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CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS
Thematic Working Groups of the OECD Initiative on Water Governance

BACKGROUND

1.   The possibility to contribute to Thematic Working Groups is open to all interested members willing to contribute to the Initiative's programme of work. Whenever possible, an international composition should be encouraged as well as the contribution of "out of the water box" stakeholders.

2.   Thematic Working Groups will be coordinated by a member of the Steering Committee, and are free to establish their own working methods while considering the following principles:

- *Openness and partnership*: All contributors are willing to cooperate with other relevant partners inside and outside the Working Group.

- *Reporting*: to the Steering Committee (quarterly basis) and to the members of the Initiative (biannual basis) on the progress and the bottlenecks in their activities, and the solutions to overcome the latter.

- *Evaluation*: All Working Groups will submit a biannual result-based evaluation report on the outcomes of their programmes of work to the Steering Committee, and results will be made public.

3.   Working Groups are free to communicate externally that they are working under the Initiative, and the Initiative will communicate about the Working Groups through its available channels.

4.   The Initiative is neither a funding programme nor a funding instrument. The activities of the Working Groups will <u>not</u> be funded by the Initiative. These are encouraged to seek their own financial support or employing their own resources.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

5.   Members willing to contribute to any of the 4 working groups are invited to send the application form duly completed (Annex I) to Aziza.Akhmouch@oecd.org by **15 of September 2013**. Selection of the received contributions will be made by the Steering Committee of the Initiative within 4 weeks from the closing date.

6.   Further Calls for contributions will be open at the end of each Initiative's programme of work (3 years) to keep the possibility to create new Working Groups over time based on demand.

7.   Contributors should fill in the below application form and demonstrate a clear link towards the Initiative's priorities:

- Support the implementation of the 6th WWF governance targets

- Contribute to the Policy Forum through the sharing of experience and good practices

- Support the design of OECD *Principles* on water governance

- Contribute to the design of Water Governance *Indicators*

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Template for applications
Thematic Working Groups' Contributors

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1.   **Contributor's contact information**
Specify name, institution, email address, phone number and any additional information of relevance

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2.   **Thematic Working Group concerned**
Specify in which Working Group the contributor will be engaged in from the list below:
☐ n°1 : Stakeholder engagement for effective water management and services
☐ n°2 : Performance of water supply and sanitation services
☒ n°3 : Basin governance
☐ n°4 : Integrity & Transparency

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3.   **Selected priority activities as specified in the Mandate of the Initiative on which the contributor will be engaged in**
Select priority activities in the list provided in the terms of references of the Thematic Working Groups

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- ➢ Identify and share best practices, bottlenecks and lessons learnt from failures
- ➢ Develop policy tools
- ➢ Produce/share analytical work
- ➢ Feed the discussions for the design of OECD Principles on Water Governance
- ➢ Organise events

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4.   **Description of the activities**
Specify the activities the contributor will be working on, including the following elements:
- *Description of the potential impact for the "good governance" targets' implementation*
- *Proposal of major questions to be addressed by the Working Group*
- *Proposal of challenges to be covered by the Working Group*
- *Potential governance tools to be used and/or good practices to be replicated to progress on the "good governance" targets' implementation*

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- ➢ "Multipurpose water use of hydropower reservoirs ": This Framework will address these 3 key issues :

  (i) How to avoid/minimize conflicts over the "competition" uses, and what tools?

  (ii) What approaches and governance arrangements can promote good coordinated management practices

  in terms of strategy, decision-making and management?

  (iii) How to set appropriate financing as well as the economy during operation of those facilities?

- ➢ "W4EF – Water for Energy Framework" (http://www.eip-water.eu). By 2015, establish a common terminology in parallel to a conceptual and analytical methodology for evaluation and reporting of the relations between all energy activities and water. Use of our works on the energy impacts on water in the design of indicators supporting basin governance and integrated water resources management.

- ➢ Share of good practices from our experience in contributing to basin governance.

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5.   **Specify preliminary deliverables and tentative calendar of activities**
Specify suggested deliverables and their time horizon in alignment with the mandate of the Initiative, and suggestions of activities for the Working Group's preliminary programme of work

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- ➤ Q2-2014 : "Sectorial Adaptation" workshops in Paris to adapt the W4EF Draft methodology to each sector.
- ➤ Q4-2014 : "Sectorial Case study" workshops for testing the Framework W4EF. Presentation of the revised methodology at the "Water and Energy" Conference in Lyon (France - 29-31 October)
- ➤ Q2-2014 : Finalisation of the Scoping Paper for the Framework "Multipurpose water use of hydropower reservoirs "
- ➤ Q4-2014 : Circulation of the first draft Framework "Multipurpose water use of hydropower reservoirs " to the different stakeholders engaged in the process and presentation of the first results at the "Water and Energy" Conference in Lyon (France - 29-31 October).
- ➤ Q4-2014 : Publication on case studies and good practices in basin governance, focusing on water and energy issues.