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## EDITORIAL

### HISTORICAL

We are there! The 9th World Water Forum Dakar 2022 starts this Monday, March 21, 2022, at the Palais des Sports Dakar Arena and will continue until March 26, 2022, at the Abdou Diouf International Conference Center of Diamniadio, located 30 km from the capital of Senegal. Organized under the theme of «Water Security for Peace and Development», the 9th World Forum is the largest international event on water and will bring together more than 10,000 participants. The Dakar meeting is already shaping up to be historic in several respects.



It is the first time that an international event of this magnitude has been organized in sub-Saharan Africa, a part of the world where the challenges of universal access to water and sanitation are most acute against a backdrop of poverty and growing pressures related to climate change, rapid population growth, uncontrolled urbanization, pollution, etc.

Secondly, the Executive Secretariat of the Forum, together with the World Water Council, has opted to work towards an inclusive and participatory approach with all actors and stakeholders, in order to meet both the organizational challenge and the objective of the «Dakar of Responses».

The Forum will be enhanced by the holding of a Summit of Heads of State and International Organizations on water and sanitation. They should enable major political decisions to be taken to accelerate the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the field of water and sanitation.

In addition, there is the great innovation that is the «Dakar 2022 Initiative» for which a large number of projects have been

labelled in order to materialize the vision «From commitments to concrete actions on the ground». These projects will be promoted during the Forum, notably in the sessions, the response path (Forum villages) and by putting project leaders in contact with interested financiers.

Finally, the attraction of the Forum is enriched by an exhibition with a rich and diversified set consisting of the Classic Expo, African Village, Sanitation Village, Response Pathway and Senegal Space.

Through this daily news bulletin of the «Dakar 2022», we will offer you the «Highlights» of the day's events; «Interviews» with high-level officials, discoveries on different stakeholders punctuated with the impressions of women, youth, other key players of the event. The reader will find in this newsletter «the Forum agenda», all the activities and sessions on a daily basis.

Excellent Forum to all!

## KICK OFF OF THE FORUM OF RESPONSES AND GREAT INNOVATIONS

The 9th World Water Forum will start this Monday under the main theme of «Water Security for Peace and Development», with an opening ceremony at Dakar Arena.

The success of the Forum, which will be organized for the first time in sub-Saharan Africa, required a significant amount of preparatory work focused on an inclusive approach, proper identification and involvement of stakeholders, mobilization of adequate resources and timely implementation of activities.

### **Objectives of the 9th World Water Forum**

The ambition of Senegal and the World Water Council is to organize a more socially, politically and economically effective Forum, a Forum that is a catalyst for action on water and sanitation commitments, a Forum that is connected to agendas, platforms and commitments related to the SDGs, the Sendai agreement on natural hazards and disasters, the Paris climate agreement, Africa's 2063 agenda, etc. ), and a contextualized, global and grassroots Forum, anchored on the main water challenges of Africa and the world.

Designed to be a «Forum of Responses», Dakar 2022 will address global issues for man and nature, today and tomorrow. The ambition is to accelerate the effective implementation of the global water agenda, which is a prerequisite for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly in Africa, a continent where water is vital for human development.

The World Water Forum will have to strengthen actions in Africa and in the world, for universal access to water and sanitation in view of the weak and fragile progress, the increasing pressures linked to the climate challenge, the galloping demography, the uncontrolled urbanization, the pollution, etc. In a word, it is a question of fighting poverty and giving hope to those hundreds of millions of people deprived of the basics, particularly in Africa, Asia and Latin America.



**MACKY SALL**

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF SENEGAL

*“Together, making the human right to water a reality throughout the world”*

We are on the last steps towards the 9th World Water Forum, scheduled for 21-26 March 2022, under the theme of “Water Security for Peace and Development”.

Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, Senegal has remained steadfast in its willingness and commitment to host the world community in Dakar, in order to place water at the heart of multilateralism and international policies, to build effective response mechanisms to multifaceted crises and the construction of a resilient, prosperous and stable post-Covid-19 world.

The duty to change our world questions our ability to act, and in time! In the current context where global warming increases the risk of major socio-political crises while having adverse effects on the environment, rural areas and transboundary river basins must also receive special attention from the international community.

