

SWA Meeting of Ministers of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

15 and 16 March 2016

Day 1



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| 8:00 - 9:00 | Registration and Coffee | |
| Section 1: Where we are and a vision for where we go | | |
| | Session 1: Opening plenary | |
| 9:00 – 9:45 | <p>Welcome by meeting convenor and host, and Chair of SWA.</p> <p>SDGs: an ambitious new agenda</p> <p><i>Outcome: Global leaders convey an inspirational and ambitious agenda and vision to set the tone of the meeting.</i></p> | <p>Welcome and call to order by meeting Chair The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p><i>Welcome remarks:</i> The ambition, scope and challenge of the SDG era. Mr. Anthony Lake, Executive Director, UNICEF <i>Welcome remarks:</i> Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Chairperson of the African Union Commission</p> <p><i>Welcome remarks:</i> Why is SWA unique? Role of SWA as a forum for mutual accountability, learning and political and financial prioritization of WASH. The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p><i>Welcome remarks and opening of meeting:</i> Ethiopia’s experience in planning for effective WASH programming. H.E. Dr. Mulatu Teshome, President, the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia</p> |
| | Session 2: The SDG challenge for sanitation, water and hygiene (Plenary) | |
| 9:45 – 10:30 | <p>Participants get to know purpose of the meeting, expected outputs, agenda, who is in the room.</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers understand the global consensus and the implications for countries of the SDG goal 6, targets and indicators, and consider what is needed to achieve the ambitious agenda. This session also sets up the structure of the meeting around key building blocks for an effective sector and key behaviours for partnership.</i></p> | <p>Review of agenda, meeting objectives, participants, process and outputs. Ms. Amanda Marlin, Coordinator, SWA</p> <p><i>Joint Framing presentation:</i> This joint presentation from WHO, UNICEF, World Bank and the SWA partnership will outline the transition from the MDGs to the new ambition of the SDGs. It will start from the state of the sector at the end of the MDG period, and move to the implications of the SDGs in terms of new, more comprehensive indicators and ambitious targets relating to universality of access to water sanitation and hygiene. It will detail the key transitions countries need to make to strengthen their sectors, expressed as the building blocks of policy and strategy, institutional arrangements, financing, planning, monitoring and review, and capacity building. Concrete examples of how countries have approached these building blocks will be discussed. The presentation will conclude with a discussion on the way in which the SWA partners can work together to support each other and bring greater development effectiveness to the sector through agreed Collaborative Behaviours.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Where we are and lessons from the MDGs. Mr. Bruce Gordon, Coordinator, Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Health, WHOThe SDGs and implications for policy and implementation. Mr. Sanjay Wijesekera, Associate Director (WASH), Programme Division, UNICEFExamples of how countries have tackled the building blocks to achieve results. Ms. Jyoti Shukla, Senior Manager, Water and Sanitation Program, World Bank.SWA: Working effectively together for the SDGs Ms. Catarina de Albuquerque, Executive Chair, SWA <p>Q and A</p> |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Break | |

