

# Providing the knowledge-base to address Africa's Water Challenges: UN Global Assessments on Water Resources, Drinking Water and Sanitation

2nd Africa Water Week - Monday, November 9, 18.00 -19.30

UN-Water supports co-ordination among UN agencies' efforts to monitor the state and utilization of the world's water resources. Associated assessment reports focus on status, trends, and progress against international development targets, on responses and their impact, as well as on challenges and emerging issues.

There are three reporting mechanisms within UN-Water; the **World Water Assessment Programme** presenting the triennial **World Water Development Report (WWDR)** on the status and management of water resources, the **WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme for Water Supply and Sanitation (JMP)** presenting a biennial global coverage report, and the **Global Annual Assessment of Sanitation and Drinking-Water (GLAAS)** that monitors the inputs to the sanitation and drinking-water sector. These three reporting mechanisms together represent a comprehensive and complementary set of information on water and development and are part of the UN-Water effort to rationalize, harmonize and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of monitoring and reporting.

The side-event will present the three assessment reports and stimulate a discussion on how these reports respond to specific water and sanitation related challenges facing Africa.

## Programme

- 18.00** Welcome and Introduction. Mr. Johan Kuylensstierna, Chief Technical Advisor, UN-Water
- 18.05** The World Water Development Report. Key messages and the way forward.  
Mr. Bill Cosgrove, Content Coordinator of the 3rd World Water Development Report.
- 18.15** The WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme Report. Future perspectives.  
Ms. Clarissa Brocklehurst, Chief, Water, Sanitation and Health, UNICEF
- 18.25** The Global Annual Assessment on Sanitation and Drinking Water (GLAAS).  
Preparing for the First Report.  
Mr. Peregrine Swann, Senior Advisor, WHO
- 18.35** How UN-Water and the Global Assessments can support the African Water Development Report.  
Mr. Halifa Drameh, Chair, UN-Water/Africa
- 18.45** Preparing the Regional Dimension of the WWDR4: The African Perspective.  
Mr. Johnson Akinbola, Senior Regional Advisor, UNECA
- 18.55** Panel discussion.  
With the presenters and Prof. Edward Kairu, Executive Director, Maji na Ufanisi and Chairman, ANEW
- 19.25** Summing up. Mr. Frederik Pischke, Advisor, UN-Water.
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