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Mr Jean-François Donzier
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International Network of Basin Organizations

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Dear Mr Donzier,

I would like to take this opportunity to convey to you my sincere gratitude for taking part in the Budapest Water Summit 2016.

I believe that your esteemed contribution played an essential role in realising a fruitful Summit, the success of which was only possible due to the joint efforts of individuals representing governments, international organisations, academia, the business community as well as representatives of the civic society.

Following in the footsteps of its predecessor in 2013, the Summit has proven to be a new milestone on the road to implementing the Sustainable Development Goal 6 and its related targets. Attracting more than 2,200 participants from 117 countries, the conference managed to convene stakeholders of all sectors of the water-related world with the purpose of finding integrated solutions to the pressing challenges of the most critical natural resource on Earth.

The Summit's Messages and Policy Recommendations offer a rich toolkit for all interested parties and countries at different stages of their economic development. At the same time, they clearly indicate the direction of efforts to be taken for the transformation towards a water-secure world. For your convenience, you may find the official version of the Messages and Policy Recommendations attached to this letter.

It is my hope that the outcome of the Summit will contribute to using water resources responsibly around the world. Let me assure you that Hungary wishes to remain at the core of the global political discussion on water, as this discourse is a precondition to safeguard this scarce resource for future generations.

Yours sincerely,

István JOÓ

Ministerial Commissioner Responsible for the
Organisation of the Budapest Water Summit
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