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| Session 3: Sharing experiences on current status and changes needed to meet the SDGs (Ministerial groups organized by regions) | | |
| 11:00 – 13:00 | <p>Ministers present the current state of the sector in their country and share their plans and challenges to reach the SDGs. Discussion around sharing experiences on what actions are needed.</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers identify actions required to achieve the SDGs and make connections with a view to sharing and learning from each other's experiences</i></p> | <p>Ministers review status of WASH in their countries in terms of current coverage trends, identified bottlenecks and drivers.</p> <p>Ministers discuss implications of SDGs for their countries and actions taken so far.</p> <p><i>All presentations will use the four-slide template provided during the meeting's preparatory process.</i></p> |
| 13:00 – 14:30 | Lunch | Working lunch – countries meet with development partners |
| Section 2: What we need to address to achieve the vision | | |
| Session 4: Building blocks to achieve the water, sanitation and hygiene targets of the SDGs (Plenary) | | |
| 14:30 – 15:15 | <p>Presentations focus on the building blocks of an effective WASH sector:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policy and strategy • institutional arrangements • planning, monitoring and review • capacity development <p><i>Outcome: Ministers understand the types of building block solutions applied by other countries to common problems in the sector.</i></p> | <p>Call to order by The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p><i>Joint Framing presentation:</i> Institution Building for the SDGs for the water, sanitation and hygiene sector – examples from Southeast Asia, Africa, Europe and South America.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How did the East Asian 'Tigers' deliver sanitation within a generation? – Lessons for the SDGs. Ms. Barbara Frost, CEO, WaterAid UK • The Journey: Evolution Of Water and Sanitation Sector Management In Malaysia Ms. Punita Nook Naidu, Director (Technical Standard & Compliance), Sewerage Regulatory Department, National Water Services Commission, SPAN, Malaysia • Institution Building for the SDGs for the water, sanitation and hygiene sector: Examples from Europe, Africa and Latin America. Mr. Jaime Melo Baptista, Former Chairman of the Board of the Water and Waste Services Regulatory Authority (ERSAR), Portugal <p><i>Framing presentation:</i> Turning around under-performing water and sanitation utilities and targeting the poor Mr. Neil MacLeod, former Head, eThekweni Water and Sanitation, South Africa</p> <p>Q and A in plenary</p> |
| 15:15 – 15:30 | Break | |
| 15:30 – 17:30 | Session 5: Applying building block solutions to achieve sustainable universal access (Ministerial groups) | |
| | <p>Ministers share innovative solutions to strengthening building blocks that they have applied to the common bottlenecks to sustainability and universality with priority given to eliminating inequality.</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers identify the types of solutions appropriate to address their most pressing bottlenecks to achieving the SDGs.</i></p> | <p>Participants divide into groups for a ministerial dialogue on transitional steps that need to be made to establish sustainable services, eliminate inequalities and ensure universality of access.</p> <p>The discussions are around how the building blocks and behaviours are applied to key sector bottlenecks on themes including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reaching higher levels of service in water supply in rural areas • Gaining control of water and sanitation in rapidly growing cities • Eliminating open defecation and moving up the sanitation ladder • Establishing functional water and sanitation utilities in small towns • Maintaining service levels during times of crisis <p>The following principles will be integrated into the discussion: quality/safety, affordability, accessibility, availability, elimination of inequalities, sustainability, accountability and participation.</p> |
| 17:30 – 19:00 | Marketplace of ideas + reception - Selected SWA Partners present ideas for innovations, supporting national plans. Refreshments served. | |

Day 2

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| 8:00 – 9:00 | Coffee and informal meetings | |
| 9:00 – 10:00 | Session 6: Addressing threats to achieving universal and sustainable access (Plenary) | |
| | <p>Presentations focus on the risks to the vulnerable and solutions to address inequalities, as well as the negative impact climate change can have on achieving the SDGs – particularly in terms of the worst impacts being felt by the poorest and most vulnerable.</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers understand the policy and resourcing implications and solutions to eliminate inequalities.</i></p> | <p>Call to order by The Mr. Hon. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p><i>Framing Presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting the needs of girls and women. Ms. Sarina Prabasi, CEO, WaterAid America Addressing open defecation at scale H.E. Mr. Dawson Kafwaya, Deputy Minister of Local Government and Housing of the Republic of Zambia Combatting inequalities in WASH Mr. Chris Williams Executive Director, Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council The humanitarian – development continuum H.E. Mr. Tanveer Aslam Malik, Minister of Housing, Urban Development and Public Health Engineering Department, Punjab, Pakistan <p>Q and A in plenary</p> |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Break | |
| | Session 7: Financing solutions for sustainable, universal water, sanitation and hygiene (Plenary) | |
| 10:30 – 11:15 | <p>Presentations focus on the foundations of financing as well as solutions at various scales.</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers understand foundations, planning and options for financing WASH.</i></p> | <p><i>Opening remarks:</i> Tough decisions that need to be made when developing a financing strategy. The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p><i>Remarks:</i> New modalities for financing the SDGs in West Africa: outcomes from the Dec 2015 Dakar conference. H.E. Mr. Amadou Mansour Faye, President of AMCOW and Minister of Hydraulics and Sanitation, Government of Senegal (TBC)</p> <p><i>Framing presentation:</i> Solving the problems of a mega-city and addressing universal access and the financing of water utilities. Mr. Jerson Kelman, CEO, SABESP, São Paulo</p> <p><i>Keynote address:</i> Financing the One WASH program. Mr. Abiy Girma, Coordinator, One WASH, Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Electricity, Government of Ethiopia</p> <p>Q and A in plenary</p> |
| | Session 8: Effective financing of the sanitation, water and hygiene sector (Ministerial groups) | |
| 11:15 – 13:00 | <p>Ministers share experiences on planning and effectively utilizing finance</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers identify financing tools and sources.</i></p> | <p>Country participants divide into groups, with a resource person, for a ministerial dialogue on financing issues.</p> <p>Themes each group discusses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managing domestic public financing Effective use of subsidies (design, pitfalls) Using market finance (capital markets) |

