



2nd Annual Mega-City Water Forum

*Planning for Sustainable Growth
Atlanta, May 14-16, 2007*

Preliminary Agenda

Monday, May 14, 2007	
11:00	Registration begins in the atrium of the Klaus Advanced Computing Building, Georgia Institute of Technology
12:00	Inaugural luncheon in the atrium of the Klaus Building. Welcoming remarks by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alex Mejia, Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta - Dr. Aris Georgakakos, Director, Georgia Water Resources Institute - Dr. Gary Schuster, Provost, Georgia Tech - Commissioner Robert Hunter, Department of Watershed Management, City of Atlanta
14:00	Panel Discussion: Connecting the Global Community for Sustainable Water Supply <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paul Reiter, Executive Director, International Water Association Open Dialogue and Q & A
15:30	Coffee Break
16:00	Knowledge Management Methodology Tool for Best Practices Sharing Brief explanation of the program format/methodology by UNITAR representative
16:30	SESSION 1: Peer Assist Exercise <i>Delegates assess competency levels with input from peers from other participating cities, set priority areas and target levels for each priority area</i>
17:30	Close
19:00	Dinner at the Georgian Terrace, sponsored by MWH Global



Tuesday, May 15, 2007			
08:00	Light breakfast in the atrium of the Klaus Advanced Computing Building, Georgia Institute of Technology		
08:30	Presentation of River and Stairs Diagram by UNITAR Representative		
09:00	<p>Session 2: Best Practice Sharing: Development of Knowledge Assets <i>Participants will work in small groups to identify five best practices and sources of more information for priority areas identified during the first day</i></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Track 1: Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Margaret Pageler, Executive Committee, ICLEI (TBC) - Muhammad Akram Kahlow, Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources, Ministry of Science & Technology - </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Track 2: Sustainable Infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Ola Busari, Water Resource Specialist, The Development Bank of South Africa </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Track 1: Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Margaret Pageler, Executive Committee, ICLEI (TBC) - Muhammad Akram Kahlow, Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources, Ministry of Science & Technology - 	<p>Track 2: Sustainable Infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Ola Busari, Water Resource Specialist, The Development Bank of South Africa
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10:45	Plenary Session: Presentation of Best Practices		
11:30	<p>Working Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legislation for Safe & Secure Water Supplies by Diane VanDe Hei, Executive Director, Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies - Rebecca West, President Elect, Water Environment Federation <p>Q&A</p>		
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15:15	Plenary Session: Presentation of Best Practices, Part II		
16:00	<p>Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Federal and Legislative Support for Clean & Sustainable Water by Ken Kirk, Executive Director, National Association of Clean Water Agencies - Rob Renner, Executive Director, AwwaRF 		
19:00	Dinner at the Wardlaw Center, Georgia Institute of Technology, sponsored by GE		



Wednesday, May 16, 2007

08:00	Breakfast in the atrium of the Klaus Advanced Computing Building, Georgia Institute of Technology
09:30	Building International Partnerships - Facilitated by Paul Reiter, Executive Director, International Water Association and Jan Janssens, World Bank Institute (TBC)
10:15	Session 5: Draft Action Plans <i>Delegates are encouraged to set short, medium and long term goals for priority areas, identify partner cities and make personal commitments.</i>
12:00	Luncheon: Closing Ceremony - Presentation of Action Plans by City Delegations - Special Address by TBD - Closing Remarks by Dr. Aris Georgakakos, Director, Georgia Water Resources Institute and Alex Mejia, Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta
13:30	Program Close