



# INVITATION REMINDER MEDIA PRE-REGISTRATION CLOSES 12 MARCH

# Final countdown for the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum: Official program now available

Marseille, France / Daegu & Gyeongbuk, Rep. of Korea, 04/03/2015. The official program for largest water-related event in the world is now available online. Taking place from 12 to 17 April 2015 in Daegu & Gyeongbuk, Republic of Korea, Heads of States, Ministers, elected officials, public agencies, international organizations, enterprises, academia, civil society and journalists will gather to discuss the theme of water for our future. Some 30,000 participants from all over the world are expected.

### The official program now revealed

Despite the fact that over 2.3 billion previously unserved people gained access to water between 1990 and 2012, much still remains to be done. Population growth and demands for multiple uses, as well as a changing climate, are putting water under increasing pressure. These topics will be discussed during over 300 sessions dedicated to thematic, political, regional, and science & technology processes.

## Some key dates can already be highlighted

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>12 April:	Opening Ceremony and Press conference (14:00 - 17:30)
>13 April:	Ministerial conference
	Infrastructure Financing for a Water-Secure World High Level Panel (14:40-16:40)
	Launch of the Water & Green Growth Final Report (17:00-18:00)
>13&14 April:	Local and Regional Authorities Conference
>14 April:	How can we achieve a water and food secure future? (17:00-19:00)
>15 April:	Conference of Parliamentarians for Water
>16 April:	Multipurpose uses and services of hydropower reservoirs (9:00-11:00)
>17 April:	Water and Cities (9:00-11:00)
	Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM) (11:20-13:20)
	Closing ceremony and handover (from 14:00)

In addition to these Forum discussions, a Citizen's Forum, including youth activities, cultural events, side events and a Water Expo & Fair will offer additional opportunities to engage in the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum.

For more information, please visit the official online program here <a href="http://eng.worldwaterforum7.org/introduce/program/overview.asp">http://eng.worldwaterforum7.org/introduce/program/overview.asp</a>

And the 3rd announcement:

http://eng.worldwaterforum7.org/news/news/view.asp?notice\_seq=140

#### Public pre-registration and media accreditation are open

Public pre-registration and media accreditation are open until 12 March 2015.

So as to offer opportunities for people from all horizons to attend the Forum, the prices of entrance fees have been developed according to different categories of participants: those from developed countries, from developing countries, students and NGOs. Media accreditation is free. After 12 March, the registration is possible on-site.

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#### About the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum

Necessitating two years of collaborative preparation with stakeholders from around the world, the 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum consists of 4 preparatory processes: Regional, Political, Thematic and Science and Technology, within a common framework, so as to catalyze collective action and positive change. The 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum will also be composed of cultural events, side events, a water exhibition, and a Citizen's Forum, including a Youth and Children's Forum, to raise awareness around water issues. The 7<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum is jointly organized by the World Water Council and the Republic of Korea together with the city of Daegu and the Province of Gyeongbuk.

#### About the World Water Council (WWC)

The World Water Council is an international multi-stakeholder platform organization, founder and co-organizer of the World Water Forum. The World Water Council's mission is to promote awareness, build political commitment and trigger action on critical water issues at all levels, including the highest decision-making level, to facilitate the efficient conservation, protection, development, planning, management and use of water in all its dimensions on an environmentally sustainable basis for the benefit of all life on earth. The World Water Council, headquartered in Marseille, France, was created in 1996. It brings together over 300 member organizations from more than 50 different countries.

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