



Meeting of

**INNOVATING AND PIONEERING
EXPERIENCES OF SOCIAL
PARTICIPATION IN
WATER MANAGEMENT**

—
Building a Global Network

September 15 to 17

Foz do Iguaçu - Paraná - Brasil

'WATER FOR LIFE' UN-WATER BEST PRACTICES AWARD

The 'Water for Life' UN-Water Best Practices Award was established in 2010 and launched for the first time in December 2010 during the International Conference 'Sustainable Water Management in Cities: engaging stakeholders for effective change and action, Zaragoza, Spain.

The purpose of the Award is to promote efforts to fulfill international commitments made on water and related issues by 2015 through recognition of outstanding best practices that can ensure the long-term sustainable management of water resources and contribute to the achievement of internationally agreed goals and targets contained in the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation.

The Award was established by UN-Water and is organized by United Nations Office to Support the International Decade for Action "Water for Life" 2005-2015/UN-Water Decade Programme on Advocacy and Communication (UNW-DPAC) and the UN World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP). The Prize is awarded in two categories, one in 'best water management practices' and another one in 'best participatory, communication, awareness-raising and education practices'.

The Award is open to projects or programmes achieving particularly effective results in the field of water management or in raising awareness in water issues.

Every year, special emphasis is being put on the theme selected for next World Water Day.



WATER FOR LIFE
2005-2015

WINNERS

2015

'Water for Life' UN-Water Best Practices Award 5th edition: Water and Sustainable Development Category 1.

- Cultivando Água Boa / Cultivando Agua Buena, Brazil

Category 2.

- Social arts for community mobilization and safe water access - Project India
- South African DWS / WESSA Eco-Schools Water Project

2014

Water for Life' UN-Water Best Practices Award 4th edition: Water and Energy

Category 1.

- IWMI-Tata Water Policy Program, India

Category 2.

- NEWater Programme, Singapore

2013

Water for Life' UN-Water Best Practices Award 3th edition: Water Cooperation

Category 1.

- Basin wide groundwater management using the system of nature: Kumamoto city, Japan

Category 2.

- Safe Water and Sanitation for all in The Republic of Moldova

2012

Water for Life' UN-Water Best Practices Award 2nd edition: Water for Food Security Category 1.

- Protection of Bangalore Lakes for Posterity - Setting a Legal Precedent for Conservation of Lakes as Commons, India

Category 2.

- A communication strategy for social and behavior change through the promotion of three key practices and the adequate use of services in four municipalities of the Department of Cochabamba, Bolivia

2011

Water for Life' UN-Water Best Practices Award 1st edition: Urban Water Management Category 1.

- Las Pinas-Zapote River System Rehabilitation Programme, Philippines

Category 2.

- A Participatory and Learning Based Approach to Raising Awareness on Water and Sanitation, Durban, eThekweni Municipality, South Africa

OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING:

Exchange of experiences and knowledge of the key elements of social processes in water management for the articulation of a global network of innovative initiatives in this field.

TOPICS:

1. Celebrate the five years of the UN-Water Best Practices Award 'Water for Life', and be the meeting point among different winners between 2011 and 2015.
2. Reinforce good practices by assessing the desirability of creating a network of practices which its key element would be the social processes of water management.
3. Establish the basis of a GLOBAL NETWORK OF INITIATIVES OF SOCIAL PARTICIPATION IN THE WATER MANAGEMENT.
4. Discuss and consider the broad strategic objectives of the possible network and the tools to be employed to achieve them.
5. Consider the proposal of Cultivating Good Water to support the network.
6. Consider international organizations such as United Nations and any other organization in the meeting, which can support the network.
7. Consider the Brazilian government institutions that will be in the meeting, and other countries institutions that can support the creation and operation of the network.

