



WATER ACTION DECADE

2018 - 2028

PREPARATION TOWARDS

the 3rd High-Level
International Conference on the International Decade
“WATER FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”,
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UN 2023 Water Conference follow-up event

BACKGROUND

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Dushanbe Water Process



UN 2023 Water Conference, 22-24 March 2023, New York

Republic of Tajikistan as one of its voluntary commitments proposed to widely use the Dushanbe Water Process as a follow up mechanism to UN 2023 Water Conference.

3rd Dushanbe Water Action Decade Conference, 10-13 June 2024, Dushanbe

Organized by the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan in cooperation with the United Nations, the Conference will provide a platform to promote the outcomes of the 2023 UN Water Conference.



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GOALS AND OBJECTIVES



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- **to support** the implementation of the goals and targets of the Water Action Decade;
- **to review** the progress catalyzed by the UN 2023 Water Conference with a specific focus on implementing the Water Action Agenda and identifying obstacles and opportunities related to fulfilling the commitments outlined in the Water Action Agenda;
- **to share** best practices and innovative solutions;
- **to strengthen** partnerships among stakeholders;
- **to promote** the role of water in sustainable development;
- **to raise** awareness and mobilize political will to accelerate progress towards achieving the water-related goals of the 2030 Agenda;
- **to contribute** to the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development in 2024 and preparatory process of the UN Water Conference in 2026;
- **to provide** a mechanism to encourage governments, the United Nations and all other partners to translate good intentions into actions on the ground and catalyze new commitments to be registered in the Water Action Agenda.



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PROGRESS MADE



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- ***National Preparation Plan*** – adopted by the Government;
- ***National Organizing Committee (NOC)*** – established under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister;
- ***International Advisory Committee*** – consist of 40 Composed of approximately 40 eminent experts;
- ***Conference Secretariat*** – established under MFA;
- ***Concept Note and Structural Program*** – approved by NOC;
- ***Terms of Reference*** – prepared for organizing interactive dialogues, forums, side events and the exhibition;
- ***Invitation Letters*** – over 400 invitation letters sent;
- ***Communication strategy*** – developed to raise national and global awareness.



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PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Day-1

Central Asian Water and Climate Forum

African Water Forum

RBO Forums

Glaciers Forum

Youth and Children Water Forum

Women Water Forum

Forum on Science and Technologies

Private Sector Forum

Forum of Parliamentarians

Cultural Event

Day-2

Opening Session

Plenary Session

Interactive Dialogues focused on the implementation of the Water Action Decade and outcomes of the UN 2023 WC

Water for Health: Access to WASH, including the Human Rights to Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation

Water for Sustainable Development: Valuing Water, Water-Energy-Food Nexus, and Sustainable Economic and Urban Development

Side events

Day-3

Plenary Session (Continuation)

Interactive Dialogues focused on the implementation of the Water Action Decade and outcomes of the UN 2023 WC

Water for Climate, Resilience, and Environment: Source to Sea, Biodiversity, Climate, Resilience, and Disaster Risk Reduction

Water for Cooperation: Transboundary and International Water Cooperation, Cross Sectoral Cooperation, including Scientific Cooperation, and Water Across the 2030 Agenda

Water Action Decade: Accelerating the Implementation of the Objectives of the Decade, including through the UN Secretary-General's Action Plan

Side events

Closing Session

Press Conference

Day-4

Excursions

International Exhibition

INTERACTIVE DIALOGUES

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- Five Interactive Dialogues are expected to focus on **review of** the progress catalyzed by the UN 2023 Water Conference particularly implementation of the Water Action Agenda
- **Co-chairs** of the respective interactive dialogues of the UN 2023 Water Conference with the support of preferably **up to 2-3 partners** one from United Nations entities and two from other stakeholders' organizations including financial institutions.
- Co-organizers of the dialogues may wish to **designate one of them as the lead for the purpose of coordination of activities** with the Conference Secretariat and interaction with the broader Conference process.
- In case if one of the co-chairs of the interactive dialogues of the UN 2023 Water Conference may be unavailable to play the role of the co-chair of the Dushanbe Conference, the second co-chair may invite another UN member state to co-chair the correspondent dialogue.



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KEY MESSAGES AND FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

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- Up to **5 key messages** and at least **3 or 4 follow-up actions and Water Action Agenda new voluntary commitments** from each Interactive Dialogue;
- A **summary** of the outcomes of the dialogues will be presented at the Closing Session by a rapporteur;
- A **document** with the full outcomes will be prepared by the co-organizers of the dialogues;
- The **outcomes** will be compiled in the **final report** of the Conference;
- The **final report** will be made available online and circulated widely.



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FORUMS OF THE CONFERENCE

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9 Forums aim at

- Creating an additional platform for broader discussion of water-related issues;
- Discussing among specific types of stakeholder groups or within certain regions.

Forums

- Forum of Parliamentarians;
- Central Asian Water and Climate Forum
- African Water Forum;
- River Basin Organization Forum;
- Glaciers Forum;
- Youth and Children Water Forum;
- Women Water Forum;
- Forum on Science and Technologies;
- Privat Sector Forum.



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CALL FOR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

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We call on all development partners to actively engage in the conference by hosting side events, forums, and exhibitions, and by participating as speakers and panelists in various sessions.

The conference provides a valuable platform for development partners to showcase their contributions to the advancement of the water sector on a global scale.



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