

Topics:

- What is the human right to water and sanitation?
- Who has the right to water ?
- Is the recognition of water and sanitation as human right enough?
- What are the obligations of the state?
- Is there a role for other actors?
- Does the right to water mean water should be free?
- What is the relation to other human rights?
- What is the impact of the resolution on the human right to water and sanitation so far?
- How do the media deal with this?

The workshop is open for registration.

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UN-Water

Orientation Workshop

The Human Right to Water and Sanitation

Venue: UN Campus, "Langer Eugen"

a few steps from the Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum

9:00 – 18:00 on Sunday, 19 June 2011
Editorial sessions on 20 / 21 June 2011

At present, 884 million people lack access to an improved water source, 2.6 billion do not have access to improved sanitation, and 1.1 billion still practice open defecation. Clean water and sanitation would save the lives of countless children, support progress in education and liberate people from the illnesses that keep them in poverty. The majority of those who do not have access to safe drinking water and sanitation are the poor, in both urban and rural areas.

July 2010 - for the first time, a UN Resolution formally recognizes the human right to water and sanitation and acknowledges that clean drinking water and sanitation are essential to the realization of all human rights.

Ensuring that every person has access to at least 20 liters of clean water each day to meet basic needs is a minimum requirement for respecting the right to water. The adoption and recognition of the human right to water and sanitation is a breakthrough in the more than 20 years of international discussion.

In the framework of the Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum a one day journalist workshop on 19 June, 2011, is organized by UN-Water, the United Nations coordination mechanism on water followed by editorial sessions on 20 / 21 June, 2011, at DWGMF.

The workshop discusses the human right to water and sanitation with international journalists, who participate in the DWGMF, and experts to examine how communication impacts and influences on this important issue and how it is related to other human rights. It provides an opportunity for participants to obtain first hand information on the topic, to share and reflect on their experiences in reporting on human right stories and on water and sanitation as human right (challenges and what works!).

Agenda Journalist Orientation Workshop

“The Human Right to Water and Sanitation”

19.06.2011

Venue: Room 2112 - The room is located on floor level 21 at
UN Campus "Langer Eugen", Hermann-Ehlers-Str-10, 53113 Bonn, Germany
S-Bahn/tram stop "Heussallee/Museumsmeile" on the 16/66 tram line

Facilitator/Trainer: Kieran Cooke (Journalist)

- 09:00-09:15 Welcome and overview – *Josefina Maestu (UNW-DPAC)*
09:15-09:45 Presentation participants
09:45-10:00 Information resources in the UN-System - *Ulrike Kelm (UNW-DPAC)*

10:00 – 10:15 Coffee Break

- 10:15 – 10:30 Introduction to the theme “the Human Right to Water and Sanitation”
– *Josefina Maestu (UNW-DPAC)*
10:30-10:45 Discussion with participants
10:45-11:00 Case – Sanitation as a Human Right – *Amanda Marlin (WSSCC)*
11:00 – 11:15 Case: South Africa – *Rolfe Eberhard*
11:15- 12:00 Discussion, experiences from journalists and introduction Working group

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

- 13:00- 15:00 Working groups

15:00-15:30 Coffee break

- 15:30-16:30 Lessons learnt from experiences of capacity development for water and environmental journalists – *Reza Ardakanian (UNW-DPC)*
16:30–17:30 Lessons learnt from the workshop, discussion, wrap up
17:30-18:00 Conference Reporting

20.06.2011

Venue: *Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum
World Conference Center Bonn (WCCB),
Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn, Germany*

- 09:00-10:00: Conference reporting session:** Presentation of plans for the conference and feedback by peers and programme organisers and facilitators. (Venue DWGMF – Room to be announced on 19. June) - *Kieran Cooke (Trainer), Ulrike Kelm (UNW-DPC)*
- 10:00-12:00 Attendance to the DWMF Sessions**
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch time Editorial session 1** (Venue DWGMF – Room to be announced on 19. June) - *Kieran Cooke (Trainer), Ulrike Kelm (UNW-DPC)*
- 14:00-15:30 The Human Right to Water and Sanitation** (Venue DWGMF Room A/B)
Moderator: Ben Parker, UN News Editor
Speakers:
- Catarina de Albuquerque, United Nations Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council on the Human Right to Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation
 - Rolfe Eberhard, Energy and Development Research Centre of the University of Cape Town
 - Amanda Marlin, Programme Manager, Advocacy and Communication, Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC)
 - Kieran Cooke, Journalist

21.06.2011

Venue: *Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum
World Conference Center Bonn (WCCB),
Platz der Vereinten Nationen 2, 53113 Bonn, Germany*

- 12:00-13:00 Lunch time Editorial session 2, Wrap-up, lessons learnt** (Venue DWGMF – Room to be announced on 19. June) – *Ulrike Kelm (UNW-DPC)*

You are invited to register to the journalist workshop

Registration and participation is free of charge

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