

WSSD WaterDome
Water, Health and Poverty Day - Monday, 2nd September, 2002

The Water, Health and Poverty day at the WaterDome is at the heart of the objectives of the WSSD. The day is a major advocacy opportunity on the many linkages between water, health and poverty. These range from the overall impact of water availability and water management on economic growth and hence the lives of the poor; to the more specific linkages between water, land, food, irrigation, domestic water and sanitation service management, hygiene, health and poverty. In between advocacy sessions on specific topics the day will feature many leading dignitaries, live music, entertainment and interactive events.

10h00 – 11h30

The day opens with an introduction to the day and the launch of an interactive children's water painting event. The first series of parallel advocacy/working sessions include:

- Water Resources and Poverty (*AfDB/GWP*)
- Current Trends in Pro-poor Sector Reform and Partnerships (*BPD W & S*)
- Agricultural Water and Poverty (*IWMI*)
- How Ecosan Can Help Solve the Global Water & Sanitation Crisis (*EcoSanRes*)
- Improving Access to Basic Services: Urban Water and Sanitation in Africa (*pS-Eau*)
- UNEP GPA Stakeholder Dialogue (UNEP)

11h30 – 12h15

Ms Clare Short MP (UK Secretary of State for International Development) will be joined on the stage by a number of dignitaries and global and world water leaders to launch the day and draw attention to the importance of water in poverty reduction. The leaders involved in the launch of the WASH advocacy campaign, including a new publication will draw attention to the importance of handwashing. A display of comic strips drawn by poor children from different water environments in Africa will be opened.

12h15 – 14h15

The second set of lunchtime advocacy/working sessions includes:

- WASH- Keys to Poverty Reduction: Dialogue with High-level Leaders (*WSSCC/UN-DESA*)
- Utility Reform and Poverty (*WUP*)
- West Africa Water Initiative (USAID)
- Water and Governance: How to alleviate poverty (*BNWP/WBI/ GWP*)
- The Mediterranean Eco-region: the first firm steps towards Sustainability (*Monaco*)
- Do DRA approaches tackle poverty? (*MIT*)

14h15 – 14h45

In a break between conference room sessions, there will be a stage launch of the French and Swedish pavilions with leading dignitaries present. The Africa Water Ambassador will launch the Blue Gold Series, a series of publications on effective experience in water, sanitation and hygiene in Africa.

14h45 – 16h45

The third set of advocacy/working sessions includes:

- Public-Private Hand-Washing Partnerships (*LSHTMWB/WSP*)
- Gender, Water and Poverty: Building Institutional Capacity for Gender Mainstreaming (*Gender Alliance*)
- Advocating Water as a Right (*WaterAid*)
- Launch of the Euro-Mediterranean Water and Poverty Facility (*GWPmed*)
- People-centred approach and political strategy: Convergence or Incompatibility? (*ISW*)
- Water, Children and Poverty (*UNICEF*)

16h45 – 17h30

A plenary session on the stage will bring the series of advocacy/working sessions to a close with a display of advocacy messages from the main sessions and a participatory quiz in the WaterDome on the main water, health and poverty linkages. The children's paintings will be auctioned to the public.

17h30 – 19h30

Live music, entertainment and dancing will be provided on stage. A fourth and final series of parallel sessions and working may be held in the conference venues. Final bookings to be confirmed.

19h30 – 22h00

In the closing session for the day, UNEP will be hosting a main event on the oceans, with many celebrities expected to attend. Live music will continue until session closure.

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| Time | On Stage | Conf Room 1 | Conf Room 2 | Conf Room 3 | Conf Room 4 | Conf Room 5 | Conf Room 6 |
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| 10.00 am to 11.30 am | 1. Welcome and Introduction to the Day' Events 2. Launch of Children's interactive water painting 3. Announcements | Water Resources and Poverty (AfDB/ GWP) | Current trends in pro-poor sector reform and partnerships (BPD W & S) | Agricultural Water and Poverty (IWMI) | How Ecosan Can Help Solve the Global Water & Sanitation Crisis (EcoSanRes) | Improving Access to Basic Services : Urban Water and Sanitation in Africa (pS-Eau) | UNEP GPA Stakeholder Dialogue (UNEP) |
| 11.30 am to 12.15 pm | 1. Day's Opening Ceremony 2. Launch the new Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) advocacy publication | | | | | | |
| 12.15 pm to 2.15 Includes working lunch or starts after lunch at 12.45 | Live Music set | Utility Reform and Poverty (WUP) | Do DRA Approaches Tackle Poverty (MIT) | West Africa Water Initiative (USAID) | Water and Governance: How to alleviate poverty (BNWP/WBI/ GWP) | High-level WASH campaign meeting (WSSCC) | The Mediterranean Eco-region: the first firm steps towards Sustainability (Monaco) |
| 2.15 pm to 2.45 pm | 1. Launch of French Pavilion 2. Launch of Swedish Pavilion 3. Launch of Blue Gold Series | | | | Hanjoel | | |
| 2.45 pm to 4.45 pm | Live Music Set | Water, Poverty and Children (UNICEF) | Gender, Water and Poverty: Building Institutional Capacity for Gender Mainstreaming (Gender Alliance) | Water Rights and Poverty (WaterAid) | "People - Centered Approach and Political Strategy: Convergence or Incompatibility ?" (ISW) | Public-Private Hand-Washing Partnerships (LSHTM/WBI/ WSP) | Launch of the Euro-Mediterranean Water and Poverty Facility (GWPmed) |
| 4.45 pm to 5.30 pm | 1. Display of advocacy messages from each session 2. Participatory quiz on water, health and poverty 3. Children's water art auction for Nelson Mandela Children's Fund | | | | | | |
| 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm | Live Music Set and Entertainment | | Desert Rainwater Harvesting Initiative (Australian Ass. of YDL) | Millennium Development Targets on Water and Sanitation (UN Task Force) | Capacity building for water and sanitation in Africa (ITN-Africa) | World Water Action study (WWC) | Video Program on Water and Poverty (ETV / WBI) |
| 7.30 pm to 10.00 pm | Main Ocean's Event (UNEP) | | | | | | |