



World Water Day 2024

Water as a catalyst for cooperative climate action and peace

22 March 2024, 10:00 – 11:30 CET

Time	Agenda Item
10:00 – 10:25	<p>Opening</p> <p><i>Welcome remarks:</i> WMO Secretary-General, Professor Celeste Saulo</p> <p><i>Master of the Ceremony:</i> Stefan Uhlenbrook, Director, Hydrology, Water and Cryosphere, WMO</p>
	<p><i>Introductory remarks:</i> Ambassador Anita Pipan, Permanent Representative of Slovenia</p>
	<p><i>Opening Remarks:</i> Tatiana Molcean, UNECE Executive Secretary</p>
	<p><i>Presentation of the main messages of the World Water 2024 theme:</i> Bruce Gordon, UN-Water Vice-Chair</p>
10:25 – 11:25	<p>Panel discussion</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Sibylle Vermont, Deputy Head of Global Affairs Section in the International Affairs Division, Federal Office for the Environment, Switzerland and member of the Water Convention Bureau</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Permanent Representative of Iraq:</i> Ambassador Abdul-Karim Hashim Mostafa • <i>Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone:</i> Ambassador Lansana Gberie • <i>UNECE:</i> Francesca Bernardini, Chief of the Transboundary Cooperation Section • <i>WMO:</i> Sulagna Mishra, WMO Scientific Officer • <i>IOM:</i> Rania Sharshr, Director of the Climate Action Division • <i>Geneva Water Hub:</i> Caroline Pellaton, GWH Corporate Operations Manager • <i>Global Water Partnership:</i> Alan AtKisson, GWP Executive Secretary
11:25 – 11:30	<p>Closing</p> <p><i>Master of the Ceremony:</i> Stefan Uhlenbrook, Director, Hydrology, Water and Cryosphere, WMO</p>