At the Dakar Forum, the global community will benefit from the lessons learned and share innovative experiences from the “Dakar 2022 Initiative” projects, with a view to accelerating the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It will therefore be a mutual enrichment with Senegal, the host country, which has made a lot of progress in these areas by implementing concrete initiatives and responses for universal access to water and sanitation, but also in terms of cross-border cooperation.

Senegal will be honoured to welcome the numerous leaders experts and participants from different regions of the world, to make the human right to water a reality everywhere in the world.

Welcome and excellent Forum to all.

# HIGHLIGHTS

## AWARD CEREMONY OF THE HASSAN II GREAT WORLD WATER PRIZE

The opening ceremony of the Water Forum, held this Monday, March 21, 2022, will be marked by the awarding of the 7th Hassan II Great World Water Prize. Created in March 2000, this prestigious award is an initiative of the Kingdom of Morocco and the World Water Council, in tribute to His Late Majesty Hassan II, for his enlightened and strategic vision in the field of protection and integrated and sustainable management of water resources to ensure the water security of his country.

The Hassan II Great World Water Prize contributes to global awareness and encourages concrete action in favor of the water cause. After Kyoto in 2003, Mexico City in 2006, Istanbul in 2009, Marseille in 2012, Daegu-Gyeongbuk in 2015, the sixth edition of the Hassan II Great World Water Prize was awarded to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), represented by its Secretary General, Angel GURRIA, during the Brasilia Forum

During the award ceremony, a trophy and a certificate are awarded to the winner who benefits from international recognition and visibility. Thus, from this 8th edition awarded in Dakar, the value of the prize is increased from 100,000 to 500,000 U.S. dollars, by the High Will of His Majesty King Mohammed VI, says the World Water Council.

For the purposes of its participation in the Forum and the award ceremony of the Hassan II Great World Water Prize, the Kingdom of Morocco will be represented by a strong delegation led by Nizar BARAKA, Minister of Equipment and Water of Morocco.



## FROM RESPONSES TO CONCRETE ACTIONS

The 9th World Water Forum will be marked by a major innovation called «Dakar 2022 Initiative». It is about matching responses to water-related issues with concrete actions on the ground.

Centered on the materialization of the vision «From commitments to concrete actions on the ground», this initiative consists in labeling projects on access to water and sanitation in the face of climate challenges, galloping demography, uncontrolled urbanization, pollution, etc.

Projects selected by an international jury of 12 members will be promoted during the Forum in several ways: in the sessions according to the priority related to the project's theme, in the responses (Forum villages) and by putting project leaders in contact with interested funders.

# INTERVIEW



## Oswald M. Chanda,

Director Water and Sanitation Development  
Department, African Development Bank

*What does the 9th World Water Forum mean to the African Development Bank?*

For the African Development Bank, the 9th World Water Forum is an opportunity to bring together water sector stakeholders to highlight water and sanitation issues and share solutions and knowledge on how to accelerate implementation to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The Forum provides a platform for all stakeholders, including women's groups, youth, farmers, herders and fishermen, to transform people's daily lives and improve the performance of productive sectors.

For the first time, the World Water Forum, the largest international water-related event, will be held in sub-Saharan Africa, and is therefore an opportunity to celebrate our achievements as a continent. It is also an opportunity to determine what more we can do, collectively, to ensure water security for the sustainable development of the continent. The Forum is in line with the Bank's 10-year strategy (2013-2022), the Bank's recently approved water policy and the Bank's Second Climate Change Action Plan (2016-2020), in particular pillar 2 on adaptation. It also aligns with the Bank's priority areas, known as the High 5s, in particular its commitment to «Improving the quality of life of African people.»

The African Development Bank is committed to supporting its member countries to ensure water security for peace and sustainable development. This commitment is manifested through our active participation in the various sessions and events of the forum and through our own exhibition pavilion which will be co-organised with the African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW). I would like to extend a special invitation to all Forum participants to attend the Keystone Roundtable on Water Sector Financing, which will be attended by representatives of the Bank and other heads of multilateral development institutions.

*How were you involved in the preparatory process and the organisation of the Forum?*

The Bank is a member of the International Steering Committee of the Forum, and we participated in the stakeholders' meeting in Diamniadio, Senegal, last October. At this meeting, we led the discussion on finalising the Forum's agenda, in particular with regard to our role as lead group leader for priority 4 (means and tools) - this concerns the «means and tools» needed to implement the policies and solutions identified for water security in an effective, efficient and inclusive manner.