PROGRAM

DAY 1: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

08:30 – 18:30 Field visit – CAB Program

19:00 Welcome Dinner

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:00 – 10:30 **Opening Ceremony**

- **Representative of Brazilian Government ***
- **Ms. Blanca Jiménez-Cisneros.** Vice-Chair UN-Water, Director Division of Water Sciences UNESCO
- **Mr. Jorge Miguel Samek.** Brazilian General Director of Itaipu Binacional.
- **Mr. James Spalding.** Paraguayan General Director of Itaipu Binacional.
- **Mr. Vicente Andreu Guillo.** President Director of the Brazilian National Water Agency - ANA.
- **Mr. Nelton Friedrich.** Director of Coordination of Itaipu Binacional
- **Mr. Idibek Kalandarov.** Head of the International Organizations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan
- **Mr. Lupericio Zirolto Antonio.** President of the Brazilian network of hydrographic basins. REBOB.

Introduction:

- **Ms. Josefina Maestu.** Director, UN-Water Decade Programme on Advocacy and Communication (UNW-DPAC), Coordinator, United Nations Office to Support the International Decade for Action 'Water for Life' 2005-2015
- **Ms. Alice Bouman-Dentener.** Honorary Founding President of Women for Water Partnership (WFWP)

Presentation of the "Proclamation for the Water Participation Management"

- **Víctor Viñuales,** Executive Director of Ecodes Foundation

10:30 – 12:30 **Presentation of the experiences of the Award winners of UN-Water Best Practices, "Water for life"**

- **Ms. Engracia Tamaña.** Las Pinas-Zapote River System Rehabilitation Programme, Philippines.
- **Mr. Mandla Saul Malakoana.** A Participatory and Learning Based Approach to Raising Awareness on Water and Sanitation, Durban, eThekweni Municipality, South Africa
- **Mr. Leo Saldanha.** Protection of Bangalore Lakes for Posterity – Setting a Legal Precedent for Conservation of Lakes as Commons, India
- **Ms. Elsa Sánchez.** A communication strategy for social and behavior change through the promotion of three key practices and the adequate use of services in four municipalities of the Department of Cochabamba, Bolivia
- **Mr. Tsutomu Nagata.** Basin wide groundwater management using the system of nature: Kumamoto city, Japan
- **Ms. Marie-Claude Bourgie.** Social arts for community mobilization and safe water access – Project India
- **Ms. Tembeka Dambuza.** South African DWS / WESSA Eco-Schools Water Project

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12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

13:30 – 14:15 **Citizen Participation Processes**

- **Mr. Javier Celma.** Participatory projects and water in Zaragoza, Spain
- **Mr. Lupericio Zirolto Antonio.** President of the Brazilian network of hydrographic basins. REBOB

Moderator: Mr. Víctor Viñuales. Executive Director of Ecodes Foundation

14:15 – 16:00 **Presentation of the Cultivating Good Water Program**

- **Mr. Nelton Friedrich.** Director of Coordination of Itaipu Binacional – Brazil
- Presentation of reapplication cases of the Cultivating Good Water Program
- Signature of the creation for the Binational Social Committee

16:00 – 17:00 **Water Pact. Special event to the Water Decade Office**

17:00 – 17:30 **Coffee Break**

17:30 – 19:00 **Workshop No. 1**

Discussion tables of networking creation.
Proposals for the design objectives of the network and methodology

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20:00 **Dinner**

DAY 3 – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:30 – 11:00 **Workshop No. 2**

The integrated work of the international and national participant, and Network Cooperation Agencies.

- Members of the Evaluation Committee and Jury Award 2015
- UNESCO, CEPAL, UNEP, FAO, UN-DESA
- International Cooperation Organizations
- ANA, BNDES

Moderators:

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11:00 – 12:00 **Workshop No. 3**

Conclusions and closing ceremony

- **Ms. Blanca Jiménez-Cisneros.** Vice-Chair UN-Water, Director Division of Water Sciences UNESCO
- **Víctor Viñuales,** Executive Director of Ecodes Foundation

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

14:00 – 15:30 **Field visit to the Hydroelectric Plant of Itaipu Binacional**



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