debate and discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Francisco Fernandes Tavares, Presidente, Camara Municipal de Santa Catarina, Cape Verde Vladimir Mendes-Borges, Deputy Mayor, City of Amiens, France Carlos Lozano de la Torre, Governor, Aguascalientes State, Mexico Rajandran Gopal Moodliar, Senior Manager Planning for Water and Sanitation, eThekweni Water and Sanitation, South Africa Gorkhmas J. Huseynov, Chairman, Azersu, Azerbaijan Adel Yasin, Director of Waste Water Planning Department, Palestinian Water authority, Palestine Latu Kupa, Executive Director, Pacific Water and Wastes Association Mai Flor, Executive Director, WaterLinks Satoko Kishimoto, Project Coordinator, Transnational Institute Adem Esen, Member of the Executive Board, Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality, Turkey Closing & way forward by Facilitator
Session 4: Host cities on stage	
Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish	
18:30-19:00	Chair: Sang-Yong Lee, Senior Research Fellow, Daegu Gyeongbuk Development Institute Presentation: Water Industry Policy of Daegu <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boo-seop Kim, Director, Bureau of Green Environment, Daegu City Implementation of TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) by Watershed Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duck-hee Kwon, Director, Environment Safety Division, Gyeongbuk Province
19:00	Welcome Dinner

Day 2 (14, April)	
Time	Program
09:00-09:10	Opening of Day 2 and reflection of Day 1
Session 5: High level panel: Boosting sustainable local water management through multi-level governance and tailored financing mechanisms	
Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish	
09:10-10:30	Facilitators: Emani Kumar, Deputy Secretary General of ICLEI and Regional Director of ICLEI South Asia

	<p>Panel debate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charafat Afilal, Minister of Water, Morocco (tbc) • Mlungisi Johnson, Parliamentarian and Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Water and Sanitation, South Africa • Michel Lesage, Member of French National Assembly and Member of Commission for Sustainable Development and Regional Planning • Mauricio Domogan, Mayor, City of Baguio, Philippines • Nader Ghazal, Mayor of Tripoli, Lebanon • Aziza Akhmouch, Head of Water Governance Programme, Regional Development Policy Division, Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate, OECD • Soo-cheol Lee, Professor, Faculty of Economics, Meijo University
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
<p align="center">Sessions 6: Breakout sessions on Urban Water Management in Practice</p>	
11:00-12:30	<p>6.1 Water quality, waste water and ecosystem management Venue: Room 203, Language: English, Korean Chair: Martin Brennan, Chief Executive Officer and Regional Director, ICLEI Oceania Secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for Actions for the Conservation of the World Lakes: Eiji Nishijima, Vice-Governor, Shiga Prefecture, Japan • Water and Cities Alliance: Gustavo Petro, Mayor of Bogota, Columbia • Gi-ik Shin, Director, Water and Sewage Division, Pohang City, Korea • Green Nature Eco-Village “Building and Caring with Citizens”: Case of Creek Saving Campaign led by residents: Jung-guy Kim, Director, Environmental Resources Conservation Division, Asan City, Korea • Completion of Sewerage Network in Nitra: Vojtěch Žák, Specialist-Analyst, West–Slovak Water Company, Nitra, Slovakia <hr/> <p>6.2 Water, urbanization and climate change Venue: Room 204, Language: English, Korean Chair: Konrad Otto-Zimmermann, Chairman ICLEI Urban Agendas; former ICLEI Secretary General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arisu, the tap water of Seoul: A centennial challenge for the healthy and tasty water: Deuk-mo Chung, Director General, Seoul Waterworks Research Institute, Korea • Overcoming water crisis in Daegu Metropolitan city: Young-cheol Kim, Director of Water Quality Research Institute, Daegu Metropolitan City, Korea • Integrated management of the Cutzamala System Basin: Fernando González Cáñez, Director General, River Basin Organization Waters of the Valley of Mexico • Lentic-Lotic Basin Management: A Critical Subject Amiss in the Global Water Fora: Masahisa Nakamura, Chairman, International Lake Environment Committee (ILEC) Scientific Committee, and Professor, Center for Sustainability and Environment of Shiga University, Japan

	<p>6.3 Peer-to-peer partnership for sustainable water and sanitation service provision Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish</p> <p>Chair: Faraj El-Awar, Programme Manager, GWOPA/UN-Habitat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celia Blauel, President of Eau de Paris, Deputy-Mayor for Environment, Paris, France • Rajandran Gopal Moodliar, Senior Manager Planning for Water and Sanitation, eThekweni Municipality, Durban, South Africa • Representative of Mexican Municipality or a member of ANEAS, Mexico • Opetaiia Ravai, Chief Executive Officer, Water Authority Fiji / Chairman of Pacific Water and Wastes Association • Gebremichael Kelele ABADI, Wukro Irrigation Engineer, Kilde Awelaelo Woreda Water Resource Mine and Energy Office, Tigray State, Ethiopia • Hüseyin Sönmezler, General Manager of Water and Sewerage Administration, Gaziantep Metropolitan Municipality, Turkey
12:30-13:30	Lunch
<p>Session 7: Closing Plenary Venue: Room 301, Language: English, French, Korean, Spanish and Turkish</p>	
<p>Chair: Yeon-hee Park, Director, ICLEI Korea Office</p>	
13:30-13:40	<p>Report of the breakout session and summary of the Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of session 6.1: Jean Baptiste Buffet, World Secretariat, UCLG • Report of session 6.2: Bong-hee Son, Strategy Manger, ICLEI East Asia Secretariat • Report of session 6.3: Jose Luis Martin, Programme Officer, GWOPA/UN-Habitat • Summary of the Conference: World Water Council
13:40-14:20	<p>Endorsement of the Daegu-Gyeongbuk Water Action for Sustainable Cities and Regions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbara Anton, Coordinator - Sustainable Resources, Climate and Resilience, ICLEI European Secretariat • Mohamed Boussraoui, UCLG
14:20-14:40	<p>Launch of the Korean Initiative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gyeonggi-do • Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, Korea
14:40-15:00	<p>Closing remarks of Korean hosts and introduction of the next host city for the 8th World Water Forum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nak-young Joo, Vice-Governor, Gyeongbuk Province • Yang-sik Choi, Mayor, Gyeongju City • Brasilia City, Brazil <p>Closing remarks of organizers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Konrad Otto-Zimmermann, Chairman ICLEI Urban Agendas; former ICLEI Secretary General • Nader Ghazal, Mayor of Tripoli and UCLG Representative, Lebanon • Faraj El-Awar, Programme Manager, GWOPA/UN-Habitat • Benedito Braga, President, World Water Council • Jung-moo Lee, Chairman, 2015 National Committee for the 7th World Water Forum
15:00-17:00	Farewell Reception with Networking