The Bank is co-coordinator of Action Group 4A. This Task Force aims to mobilise additional financial resources and promote innovative financing, as described in targets 17.3 and 2.a of the Sustainable Development Goals. The Action Group is coordinated by the African Development Bank, the Development Bank of Latin America and the Ministry of Finance of Senegal. Other members of the group are the World Bank, the French Development Agency, Waterpreneurs, Water.org, the Institute for Research on Globalisation in Japan, Deltares and the Malian Public Drinking Water Company. I am personally looking forward to the sessions on mobilising financial resources and promoting innovative financing. I hope that the registered participants will join us.

*How did you help Senegal and contribute to the success of the Forum?*

Following a request from His Excellency Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal, to the President of the Bank Group, Dr. Akinwumi A. Adesina, we have helped Senegal to provide an excellent Forum experience for those who join us in Dakar. We have facilitated the hiring of consultants to strengthen the Forum's Executive Secretariat team and sponsored studies on the development of the Forum site. The Bank also provided funding to facilitate local transport, catering and communications for the Forum, drawing on the Bank-funded Emergency Community Development Programme for €1 million.

4 million to the Government of Senegal through the Access to Safe Water and Sanitation for Sustainable Resilience in Disadvantaged Areas Project to implement the results of studies on the development of the Forum site. The Bank is also providing approximately €120,000 to assist the Secretariat in finalising the preparations for the Forum.

## FOCUS ON...



### DAKAR 2022 : WOMEN AT THE HEART OF CONCERNS

Access to water and sanitation will be at the heart of the responses to be provided at the 9th World Water Forum, scheduled for 21-26 March 2022 in Dakar.

This concern is justified by the fact that there is a dependence between the main socio-economic activities of women, the availability of water and access to sanitation.

To enable them to make their necessary contribution to the Dakar responses, the Executive Secretariat of the Forum mobilized women in various preparatory activities. In addition to increasing the representation of women in the advisory groups, this included developing an awareness program for young girls in high schools, colleges and elementary school, as well as contributing to the investment and management of water and sanitation facilities in schools to improve menstrual management.

During the Forum, special sessions could be organized on the achievements and difficulties of women in water governance, as well as on the situation of women in the professional world in the field of water and sanitation, and the perspectives for their better involvement in the sector.

### FIND ANSWERS AT THE «SANITATION VILLAGE»

The issues and challenges of sanitation will be at the heart of the 9th World Water Forum, scheduled from March 21 to 26, 2022, in Dakar. The participants will highlight the institutional, technological, technical, scientific and cultural responses to sanitation through a dedicated exhibition, called «Sanitation Village».

This major innovation will be a space for the expression of the «Forum of responses» and will also take into account the various risks (health, environmental) that must be managed but also the recovery of waste as a resource.



### DAKAR 2022 : THE «AFRICAN VILLAGE» AWAITS YOU!

Among the innovations of the 9th World Water Forum, scheduled from March 21 to 26, 2022 in Dakar, there will be the development of an «African Village». This will be an exhibition space, a framework for awareness, information and exchanges on the concerns, issues and challenges related to water issues in Africa, and the specific responses to the problems of access to water over time. It will also be a space for sharing experiences on good practices and innovations, but also a space for discussions to promote water security in Africa in order to meet the various objectives of the agendas.

The design of the village will be inspired by the cultural and territorial particularities that emerged from the different proposals expected from the different geographical areas of the continent (North Africa, Southern Africa, West Africa, East Africa, and Central Africa), in addition to the physical spaces dedicated to certain social groups.

