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Welcome to Libreville, Gabon



H.E. Hon. Patrick Eyogo Edzang
Host, Minister for Water and Energy, Gabon

On behalf of the Government of Gabon, I warmly and proudly welcome you to amazing Gabon and the scenic and vibrant Libreville. Welcome to the 7th Africa Water Week and 11th AMCOW General Assembly hosted by the Government and good people of Gabon. The Republic of Gabon deems the hosting of the epoch making and biggest water and sanitation event in Africa very important and significant.

It is my pleasure therefore to welcome colleague Ministers from the continent, our development partners, civil society, especially the youth and women, the knowledge and scientific community, media and other distinguished participants. You have arrived at the vibrant, muscular heart of Gabon, the largest city and home to over a third of Gabon's population.

It is gratifying to note that the theme of the 7th Africa Water Week is "Toward Achieving Water Security and Safely Managed Sanitation for Africa". Accomplishing water security is imperative to safeguard sustainable access to adequate quantities of acceptable quality water to maintaining livelihoods, human well-being, and socio-economic development. It also helps us to ensure protection against water-borne pollution and water-related disasters, and for preserving ecosystems in a climate of peace and political stability. Equally important is the need to provide our teeming populations with safely managed sanitation services.

As we go through the week, let us take stock of our far we have gone in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goal 6 and the critical actions that we should take if we are not to be left behind by the rest of the world come the 2030 target date of reckoning. I charge you to bring innovation to the fore as you deliberate at the technical sessions and other seminars. Let us strive to bring pragmatic solutions that we can learn from and apply to our local situations; and also to set SMART targets and performance indicators to keep us accountable to the political commitments that we make. I definitely look forward to the outcomes of this conference.

Once again, welcome to Libreville and I use this medium to assure you that driven by its duties and obligations, the Government of Gabon will take all necessary measures to ensure the safety and well-being of all participants during your stay in our country.

Welcome! Bienvenue!! Karibu!!! Bem-vindo!!! „föÖ“

Welcome Statement of the AMCOW President



Hon. Prof. Makame Mbarawa (MP)
AMCOW President /
Minister of Water and Irrigation, Tanzania

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 7th Africa Water Week and the 11th AMCOW General Assembly. I am glad that this event is taking place in the beautiful capital city of Gabon, Libreville, the gleaming coastline city.

On behalf of the Executive Committee and the Council of Ministers of the African Ministers Council of Water (AMCOW), I express our sincere gratitude to my counterpart Minister for Water Resources and Energy, Gabon, H.E. Hon. Patrick EyogoEdzang, and indeed the government of the Republic of Gabon for graciously agreeing to host this 7th edition of Africa Water Week and the 11th AMCOW General Assembly.

The theme of the 7th Africa Water Week is “Toward Achieving Water Security and Safely Managed Sanitation for Africa”. The choice of the theme is an amplification of the current perspective of AMCOW in its recently approved strategy 2018-2030 concerning what needs to be done to improve water security and safely managed sanitation in the continent. We believe that the level of reliable quantity and quality of water in the continent is too low, and the level of water-related risk is too high, and both are unacceptable. AMCOW’s new strategy therefore calls that such water insecurity must be addressed through a holistic and action-oriented framework that is able to support the Africa’s Member States water entities, populations, the private sector, and the environment. AMCOW posits that sustainable development in Africa will not be achieved without greatly improved water security, and that significant investment must be made in Africa’s water management institutions, its infrastructure, and its ability to make trade-offs where needed, compromises where possible, and synergies that show how to achieve “win-win” situations between water, agriculture, and energy.

This theme could not have come at a more auspicious time than now as we make inroads in to the SDG period to take stock of our performance thus far. It is heart-warming that that some of the objectives of the conference are to:

- Share lessons of progress and good practices in water security management plans.
- Share lessons and good practices on enhancing water and sanitation resilience to climate change.
- Share lessons and good practices for eliminating open defecation from communities.
- Promote the use of an inclusive range of existing and new sanitation technologies, innovative business models, and other creative approaches critical to achieving significant sanitation progress in member countries; and
- Contribute to developing strategies on raising adequate and sustainable financing of water and sanitation agendas.

