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Ms. Lena Salame UNESCO-PCCP

Mr. Jean-François Donzier INBO

Dear Ms. Salame and Mr. Donzier,

As discussed during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thematic Coordination meeting in Istanbul in February, we have the pleasure of confirming the nomination of your organisations as Topic Coordinators for Topic 3.1 on Basin Management and Transboundary Cooperation. This decision has been confirmed by the International Steering Committee on 9 February 2008, the ultimate decision-making body to whom Thematic and Topic Coordinators, under the auspices of the Programme Committee, will be responsible for their work.

We welcome your continued involvement in the preparatory process for the 5<sup>th</sup> Forum and are available to assist you in any way possible.

For further information, please find here-attached the Thematic and Topic Coordination Guidelines that clarify the organisational process of the Forum. In accepting to become Topic Coordinator, we are asking you to honour the commitments described within this document, with the understanding that this invitation does not necessarily imply resource provision for carrying out the work related to the topic development. We are confident that, through the dedication of organisations like yours, the 5<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum will, indeed, bring forth new and innovative solutions to the water-related challenges the world faces.

Yours sincerely,

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Attachment: Guidelines for Thematic and Topic Coordination