# AGENDA FOR THE DAY

## 1. HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL SEGMENT OUTLINE

Hours	Activities
09h00 - 10h00	- Pre-show (outdoor and indoor)
10h00 - 11h20	- Official ceremony
11h20 - 11h45	- Report and Award Presentation

## 2. DETAILED PLAN

### 1. Pré-show

Hours	Activities
09h00-09h30	- Outdoor pre-show: dance/percussion groups to be defined - can start earlier if needed
09h30-09h55	- indoor pre-show, soft music - nothing that requires repetition - set taking
09h55-10h00	- pre-ceremony silence voice-over indications/instructions to the public if necessary

### 2. Official Ceremony

Hours	Activities
10h00-10h03	- Prologue / show : Film
10h03-10h07	- Act 1/ Show - The awakening of consciousness: actor and mapping - the grandmother
10h10-10h20	- Act 2 / MC - Welcome Words
10h10-10h20	- Act 3/ Show - Water sharing: dances and mapping - integrate 5min of traditional dances
10h20-11h20	- Act 4/ Speech: speeches interspersed with films/testimonies of young people = 4 themes - Each speech (5') is introduced by a live jingle (Kora/ percussion) - or a pre-recorded accompaniment according to available rehearsal time

OFFICIAL OPENING / SPEECH	
Opening Remarks by His Excellency Mr., Macky Sall, President of the Republic	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Address by Loïc Fauchon, President of the World Water Council</li> <li>2. Message from His Majesty the Emperor of Japan (video)</li> <li>3. Address by Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of the Republic of Congo</li> <li>4. Address by H.E. Mrs Sahlé-Work ZEWDE, President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia</li> <li>5. Address by H.E.M. Mohamed Ould Ghazouani, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania</li> <li>6. Address by Mr Umaro Sissoco Embaló, President of the Republic of Guinea Bissau</li> <li>7. Address by Dr Isatou TOUREY, Vice-President of the Republic of the Gambia</li> <li>8. Address by David MALPASS, President of the World Bank</li> <li>9. Message from Mrs Ursula Von Der LEYEN, President of the Commission of the European Union (video)</li> <li>10. Message from AfDB President Akinwumi Adesina (video)</li> </ol>

Hours	Activities
11h20-11h30	<b>Presentation of the Global Report (DG UNESCO)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Message from Audrey Azoulay, Director-General of UNESCO</b></li> </ul>
11h30-11h40	Presentation of the Hassan II Water Prize
11h40-11h45	Final/ Show: 1 song by Youssou N'Dour (water hymn)
12h30-14h00	Official lunch
14h10-14h40	visit of the exhibitions

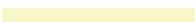
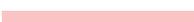
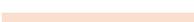
MONDAY 21 MARCH 2022				
8.00 9.00	REGISTRATIONS, COFFEE BREAK AND CULTURAL EVENTS			
09.00 12.00	<b>High-level political segment (Heads of State and Heads of International Institutions -Dakar Arena)</b> Opening ceremony - Launching of the World Water Development Report (UNESCO - UN Water) Hassan II Great World Water Prize Award Ceremony - High-level political Panel			
12.00 14.00	LUNCH			
	Inauguration of the exhibition by HoS			
	Auditorium CICAD Seats 1250*	Oval Room CICAD Seats 350/500*	Room 1 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 2 EXPO Seats 100*
	Room 3 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 4 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 5 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 6 EXPO Seats 100*
	Room 7 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 8 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 9 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 10 EXPO Seats 100*
	Room 11 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 12 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 13 EXPO Seats 100*	Room 201 CICAD Seats 80*
	Room 202 CICAD Seats 80*		Room 205 CICAD Seats 150*	
14.00 15.30	CEO's Panel	MINISTERIAL SEGMENT	1A1 Access to drinking water and sanitation in crisis situations (coordinated by Solidarités International)	4A7 Platform for dialogue on financing water (coordinated by OECD)
	3A3 Financing our future: shared funding mechanisms for managing shared water resources (coordinated by UNEP, UNEP-DHI & GWP)	3D1 Promote dialogue and concertation on the preparation of development plans for safe and sustainable transboundary infrastructures (coordinated by African Network of Basin Organization (ANBO))	1F3 Building resilience through data & knowledge-based solutions: Identification, monitoring, early-warning and assessment of water-related risks (coordinated by INBO)	2A1 Governance for Rural Drinking Water (coordinated by the International Secretariat for Water)
	2E3 Innovative technologies and productive waters to empower rural communities (coordinated by KickStart International)	1B2 Implement water quality protection through sound governance, using an inclusive multi-stakeholder approach and knowledge-based policymaking (coordinated by IWRA and Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES))	2B1 Participatory governance for sanitation and hygiene for rural development (coordinated by Programme Solidarité Eau (pS-Eau))	HLP22 The exchange between transboundary aquifers on three continents (coordinated by OMVG, OMVS, GENEVA)
	SS1 The Nature for Water Facility: enabling local champions to build watershed investment programs at a global scale (coordinated by The Nature Conservancy)	SS20 The Power of Peer Partnerships: the EU WOP Programme (coordinated by GWOPA/UN-Habitat)	SS25 Water Security Approach in Senegal (coordinated by the Ministry of Water and Sanitation of Senegal)	SS21 Session of Initiative Dakar 2022 (1)