The 7th Africa Water Week is therefore a call to action and positions us to creatively think and act and win. I welcome you all, colleague Ministers, Parliamentarians, Councillors, civil society, private sector, donors, international development partners, youths and women to Libreville, Gabon. Let’s go and make it happen.

AMCOW EXCO



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Dr. Canisius Kanangire
Executive Secretary, AMCOW

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OPENING PLENARY

Monday 29th October 2018

08.30 – 09.00	Entertainment
09.00 – 09.10	Introductory Statement: Dr. Canisius Kanangire, AMCOW Executive Secretary
09.10 – 09.20	Welcome Statements: Hon. Prof. Makame Mbarawa (MP), Minister for Water & Irrigation, Tanzania / AMCOW President
09.20 – 09.30	H.E. Ambassador Ahmad Allam-Mi, Secretary General, ECCAS
09.30 – 09.40	Goodwill Statements: Ms. Wambui GICHURI, Director for Water Development and Sanitation Department and African Water Facility
09.40 – 09.50	Jennifer Sara, Senior Director, Water Global Practice, The World Bank Group tbc
09.50 – 10.00	Special Video Clip on Water and Sanitation Message from H.E. Ms. Amina Mohammed, UN Deputy Secretary General tbc
10.00 – 10.15	Key Statement Her Excellency, Sacko Josefa Leonel Correa, AU Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture
10.15 – 10.30	Cultural Entertainment
10.30 – 10.40	Welcome speech: Hon. Patrick Eyogo Edzang, Host Minister for Water and Energy, Gabon
10.40 – 11.00	Opening Statement / Launch of the AMCOW Strategy 2018 - 2030 His Excellency Ali Bongo Ondimba, President, Republic of Gabon
11.00 – 11.30	Opening of Exhibition / Coffee Break His Excellency, President Ali Bongo Ondimba accompanied by the AU Commissioner, AMCOW President, Host Minister and other VIP
11.30 – 12.30	Opening Plenary continues Goodwill Messages Hon. Ahmadou Mansour FAYE, Minister for Water and Sanitation, Senegal / Chair. African Water Facility Mr. Ross Hamilton, GWP Global President (Chair)
12.30 – 14.00	L u n c h
14.00 – 17.30	11th General Assembly of the AMCOW Council of the Ministers presided by the AMCOW President supported by the AU Commissioner

Lead Conveners

Sub theme 1:
Water Security:
Infrastructure,
Investments
and Innovation



Sub theme 2:
Choices, Approaches
and Actions for safely
managed sanitation
in Africa by 2030



Sub theme 3:
Water Governance:
re-engineering the
IWRM, the nexus
approach in action



Sub theme 4:
Financing the
Africa's SDG 6
ambitions: Beyond
political declarations...



Session Conveners



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Breakout Sessions Overview



BREAKOUT SESSIONS OVERVIEW

Monday - 29th October 2018

Time: 12:30 - 14:00

Lunch

Time: 14:00 - 15:30

Sub Theme 1
Towards an Africa Water Investment Programme, opportunities and challenges
Convener: GWP
Co-Conveners(s): AUC, AMCOW, AfDB-AWF, World Bank, CRIDF

Sub Theme 2
Learning from Uganda: Multi-stakeholder approaches to safely managed sanitation in urban contexts, focus on FSM
Convener: GIZ
Co-Conveners(s): Kampala City Council Authority

Sub Theme 3
A hybrid approach to water legislation in Africa
Conveners: IWMI & Pegasys Institute
Co-Conveners(s): National Water Authorities Kenya, Uganda, others (tbc)

Sub Theme 4:
Setting the Stage
Convener: AfDB
Co-Conveners(s): UNICEF, Global Water Partnership, African Water Association

