

Preparatory meeting
of the United Nations Conference on the Midterm Comprehensive Review of the
Implementation of the Objectives of the International Decade for Action
“Water for Sustainable Development”, 2018–2028

25 October 2022

UN Headquarters

Draft agenda:

10:00 - 10:45 Opening and introduction

- H.E. Mr. Csaba Kőrösi, President of the General Assembly
- H.E. Ms. Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary General of the United Nations (*video message*)
- Co-hosts of the UN 2023 Water Conference – video messages by
 - o H.E. Emomali Rahmon, President of the Republic of Tajikistan and
 - o H.E. Mark Rutte, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of the Netherlands
- Mr. Gilbert F. Hounbo, Director-General of the International Labour Organization, Chair of UN-Water
- Mr. Li Junhua, Under Secretary General for Economic and Social Affairs, Secretary of the Conference – including on overview of the themes of the Interactive Dialogues of the UN 2023 Water Conference

10:45 - 11:05: Key messages from the consultation with stakeholders on 24 October regarding integrated ideas for transformative game changers related to the themes of the Interactive Dialogues by the Office of President of the General Assembly and stakeholders

11:05 - 13:00 - Exchange of views with participating states and relevant stakeholders on the themes of the Interactive Dialogues of the UN 2023 Water Conference

13:00 - 15:00 Lunch break

15:00 - 15:15: Finalization of themes of the Interactive Dialogues of the UN 2023 Water Conference

15:15-17:00 Call to Action for the Water Action Agenda: Exchange of views with participating states and relevant stakeholders on integrated ideas for transformative game changers related to the Water Action Agenda

17:00 -17:45 Presentation of outstanding organizational matters by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), followed by Q&A from the floor

17:45-18:00 Wrap-up and closing by the President of the General Assembly

The official document for the Preparatory meeting of 25 October is the background note by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs as Secretary-General of the Conference, prepared in consultation with Member States, with the support of UN-Water and relevant United Nations entities as mandated by General Assembly resolution A/RES/75/212 (para 9b), to present proposals for the themes of the interactive dialogues of the UN 2023 Water Conference.

The preparatory meeting will be preceded by a consultation with stakeholders on 24 October 2022.