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## Coping with Scarcity

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UN Water is made up of the UN agencies, programmes and funds that have a significant role in tackling global water concerns. It also includes major non-UN partners who cooperate with them in advancing progress towards water-related Millennium Development Goals. Annually, UN-Water hosts a seminar in Stockholm focusing on specific strategic issues it has identified as priority for joint action during the decade Water for life.

This year's event addresses water scarcity. The seminar will introduce the Water Scarcity Thematic Initiative of UN-Water and will illustrate the type of actions UN-Water agencies carry out with their partners. It will be an opportunity to discuss the strategic role of UN-Water in assisting countries in their efforts towards the achieving the Millennium Development Goals, investigate the possibilities for enhancing its effectiveness and impact and explore possibilities for effective partnership.

Programme		Morning Seminar, 9 <sup>00</sup> –12 <sup>00</sup> , Main Conference Center, Room 300	
<b>MODERATOR:</b> <i>Johan Kuylenstierna</i> , Project Director, SIWI		10:45	Decision support tools for conflict resolution, <i>Andras Szollosi-Nagy</i> , Director, Division of Water Sciences, UNESCO
<b>RAPPORTEUR:</b> <i>Manuel Dengo</i> , UN-Water Secretary, UN-DESA		11:00	Panel discussion: How to enhance the impact and effectiveness of the Water Scarcity Thematic Initiative at local level; at country level; at the level of international river basins ?
9:00	Opening address: <i>Carin Jämtin</i> , Swedish Minister for International Development t.b.c.	<b>PANELLISTS:</b>	
9:10	Introduction to UN-Water and its programmes: <i>Jamie Bartram</i> , Coordinator, Water, Sanitation and Health, WHO, and Chair of UN-Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hector Garduno, Water Resources Planning and Management Expert, Mexico</li> <li>• Peter Lee, President, International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage</li> <li>• Adeel Zafar, Director designate, UNU-INWEH</li> <li>• Peregrine Swann, Senior Water Advisor, DFID, UK</li> <li>• Torkil Jønh Clausen, Professor, DHI Water &amp; Environment and Senior Advisor, UNEP</li> <li>• Mohamed Ait Kadi, Secretary General, Ministry of Agriculture, Morocco t.b.c.</li> <li>• Giuseppe Deodato, Director General for Development Cooperation, Italy t.b.c.</li> </ul>	
9:25	Keynote presentation: Coping with water scarcity in China: <i>Li Huanhua</i> , Deputy Director General, Department of Irrigation, Drainage and Rural Water Supply, Ministry of Water Resources, China	11:35	Open discussion: questions and comments from participants
9:55	The UN-Water thematic initiative "Coping with water scarcity": <i>Alexander Müller</i> , Assistant Director General, Sustainable Development Department, FAO t.b.c.	11:55	Summary report from discussions: <i>Stefano Burchi</i> , Senior Water Law Officer FAO
10:15	Policies and institutions for coping with environmental aspects of water scarcity in Western Asia. <i>Hosny Khordagui</i> , Leader, Water and Environment Teams, UN-ESCWA	12:00	Closure: <i>Johan Kuylenstierna</i> , SIWI
10:30	Providing information and knowledge for decision making in water-scarce regions through water assessments: <i>Ashbindu Singh</i> , Regional Coordinator, UNEP Division of Early Warning & Assessment		

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