Cross Cutting Stream

Time: 15:30 - 16:00

Tea Break

Time: 16:00 - 17:30

AfDB High Five and Water Security
Convener: African Development Bank - African Water Facility

Opportunities for Developing the Sanitation Sector
Convener: AfDB
Co-Conveners(s): BMGF

Integrating Gender Equality and Female Empowerment in IWRM as a Strategy to Achieving Water Security
Convener(s): UNESCO-IHP and UNESCO WWAP

A paradigm shift in pro-poor financing for water and sanitation in Africa
Convener: GIZ
Co-Conveners(s): World Bank Water Global Practice

Tuesday - 30th October 2018

Time: 9:00 - 10:30

Water Secure Africa (WASA) Initiative: Harnessing Big Data to Improve Water Management
Convener: International Water Management Institute
Co-Conveners(s): AMCOW, National Water Resources Commission/Authority of Ghana, Sierra Leone, Kenya and Tanzania

Boosting access to sanitation in African cities through peer-to-peer learning partnerships of sanitation operators
Convener: AFWA

Fostering scientific and technical capacities and competencies in Africa's Water Sector through the AU-NEPAD Water Centres of Excellence
Convener: UNESCO IHP
Co-Conveners(s): European Commission-Joint Research Centre

Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Initiative (RWSSI) Strategic Plan 2018-2025
Convener: African Development Bank (AfDB)
Co-Conveners(s): AMCOW, UNICEF, Ministère de l'Hydraulique et de l'Assainissement du Sénégal, WaterAid.

Drinking Water Laboratory Capacity Program in Ghana: Protecting Public Health Through a Documented Quality System
Convener(s): US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA)/ Ghana Water Company Limited (GWCL)

Time: 10:30 - 11:00

Tea Break

Tuesday - 30th October 2018

Sub Theme 1	Sub Theme 2	Sub Theme 3	Sub Theme 4	Cross Cutting Stream
Demonstrating political leadership in the African Water Revolution Convener: SIWI	Reducing Inequalities in WASH – Working Together to protect the Foundations of Development Convener: ANEW	Implementing IWRM in the 2030 Agenda Convener: UNEP-DHI Centre on Water and Environment Co-Conveners: UN Environment, GWP	The Investment Promotion and the Role of the Private Sector in financing the achievement of the SDG 6 Convener: AWF Co-Conveners: Waterpreneurs, UDUMA	The Role of Science in building Peace and International Cooperation in Transboundary Waters Convener: UNESCO-IHP
Time: 11:00 - 12:30				
Time: 15:30 - 16:00				
Water Wise: The time is now to apply Smart Water Management Convener: UNESCO i-WSSM Co-Conveners: UNESCO Division of Water Sciences	Looking back and moving forward on the Ngor commitments for universal sanitation access in Africa Convener: AMCOW Co-Conveners: UNICEF & USAID/WALIS	Promoting Youth Engagement in Water Governance through Youth-Led Research and Innovation Convener(s): UNESCO-IHP & International Science Council Regional Office for Africa	Climate Change Funds and Water Convener(s): AfDB & GWP Africa Co-Conveners(s): ACCF, Clim-CRIDE and AfDB-AWF	Session by Host Government on Sanitation Convener: Ministry of Water and Energy, Gabon
Time: 14:00-15:30				
Time: 15:30 - 16:00				
Hydro Climate Services for Water Security Convener: UNESCO IHP	Monitoring the enabling environment for sanitation through GLAAS and TrackFin Convener: WHO	IWRM in Africa: Lessons learnt from AWF's operations Convener: AfDB Co-Conveners(s): ANBO, INBO, GWP, CIWA	Innovative financing of integrated water resources management: Case of the Congo Basin Blue Fund (FBBC) Convener(s): ECCAS & CICOS	
Time: 16:00 - 17:30				
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Wednesday - 31st October 2018

