Closing Ceremony



Youth delegates during the closing ceremony



Youth delegates said their participation at the World Water Forum was due to their capability, not their vulnerability, and stressed that they wanted to be partners in the process, not stakeholders.



Hitoshi Ohshima, Executive Officer on Global Environmental Policy, Japan



Marcella D'Souza (left) accepted the prize on behalf of the Watershed Organization Trust, India, stressing that water must be a uniting force





Klaus Töpfer, former UNEP Executive Director



Ben Braga, Vice-President, World Water Council



Oktay Tabasaran, Secretary General, World Water Forum



Tomris Türmen, Former Executive Director of the World Health Organization



Delegates listening to Tomris Türmen's speech



Hasan Zuhuri Sarikaya, Undersecretary, Ministry of Envrionment



L-R: Loïc Fauchon, President of the World Water Council, and Oktay Tabasaran, Secretary General, World Water Forum



Musicians performed during the closing ceremony

Ministerial Conference Closing



L-R: Vural Altay, Minister of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey; Veysel Eroğlu, Minister for Environment and Forestry, Turkey; and Sumuru Noyan, Chair of the Ministerial Process



Asfaw Dingano, Minister of Water Resources, Ethiopia

A representative of the Gender and Water Alliance argued that "the Ministerial Declaration seems to go back in time"



Presentations of the main outcomes of Ministerial Roundtables





Ministerial Roundtable: Implementing the Right to Water and Sanitation Agentias Bolive Bugaris, Buters Faso, Chile, Ecuador, Span, France, Germany, Wetas, Indowas Lass, Makagacar, Sasterland, The Netherlands, Uniguay, European Contributes and African Union UBBAR, UN DEEx, WSSCC, Women in Europe for a common future, Business

Co-chairs: Switzerland & Uruguay

Main issues discussed

How to implement the right to water and sanitation



David Boys, Public Services International



A representative of Business Action for Water said that: water is critical for business, and business for the economy and employment



Veysel Eroğlu, Minister for Environment and Forestry, Turkey



Ger Bergkamp, Director General, World Water Council



L-R: Oktay Tabasaran, Secretary General, World Water Forum, and Veysel Eroğlu, Minister for Environment and Forestry, Turkey, who shared a Turkish proverb with participants





The audience applauded Veysel Eroğlu's speech





Delegates prior to the start of the conference







Mehmet Mehdi Eker, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Turkey, at the end of the Ministerial Conference Closing

World Water Day



L-R: Johan Kuylenstierna (left), Chief Technical Advisor, UN Water, facilitating the high level round table on "Adapting to global changes in transboundary basins," to commemorate World Water Day 2009. Seated from L-R: Anders Berntell, Executive Director, Stockholm International Water Institute; Rhoda Peace Tumusiime, Commissioner, Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission; Sibylle Vermont, Vice Chairperson, Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes; Angela Cropper, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP; Shadda Attili, Chair, Palestinian Water Authority; and Alfred Duda, Senior Advisor International Waters, Global Environment Facility



L-R: Sibylle Vermont, Vice Chair of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes; Angela Cropper, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP; and Shaddad Attili, Chair, Palestinian Water Authority



András Szöllösy-Nagy, UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)



Rhoda Tumusiime, Commissioner, Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission (AUC)



Delegates listening to András Szöllösy-Nagy's speech





UN-Water Chair Pasquale Steduto



Jon Martin Trondalen, Chair, Compass Foundation

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