

**Water at CoP21**

**#CLIMATE IS WATER**

**“Solutions for the future”**

11:00 to 14:30

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015

Venue: Nelson Mandela Auditorium, Climate Generations Areas, Le Bourget – Paris

Alliance for Global Water Adaptation (AGWA) have organised an event to promote the value and understanding of water considerations within the climate change debate, and will be one event of others on the unofficial “Climate and Water Day” at the CoP.

The event brings together a range of well-known international speakers from diverse organisations and sectors to share their experience of managing, adapting and mitigating climate change through water.

**Key Message 1:**

***The impacts of climate change are most often felt through changes in water***

**Key Message 2:**

***Failure to address the relationship between water and climate puts our future in jeopardy***

**Key Message 3:**

***Water is connector, not a sector, and it offers solutions***



## Together, let's spread the word that #ClimateIsWater!

The impacts of climate change globally are most often felt through changes in water. We would like to see discussion taking place in the official agenda to raise awareness of the issues.

Develop your understanding and join us!

To find out more watch our 'ClimateIsWater' stories from around the world at:

<http://www.climateiswater.org/>

### Session 1: Climate is Water

Time:	Topic:	Who:
11:00	Introduction to 'Climate is Water'	<b>Dr Mark Fletcher</b> (AGWA/Arup) <b>Karin Lexen</b> (AGWA/SIWI)
11:05	<b>Key Message 1</b> The impacts of climate change are most often felt through changes in water  Video - "Water is at the heart of climate change"	
11:15	<b>Key Message 2</b> Failure to address the relationship between water and climate puts our future in jeopardy  Link water adaptation, water resource management and mitigation to deal with climate change  Freshwater resilience, the water sector view on what we mean by resilience	<b>Corrine Trommsdorf</b> (International Water Association)  <b>John Matthews</b> (AGWA)
11:35	<b>Key Message 3</b> Water is a connector, not a sector, and it offers solutions  Example from Island States vulnerable to the water and climate change nexus  Reinforce capacity, knowledge and transition to climate ready water solutions	<b>Monica Scatasta</b> (European Investment Bank)  <b>Antonella Vagliante / Rajendra Singh</b>
12:00	30 Minute Break	

### Session 2: Practical Solutions

Time:	Topic:	Who:
12:30	Introduction to 'Solutions for the Future'	<b>Xianfu Lu</b> (UNFCCC)
12:35	Drought solutions and integrated water resource management	<b>Frederik Pischke</b> (Global Water Partnership)
12:45	WASH and climate change solutions	<b>Brian Arbogast</b> (Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation)
12:55	Water and Ecosystems Services	<b>James Dalton</b> (International Union for Conservation of Nature)
13:05	Business resilience and risk management, with a focus on evaluating the water footprint	<b>Laurent Bellet</b> (EDF)
13:15	Flood Management and City Resilience	<b>Dr Mark Fletcher</b> (AGWA/Arup)
13:25	Water resources management	<b>Prof Dogan Altinbilek</b> (World Water Council)
13:45	Funding climate solutions	<b>Torgny Holmgren</b> (SIWI)
13:55	Summary	<b>Xianfu Lu</b> (UNFCCC)
14:05	Climate and water theme Ecoaction games	
14:30	Close	

Founded in September 2010, the Alliance for Global Water Adaptation is a group of regional and global development banks, government agencies and ministries, diverse non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and the private sector focused on managing water resources in a sustainable way — even as climate change alters the global hydrological cycle. Water provides coherence to climate change adaptation and mitigation, integrating energy, water, food production and agriculture, and ecosystems and the environment.