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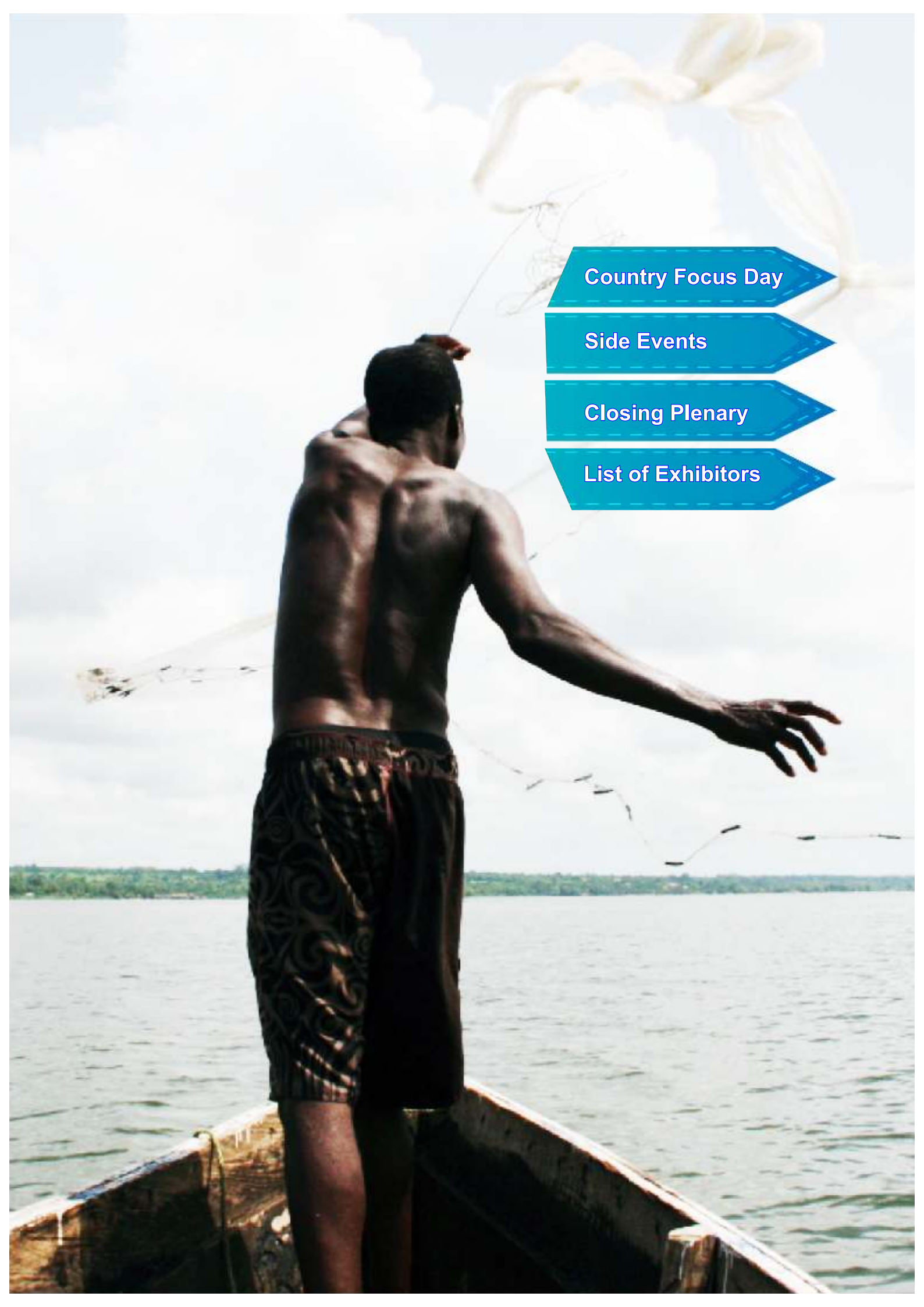
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Sub Theme 1	Sub Theme 2	Sub Theme 3	Sub Theme 4	Cross Cutting Stream
Groundwater's contribution to Africa's Water Security Convener(s): UPGro with AMCOW	Improving WASH Evidence-Based Decision-Making (IWED) for Safely Managed Sanitation in Tanzania Convener: USAID-WALIS (Lead) with Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, MoHCDGEC and Water Aid Tanzania	How legal and institutional frameworks for transboundary water cooperation support governance and development Convener: UNECE Co-Convener(s): ANBO, AMCOW, Green Cross International, IUCN (tbc), WWF, Senegal, Chad	Beyond Political Declarations: What specific measures governments and stakeholders can put in place to ensure efficient use of financial allocations and infrastructures' development in the sector Conveners: WIN, AfDB Co-Convener(s): IRC Regional Office for West Africa and GWP West Africa.	
Time: 09.00 - 10.30				
Time: 10.30 - 11.00				
Aquifer exploration as a key for water security in Africa Convener: BGR	Inclusive and sustainable urban water, sanitation and drainage services under climate change – lessons from African cities Convener: South North Co-Convener(s): Climate and Development Knowledge Network	Introducing the Africa Sanitation Policy Guidelines Convener(s): AMCOW, WHO, BMGF, Center for Water Security and Cooperation	SWA's High Level Political Dialogue and Mutual Accountability: Empowering partners to hold each other accountable beyond political WASH declarations Convener: SWA Co-Convener(s): AMCOW, WaterAid, ANEW	
Time: 11.00 - 12.30				
Time: 12:30 - 14:00				
Lunch				
Time: 12:30 - 14:00				
Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars

