"Finance for Climate Resilience in the Mediterranean and Africa: Water-wise Adaptation"

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Context

Floods, drought, and other extreme weather events are subject to an increased frequency and intensity. Water is the medium through which climate change is felt, and our societies are collateral victims. That is why our societies need to adapt themselves to be able to cope with these extreme events. Water-wise adaptation must be included when elaborating strategies to face climate change. This leads to the need for more climate-resilient water investment, especially in arid and developing countries to support this adaptation. The finance for climate resilience in the Mediterranean and African regions will be highlighted in this session.

Programme

MASTER OF CEREMONY

- **Dr. Eric Tardieu**, Secretary General of the International Water Resources Association (IWRA), Secretary General of the International Network of Basin Organizations (INBO)

INTRODUCTION (10 min):

- **Mr. Pablo Bereciartua,** Chair, Global Water Partnership (GWP)
- **Ambassador Grammenos Mastrojeni**, Senior Deputy Secretary General for Energy and Climate Action at the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)

PANEL (50 min)

Keynote speaker (10 min)

- **Mr. Nizar Baraka**, Minister of Equipment and Water of the Kingdom of Morocco

Panel: Projects holders, implementing agencies and climate finance funds' perspectives *(40 min)*

- **Mrs. Judith Enaw,** Secretary General, International Commission of the Congo-Ubangui-Sangha Basin (CICOS)
- **Mr. Alisher Mamadzhanov,** Climate Policy and Governance Specialist, Green Climate Fund (GCF)
- **Mr. Osward Chanda,** Director of the Water Development and Sanitation Department, African Development Bank (AfDB)
- **Mr. Kishan Khoday,** Regional Team Leader, Nature Climate and Energy, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

QUESTION & ANSWERS (20 min)

CONCLUSION (5 min):

- **Ambassador Almotaz Abadi**, Deputy Secretary General for Water, Environment & Blue Economy Division, Union for the Mediterranean