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| | | The following principles will guide the discussion: quality/safety, affordability, accessibility, availability, elimination of inequalities, sustainability, accountability and participation. |
| 13:00 – 14:30 | Lunch | Working lunch – countries meet with development partners |
| | Session 9: Delivering on the SDGs – using the SWA platform | |
| 14:30 – 15:15 | <p>Presentations and discussion focus on collaboration and accountability between partners and governments, including the monitoring of SWA's Collaborative Behaviours.</p> <p><i>Outcome: Ministers agree how to utilize the SWA platform for defining and reviewing the complementary behaviours to the building blocks, which are required for an effective sector.</i></p> | <p><i>Framing Presentation:</i> Ensuring multi-stakeholder dialogue and mutual accountability. Examples of accountability at national, regional (Ngor, AMCOW, Regional sanitation conferences -SACOSAN, Latinosan, AfricaSan, EASAN) and global levels, examples from other global partnerships, SWA's role in providing a multi-stakeholder platform for accountability and relevance to future UN processes, SWA scope includes development effectiveness, introduction of the collaborative behaviours Ms. Catarina de Albuquerque, Executive Chair, SWA</p> <p>Invited discussants respond</p> <p>A conversation, moderated by The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA, about the role of SWA and the Collaborative Behaviours.</p> |
| 15:15 – 15:45 | Break | |
| 15:45 – 17:00 | Session 10: Wrap up and next steps | |
| | <p>Present outcome document and resource kit</p> <p><i>Outcomes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ministers agree to define key milestones that can be reviewed in 1-2 year period around the building blocks</i> <i>Ministers and partners agree to monitor the collaborative behaviours.</i> <i>Ministers and partners define what SWA can offer in terms of learning, partnership and engaging finance ministries.</i> | <p>Call to order by The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p>Brief report from Ms. Clare Battle, WaterAid, on behalf of rapporteur team</p> <p>Brief statements from Civil Society Organisations (represented by Ms. Lajana Mandhahar, Lumanti), External Support Agencies (represented by Mr. George Turkington, Head, DFID), Research and Learning Institutions (represented by Mr. Patrick Moriarty, IRC), Private Sector (represented by Mr. Mamadou Dia, Aquafed).</p> <p>Presentation of outcome document with plans for dissemination: H.E. Mr. Motuma Mukassa, Minister for Water, Irrigation and Electricity, Government of Ethiopia</p> <p>Looking ahead to the Meeting of Finance Ministers in 2017. Ms. Jyoti Shukla, Senior Manager, Water and Sanitation Program, World Bank</p> <p>Plenary discussion moderated by The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA</p> <p>Concluding remarks from The Hon. Mr. Kevin Rudd, Chair, SWA, and Mr. Anthony Lake, Executive Director, UNICEF</p> |
| 17:00 | Close | |
| 19:00 | Dinner hosted by the Government of Ethiopia | |