ENSURING INTERGENERATIONAL POLICY DIALOGUES

HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

FOR ACHIEVING SDG 6

TUESDAY 10 JULY 2018 1:15 - 2:30 PM CONFERENCE ROOM A
UN CONFERENCE BUILDING

OBJECTIVES:

- To facilitate the inclusion of youth and young water professionals in discussions with decision makers about the follow-up and review of Sustainable Development Goal 6
- 2 To encourage the inclusion of youth perspectives in the forum's ministerial declaration
- To facilitate youth networks sharing their experiences or knowledge on implementing or monitoring of the sustainable development goals with decision makers

PANELISTS:

Ms. Judith Arrieta Munguia - Minister of the Mexican Foreign Service **Ms. Neelam Melwani -** Second Secretary Political Affairs, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the UN

Mr. Callist Tindimugaya - Commissioner for Water Resources
Planning and Regulation, Ministry of Water and Environment, Uganda
Prof. Dr. Stefan Uhlenbrook - Coordinator UNESCO WWAP; Director,
UNESCO Programme Office on Global Water Assessment

Dr. Eddy Moors - Rector IHE Delft

Dr. Anil Mishra - Programme Specialist UNESCO-IHP

Ms. Mina Guli - CEO, Thirst

Mr. Sena Alouka - Executive Director, Jeunes Volontaires pour l'Environnement (JVE) International

Ms. Mande Holford - Science and Education Policy Association

Ms Lindsey Aldaco-Manner - President, World Youth Parliament for Water

Ms. Natalija Fisher - Water Youth Network Mr. Katsuhito Okubo - Japan Youth Platform for Sustainability

MODERATORS: Ms. Faduma Ali - UN-Water & Ms. Shabana Abbas - Water Youth Network

The organization of Youth Forums during global water governance forums are key mechanism for young women and men to be included in global policy discussions. However, greater value may be gained from ensuring youth participate directly in the decision-making processes instead of organizing separate processes for them. Therefore, greater political will is also needed to ensure more intergenerational policy dialogues within the water sector. This side event will build on the intergenerational dialogue of the youth forum of the WWF and the results of the ECOSOC Youth Forum (January 2018), and will explore best practices and challenges in implementing and monitoring the implementation of SDG 6. It will look at tangible mechanisms through which intergenerational collaboration between youth and decision makers can contribute to the achievement of SDG 6. The interactive panel discussion will explore experiences and avenues for greater youth involvement in the implementation and monitoring of the SDG 6 (i.e., past World Water Forums, Budapest Water Summit, national activities) and identify the necessary follow up mechanisms.

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