## AGENDA FOR THE DAY

MONDAY 21 MARCH 2022 (continued 1)				
14.00 15.30	SS30 Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation for Water Security in OIC Member Countries (coordinated by ICESCO, IDB, League Arab)	HLP2 Funding and Financing Blue Peace: The Blue Peace Financing Initiative - How to invest in Peace through Water (coordinated by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF))		
15.30 15.45	COFFEE BREAK			
15.45 17.15	Auditorium CICAD Seats 1250*		Oval Room CICAD Seats 350/500*	
	Keystone Roundtable «MEANS AND TOOLS»		MINISTERIAL SEGMENT	
17.30 18.30		SE 1 High Level Ministerial Dialogue on Access to Water and Sanitation Services in the Sahel (coordinated by the AFD)	SE 2 Surface water management at the watershed scale and maintenance of mangrove ecosystem services (coordinated by PRCM)	SE 36: Progress-based finance for water security – Innovative approaches to supporting water sector framework and utility reforms (coordinated by GIZ)
	SE 4 Practical Responses of SONES to the demand for drinking water in Dakar, New Urban Areas and inland centers (coordinated by Société Nationale des Eaux du Senegal (SONES))	SE 30 Water Issues and Priorities in the Implementation of the Great Green Wall (coordinated by the Agence Panafricaine de la Grande Muraille Verte)	SE 6: Water Security in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC): Finance and Governance (coordinated by CAF)	SE 8 City-basin dialogue : IN-BO-IWA methodological guide on cities connected to their basin (coordinated by International Office for Water)
	SE 47 Shared Water in Africa and Middle East: Regional Cooperation to defuse tensions and share prosperity (coordinated by LAS – AWC – CEDARE – GIZ – RAED)	SE 27 Gender in rural sanitation policies, programs and projects (coordinated by Sanitation/Administration Department of Senegal)	SE 13 Networking of Occitanie-Senegal Actors (coordinated by Occitanie Region)	SE 48 Rural Hydraulics Stand. (coordinated by OFOR)
			SE 49 ICT Sanitation Innovations for Effective SANITATION Service Delivery - Experiences from Uganda (coordinated by Kampala Capital City Authority)	
18.30 20.00	PROGRAMME CULTUREL ET SOCIAL			

