

Water Finance in the Mediterranean

Accelerating the implementation of SDG 6 by enhancing the financial sustainability of water management

Side Event HQ-112

Thursday 23 March 2023, 15:30-16:45 hours (GMT-5)

UN Headquarters, Conference Room 6

DRAFT AGENDA

15:30 Welcome and introduction

- Roberto Martín Hurtado, Senior Water Economics Advisor, UfM.

15:35 A regional response to the water finance challenge

- H.E. Almotaz Abadi, Deputy Secretary General for Water, Environment and Blue Economy, Union for the Mediterranean
- Marjeta Jager, Deputy Director General in the Directorate-General for International Partnerships (INTPA), European Commission

15:50 Country perspectives on water finance: progress, commitments, and the role of cross sectoral collaboration

- H.E. Vahit Kirişçi, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, Türkiye
- Mohammad Al-Dwairi, Assistant Secretary General for Planning, Ministry of Water and Irrigation, Jordan
- Mohammed Chtioui, Director of Tensift River Basin Agency, Morocco
- Olli-Matti Verta, Director of Water Resources Management, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Finland

16:20 Lessons from the global water finance agenda

- Xavier Leflaive, Water Team Leader, OECD Environment Directorate
- Catherine Collin, Managerial Adviser to the MD, EIB Global

16:30 Q&A

16:40 Key messages and closing

- Roberto Martín Hurtado, Senior Water Economics Advisor, UfM