

Europe Region Preparatory Process General Preparatory Meeting

TBILISI (GEORGIA), 14 - 15 NOVEMBER 2011 Hotel Radisson Blu Iveria, Ballroom 3 Rose Revolution Square, Tbilisi, Georgia

The European Region Coordinator,

Dear Colleagues and dear friends,

As you know, the forthcoming 6th World Water Forum will be held in Marseilles, France, from 12 to 17 March 2012.

This 6th World Water forum is "Time for Solutions": It aims at developing concrete solutions that illustrate how water can contribute to tackle the challenges currently faced by our planet. It wants to reach commitments and solutions through the definition of Targets that are **SMART** (**S**pecific, **M**easurable, **A**chievable, **R**ealistic, **T**ime-bound). A multi-stakeholder approach is a key element in the Regional Process which aims at putting proposals for solutions in concrete form through the organization of **WISE** (**W**ide-Involvement **S**takeholder **E**xchanges) processes in each region.

The European Steering Committee has formulated a series of 12 **Specific Europe Region Priority Targets** (SERPT) to be translated as soon as possible into concrete and achievable solutions and measures (SMART) and yielded a provisional list of volunteer organisations willing to contribute to the preparation of the Forum and of key organisations to be involved in the future steps.

You will find up dated information at http://world-water-forum-2012-europa.eu.

For Europe Region, We propose on each of these specific priority targets to deal with under a WISE process, which will allow the multitude of interested parties to participate: We are then organizing WISE "General Meetings" before the participation of the European partners in the Forum itself.

It is the reason why, the <u>Regional Environment Center – Caucasus</u> invite us to meet:

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The meeting is open by priority to all the water administrations and organizations, interested of the Caucasus Countries, but also of the member and candidate countries of the European Union and of all the other countries of Eastern Europe, the Balkans, the Russian Federation and Central Asia and the member organizations of the WWF6 Europe preparatory process Steering Committee..

There will be simultaneous translation into English and Russian. Registration to the conference is free of charge but compulsory.

You will find attached the invitation send by the organizing committee.

For the good organization of this meeting, I thank you in advance for kindly returning the attached registration form as soon as possible, and if possible before next 30 October 2011, if possible to: secretariat@european-region-wwf2012.eu, and to info@rec-caucasus.org and rita.khidirbegishvili@rec-caucasus.org

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I hope to see you on 14 and 15 November in Tbilisi. Very best regards.

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