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Description

Water security is a condition whereby there is reliable availability of water resources –in both quality and quantity– to sustain the health and livelihoods of populations, to foster an inclusive socio-economic development, to preserve ecosystem services and, more broadly, to achieve sustainable development. Water security also means that water related risks are managed to the point of being socially acceptable.

As such a polity's capacity for water security increasingly depends on a range of societal forces that if coordinated, to enable cooperation and synergies, can help to attain it in a timely and efficient manner.

This seminar will explore the notion of water security from different, but complementary angles of water resources management. It will bring to the fore the experience of several organisations working in the pursuit of water security across the Latin American and Caribbean Region. The session will highlight the need for greater cooperation and will seek to reinforce existing partnerships to support water security in the Region.

Programme

09:00 Opening and Welcome. *Mexican Government Representative*

09:10 Introduction. *Mr. Roberto Olivares, ANEAS*

Water Resources Management for Water Security

09:25 Green Growth and the Water Security Nexus. *Dr. Aziza Akhmouch, OECD*

09:35 IWRM and the Pursuit of Water Security. *Mr. Jean-Francois Donzier, INBO*

Water Services Management and Cities' Water Security

09:50 Integrated Management of the Urban Water Cycle. *Mr. Ger Bergkamp, IWA*

10:00 MDG's post 2015 and the Human Right to Water. *Dr. Blanca Jimenez-Cisneros, UNESCO-IHP*

Response to Extreme Weather Events

10:15 Prevention, Response and Mitigation of Damages from Extreme Weather Events. *WBO*

10:25 Investment in water security. *WB*

10:15 Panel Discussion

Facilitator: Mr. Roberto Olivares, ANEAS

10:40 Coffee Break

Water Security Responses to Extreme Weather Events

11:00 Prevention, Response and Mitigation of Damages from Extreme Weather Events. *Mr. Bruce Stewart, WMO*

11:10 Investments in Water Security. *Ms. Karin Kemper, WB*

Water Security a Precondition for Food Security and Environmental Sustainability

11:25 The Water, Food and Energy Nexus. *FAO*

11:35 Water Security and the Conservation of Nature. *TNC*

11:50 Panel Discussion

Facilitator: Dr. Vidal Garza, FEMSA Foundation

12:15 Closing and Final Reflections: Fostering Partnerships for Regional Cooperation on Water Security. *CONAGUA and ANEAS*

Resources

Not available yet.

Conclusion

Not available yet.