Thursday 1st November 2018

Sub Theme 1	Sub Theme 2	Sub Theme 3	Sub Theme 4:	Cross Cutting Stream
Innovations in water quality monitoring Convenor: UN Environment's Global Environment Monitoring System for Freshwater (GEMS/Water)	Contextual Analysis of Sanitation in Gabon: Opportunities and Perspectives in relation to the SDGs Convenor: Ministry of Water and Energy, Gabon	Promote sustainable ground-water resources management within the framework of IWRM in L/RBOs and RECs Convenor: UNESCO-IHP Co-Convenor(s): ANBO, AMCOW, BGR, UNECE	Market led Solutions for Sanitation Financing: WaterAid Insights on Innoson and Lixil partnership in Nigeria Convenor: WaterAid Co-Convenor(s): Lixil, Innoson Group of Companies	
Time: 14:00 - 15:30				
Time: 15:30 - 16:00				
Tea Break				
Managing Climate Change Risks to Hydropower in East and Southern Africa Convenor: South South North	Using the SWA Collaborative Behaviors to improve the enabling environment for safely managed sanitation in Africa Convenor: SWA (Lead) Co-Convenor(s): WHO - GLAAS; WaterAid, South Sudan, Kenya, USAID	Influencing Policy and Practice – the Africa Groundwater Commission and Research for Development Convenor: AMCOW with UPGro (Skat Foundation)	Climate resilient water infrastructure planning and finance in Africa: Challenges, prospects and opportunities Convenor(s): GWP Africa, CRIDF and AfdB-AWF Co-Convenor(s): OMVS, ORASECOM, REGIDESO	
Time: 16:00 - 17:30				
17.30 - 19.00	Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars	Side Meetings/Seminars



A photograph of a man from behind, standing in a wooden boat on a body of water. He is shirtless and wearing patterned shorts, and is in the process of casting a large, light-colored fishing net into the air. The background shows a calm lake or river with a distant shoreline under a cloudy sky.

