

Giornata Internazionale Acqua del 19 Marzo 2009

Conceptualization

The International Water Day is conceived as an "open space event" during the 5° World Water Forum ; this opportunity expressed by a letter of Italian Global Contract sent to the international water groups take the agreement of different continental Network of Water and is motivated by the difficult to realize an Alternative Water Social Forum organized by the local Movements.

The goals of this event are

- To provide an opportunity for collaboration between those who are in and outside of the official Forum (movements, networks, local authorities, public companies, unions, governments; European parliamentarians etc) in order to Keep track of the works of the Forum an monitor whether our strategy is effective or not ;
- Offering to the different stakeholders and media, but the representing of Movements and Water Networks, who will be in Istanbul, an opportunity to encounter the critiques and alternative proposal fostered by the Movements , international networks, and organization
- Sharing the priorities, the on- going strategy at continental level, and the post-forum agenda among the movements, Movements , international networks, and organization
- Identify key actors, both opponents and allies, and key battles which must be won over the next months (united cities, local governments, organizations of parliamentarians and elected officials etc...)
- To approve an Alternative Forum Declaration so as update the Mexico city's one to support the enshrining the human right to water and to implements this right; give the engagement to UN Assembly to take the engagement to organize the next World Water Forum

Some idea of contents

- showcase the positive agenda of the global water justice movements for countering the water crisis
- highlighting concrete examples of how movements and governments promote the right to water for instance via progressive approaches such as democratization of managements, community control of water and PUPS
- highlighting concrete examples of how governments, public utilities and communities work to implement the right of water via progressive reforms
- deliver a hard critique of the neo-liberal agenda, including the financial/economic crisis, impact on the watsan sector, and look at specific policy proposal for economic stimulus package

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Proposal for the Agenda “International Water Day “

▪ **Morning (Planery 09.00- 13.00)**

Water as Human right and common goods : the alternative proposal (vision)

Speakers proposal

Coordination from members of international Water Groups

- Miguel d’Escoto Brockmann (President of the UN General Assembly)
- Maude Barlow, Council Canadian, Senior Advisor on water UN General Assembly
- European parliamentary (Member of official delegation)
- Water Minister against the privatisation : Bolivia - Uruguay - Venezuela - Belgio etc..
- Mayor of Dikili or Diyarbakir or other Turkey city
- Network of local municipality for peace and water (FAL etc)

▪ **Afternoon (Planery 14.00- 16.00)**

Water as instruments for peace, democracy and governance of water as common goods : the experience of other actors

Speakers proposal

Coordination from members of international Water Groups

- representative of Municipality for public management of water (*France, Italy, etc*)
- representative of Network and enterprises for public management (*European Newtork AquaPubblica , representatives of public water enterprise from Brasile, Italy etc*)
- representative of Trade-Unions for public water (*Public Service International, European water trade unions*)
- representative of Environment Network engaged for water (*International Rivers, Legambiente etc*)

▪ **Afternoon (Planery 16.15- 18.30)**

The alternative vision of water proposed by civil society, movements and network : proposal, strategy actions for a New Alternative Water Declaration

Speakers proposal

Coordination from members of international Water Groups

- *Africa* : representatives from Mali, Ghana, South Africa etc
- *Asia* : representatives from India, Japan, etc
- *Europe* : representatives from France, Belgium, Italy etc
- *Latin America* : representatives from Uruguay, Ecuador, Bolivia, Brasile, etc
- *Mediterranean* : representatives from Turkey, Maroc, Palestinian, etc

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