

Convenor(s): Confederación Latinoamericana de Organizaciones Comunitarias de Servicios de Agua y Saneamiento; Conferencia de Directores Iberoamericanos del Agua and National Water Commission, Mexico

Co-convenor(s): Asociación Latinoamericana de Operadores de Agua y Saneamiento; Asociación Nacional de Empresas de Agua y Saneamiento; Fundación Avina; International Water Association; Spanish Millennium Development Goals Achievement Fund; UNDP Water Governance Facility at SIWI and World Water Council

Description

Strengthened community managed WandS organisations are key to increased and improved equality in access to WandS services. Such organizations provide water services to up to 40 % of the population in some Latin American countries today, often operating in regions where large-scale infrastructure does not reach – thus providing important services to remote or socio-culturally marginalised populations.

Community managed WandS organisations have a great potential to extend the provision further, with the adequate support from governments or international agencies, playing a central role in the achievement of the Human Right to water. To this end, the session features strategic experiences and lesson learned from Latin American stakeholders at the local, national and regional level.

Programme

09:00 *Opening and Welcome. Ms. Moa Cortobius, WGF*

09:05 Presentation of statement: Water and Sanitation to Our Communities in Latin America and the Caribbean. *Ms. Anna María Buzzoni, WIN*

09:20 Community Water management in Latin America: Obstacles and Opportunities. *Mr. Luis Velasco, CLOCSAS*

09:35 Dialogue: Cooperation for Strengthened Community Water Management: What is Needed?

Moderator: Ms. Lil Soto, Fundación Avina

- Dr. Judith Domínguez Serrano, CONAGUA, Mexico
- Dr. Tania Gutiérrez Martín, CODIA
- Ms. Mirta Paez, CLOCSAS

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Intercultural Transparency: How to Overcome Socio-cultural Barriers to Access to Water and Sanitation Services for Indigenous Peoples. *Dr. Mercedes Tinoco, Universidad de las Regiones Autónomas de la Costa Caribe Nicaragüense, Nicaragua*

11:30 Small-group Exercise to Formulate input to the Statement.
Facilitator: Ms. Moa Cortobius, WGF

12:05 Presentation of Key input from Each Group

12:20 Closing and Final Reflections. CLOCSAS and CONAGUA

Resources

Not available yet.

Conclusion

Not available yet.