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COUNTRY FOCUS DAY

Wednesday 31st October 2018

09.00 – 09.05	Introduction by Moderator
09.05 - 09.25	Presentation by Selected Country Gabon (Central African Region)
09.25 – 09.45	Selected Country (North African Region) Climate
09.45 - 10.05	Selected Country (East African Region) Water Supply
10.05 - 10.25	Selected Country (South African Region) Sanitation
10.25 - 10.45	Selected Country (West African Region) Senegal
10.45 - 11.00	Blue Fund Presentation of Africa Sanitation Policy Guidelines ASPG)
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30 - 13.00	High Level Ministerial Dialogue: Accelerating Investments in water infrastructure through project Preparation in Africa Convener: AMCOW Co-Conveners: GWP/AfDB/World Bank/NEPAD-PIDA
13.00 - 14.15	Lunch
14.15 - 15.45	High Level Ministerial Dialogue: Linkage between WASH and Poverty Convener: AMCOW Co-Conveners: World Bank
15.45 - 16.15	Coffee Break
16.15 - 17.30	11th General Assembly Closing Plenary
16.15 - 16.25	Statement by Hon. Prof. Makame Mbarawa (MP), Minister for Water & Irrigation, Tanzania /Outgoing AMCOW President
16.25 - 16.35	Statement by Her Excellency, Sacko Josefa Leonel Correa, AU Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture
16.35 - 16.45	Introduction of the newly Elected AMCOW President / EXCO
16.45 - 17.00	Handover Ceremony to AMCOW Incoming President
17.00 - 17.15	Acceptance Speech by AMCOW Incoming President
17.15 - 17.30	Group Photograph
17.30 -	11th General Assembly Ends / Press Conference

SIDE EVENTS

Tuesday 30th October 2018

Lunch time: 12.30 – 13.30

1. Title: District based initiative for SDG6: building country systems, leveraging partnerships
Convener: IRC Ghana
Venue: Breakout Room 1
2. Title: “Menstrual Hygiene, more than just management? Dialogue and debate”
Convener: Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
Venue: Breakout Room 2

Evening: 17.30 – 19.00

1. Title: Acceleration of Project Preparation and Financing of PIDA Water Priority Transboundary and Hydropower Projects
Convener(s): NEPAD Planning and Coordination Agency (NPCA), GWP
Co-Convener(s): AUC, AMCOW, AfDB-AWF, World Bank, AWF
Venue: Breakout Room 1
2. Title: Roadmap to 9th World Water Forum, Dakar 2021
Convener(s): Government of Senegal represented by Ministry of Water Resources and Sanitation
Venue: Breakout Room 2
3. Title: Women, Water and Leadership: Access to Water and increasing agricultural yields by empowered women
Convener: Women for Water Partnership
Co-Convener(s): Soroptimist International; UNESCO-IHP
Venue: Breakout Room 3
4. Title: AfriAlliance: The Africa-EU Innovation Alliance for Water and Climate
Convener: IHE Delft Institute for Water Education
Venue: Breakout Room 4
5. Title: Services for Transboundary Lake/River/Groundwater Basins
Convener: ANBO (African Network for Basin Organizations)
Venue: Breakout Room 5

Thursday 1st November 2018

Evening: 17.30 – 19.00

6. Title: Water Quality programme: Lesson Learnt and Knowledge Sharing
Convener: AfWA
Venue: Breakout Room 2

CLOSING PLENARY

Time	Friday 2nd November 2018
09.00 - 09.10	Introduction
09.10 - 09.45	Adoption of the Libreville Multi-stakeholders' Declaration
09.45 - 09.55	Statement by Her Excellency, Sacko Josefa Leonel Correa, AU Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture
09.55 - 10.05	Closing Speech by AMCOW President / Host Minister
11.00 - 18.00	Technical / Tourism Tours