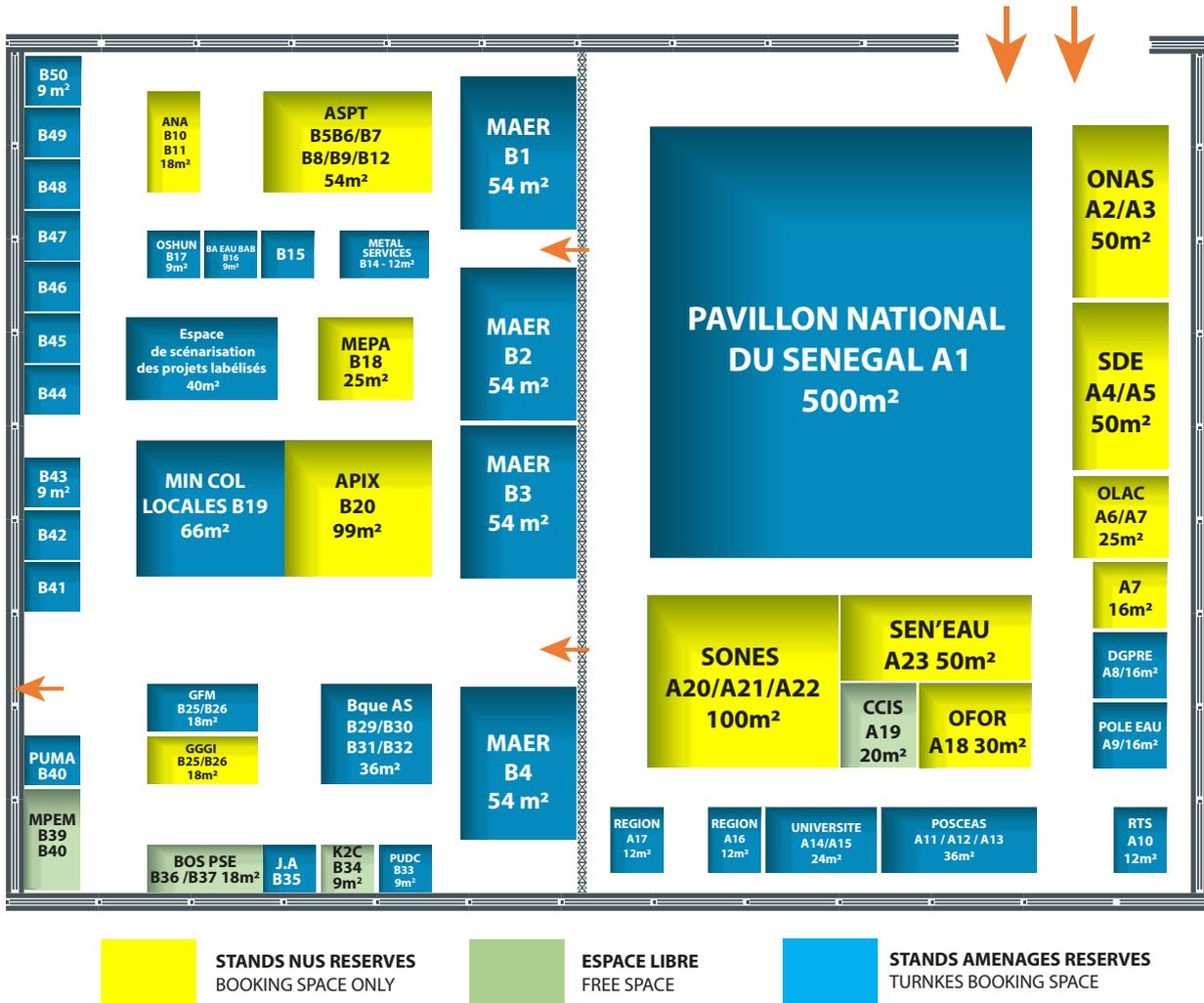
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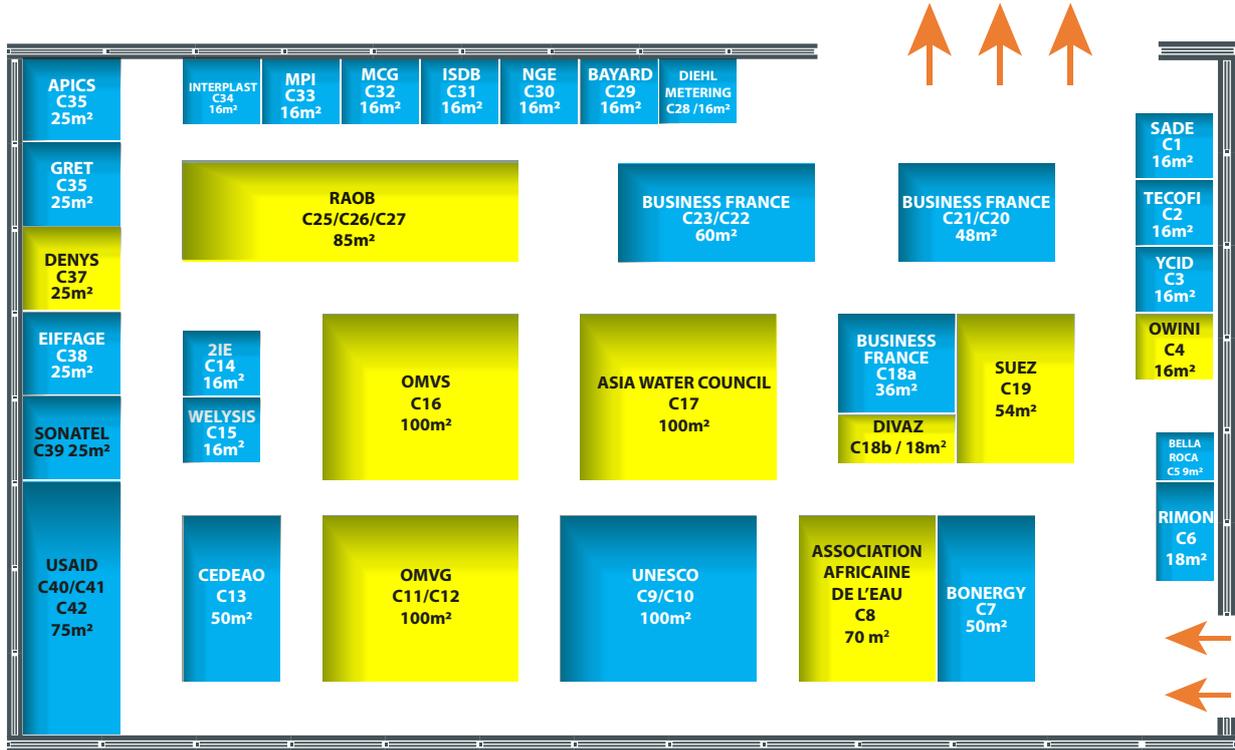
	Priority 1. Water Security and Sanitation		Priority 2. Water and Rural Development
	Priority 3. Cooperation		Priority 4. Means and Tools
	High-Level Panels		Plenary Sessions
	Ceremonies (opening and closing)		High level political segment
	Side event		Political Segments
	Social and Cultural Events		Special Sessions
	Keystone Roundtables		