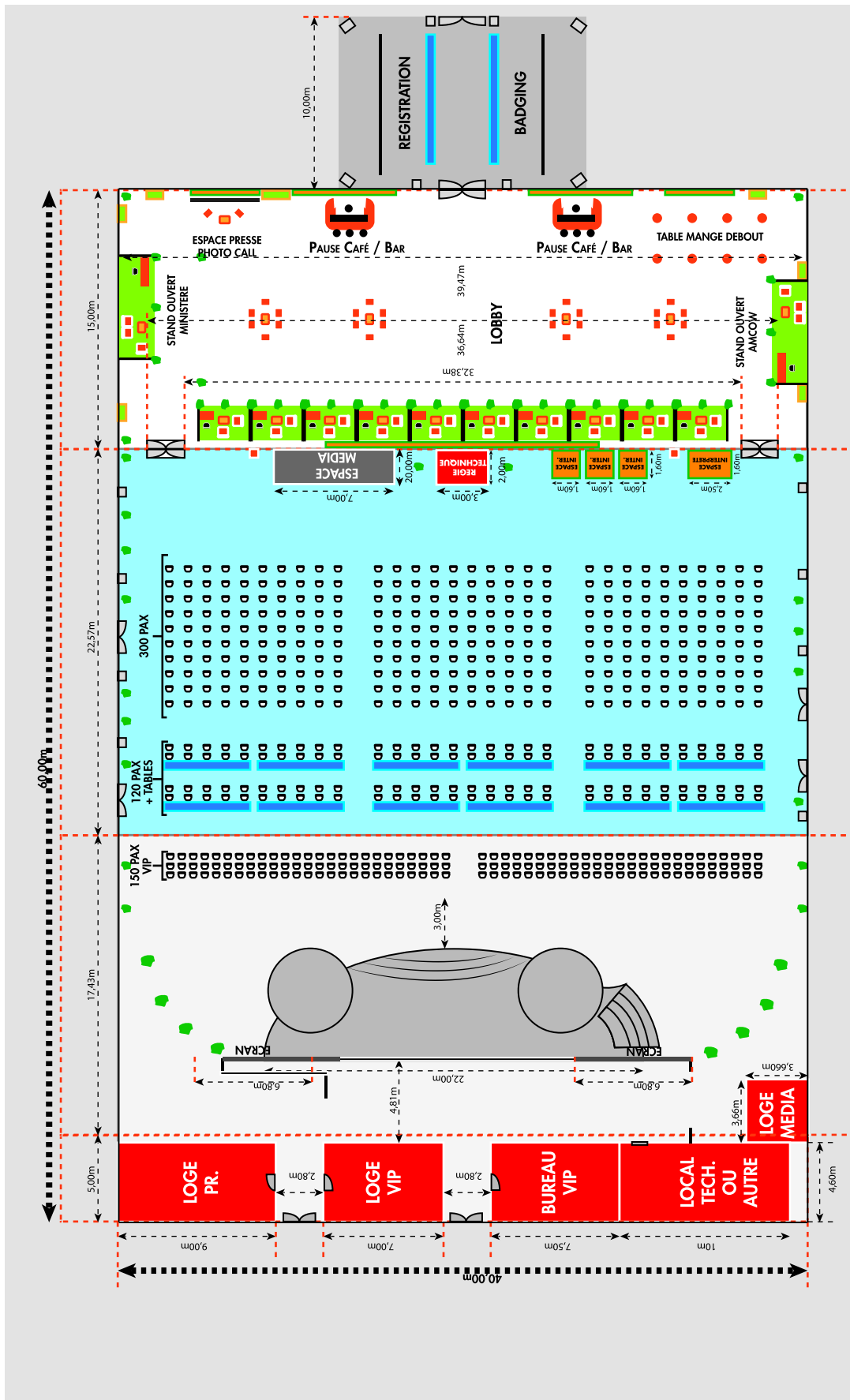


Exhibitors

No	Organisation	Assigned Booth
1	The Government of the Republic of Gabonne	4 x 2
2	International Water Management Institute (IWMI)	2 x 2
3	African Water Association (AfWA)	4 x 2
4	African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW)	4 x 2
5	GWP	4 x 2
6	Ministère de l'Hydraulique et de l'Assainissement du Sénégal	4 x 2
7	IGEMS Water Unit, UN Environment	4 x 2
8	Projet ANBO –UNDP GEF	4 x 2
9	WIN /CNPIDE - BF	2 x 2
10	Lilongwe Water Board	4 x 2
11	WaterAid	4 x 2



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