# EXHIBITOR PLAN

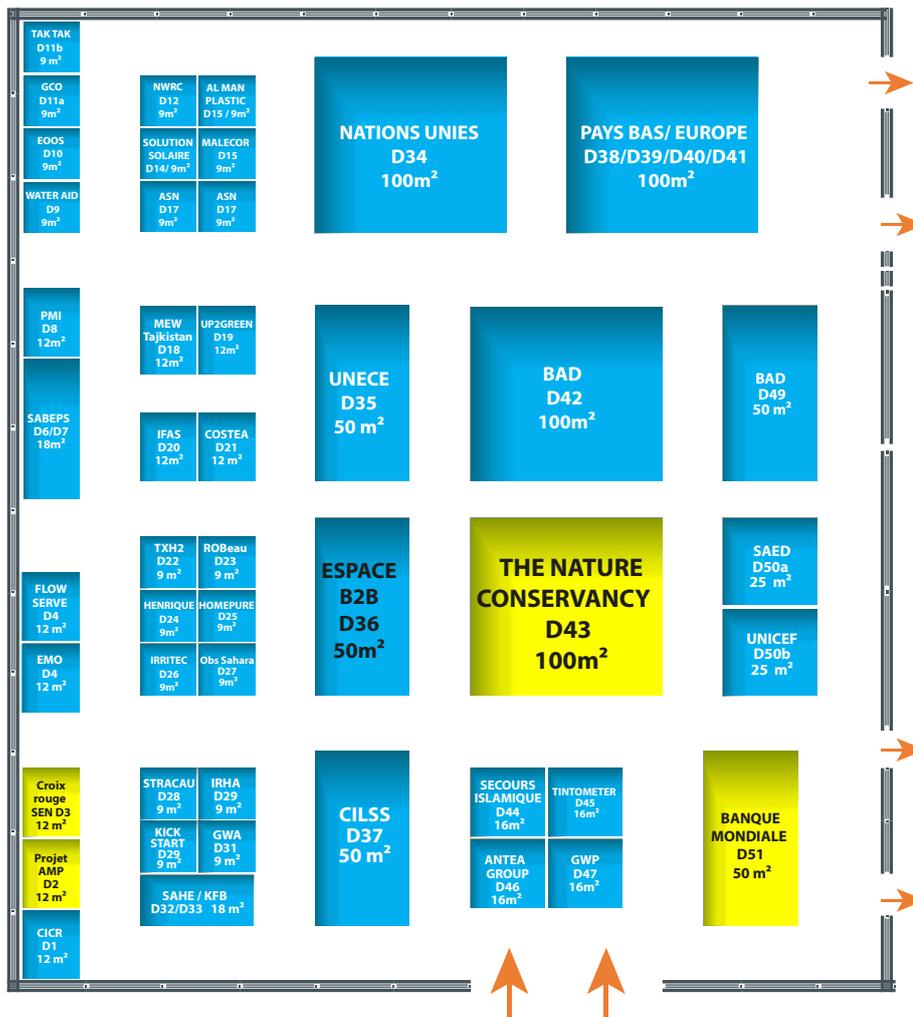
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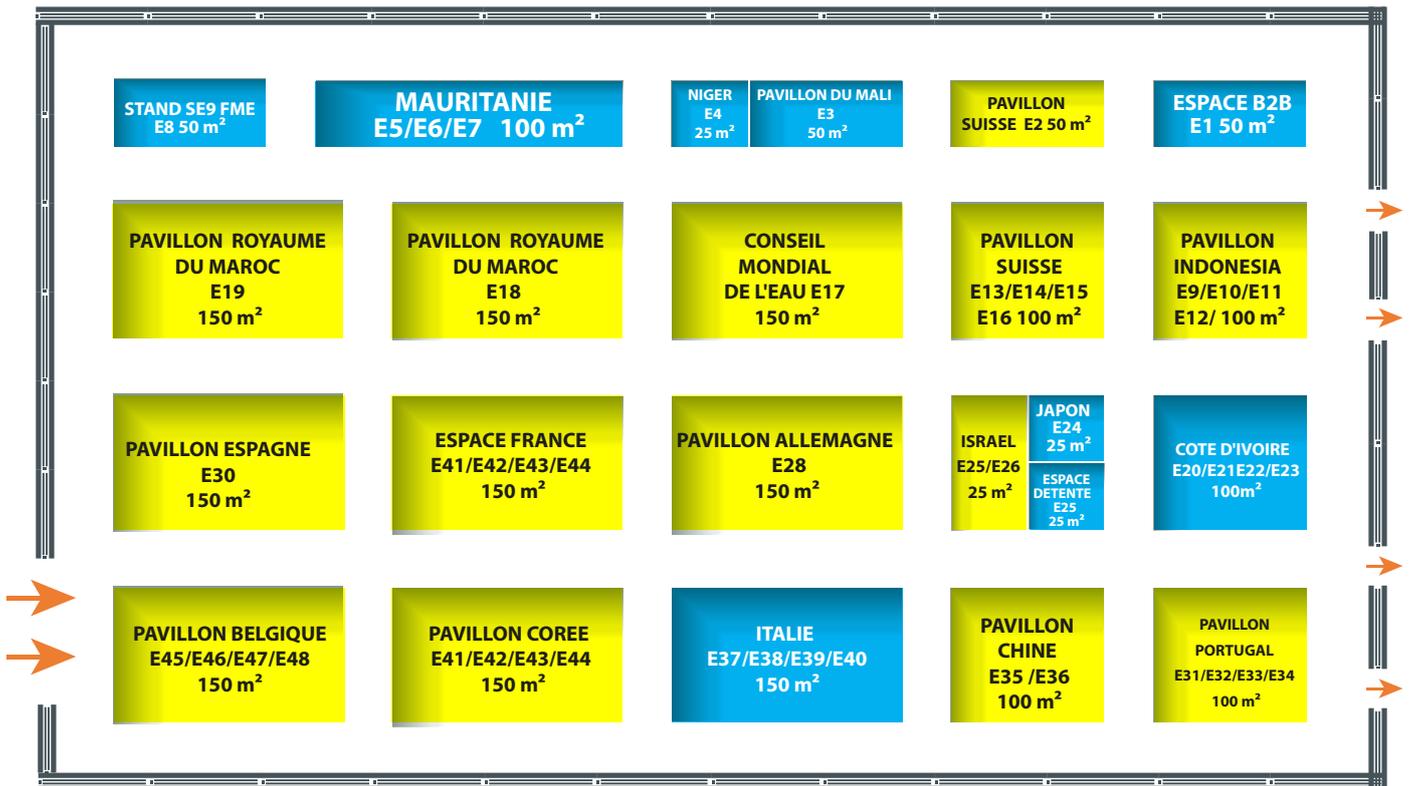


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