

"Accomplishments, Challenges and Lessons Learned" as well as a "Way Forward" are being developed this year.

4. Ms. Isabel Raya, UN DESA, presented the 2022 Work Program of Work. The year 2022 marks the fifth year of Network cooperation. The activities are planned around three main areas: capacity development, knowledge management and sharing of good practices, and global advocacy and outreach.

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 which aims to enhance capacities of all stakeholders to effectively manage the water-energy nexus and in preparation of the 2022 HLPF, the 2022 UN General Assembly and COP 27. The event is tentatively scheduled to take place on
 . A regional event is also planned at ECLAC headquarters in the second half of the year to gain insights on the priorities under the themes of
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Mr. Luis Miguel Paiz, ASAZGUA, indicated that ASAZGUA is very pleased with the accomplishments and plans of the Network and its commitment to continue supporting the network this year and the following years. *Mr. Gustavo Paredes, ASAZGUA*, stated they will continue their in-kind contributions with case studies, events and articles for the UN journal. ASAZGUA will also participate in the Global Symposium.

Mr. Federico Valles Figueras, Canal de Isabel II, expressed that Canal is pleased to support the Network as a new member and indicated the intention to attend the Global Symposium and to contribute to the special issue of the UN journal.

Mr. Samson Tesgaye, Solar Energy Foundation, praised the work of the Network and the proposed workplan for 2022 and beyond. The Foundation is planning to contribute with an article for the UN journal and to attend the Global Symposium and possibly organizing a side event.

Mr. Ariel Scheffer da Silva, Itaipu, thanked all participants for their help and support for the Network in previous years. He found the 2022 Workplan very comprehensive and essential to reach future goals and objectives. He indicated that Itaipu Binacional is participating in these events. He welcomed everyone to the Global Symposium that will be hosted by Itaipu Binacional in June. He stated the event will have two days

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with designated contact points from the DESA Secretariat to highlight upcoming seminars and conferences. IIASA could contribute articles on the nexus including on issues related to equity and poverty.

Ms. Silvia L. Saravia Matus, ECLAC, stated that ECLAC will contribute to the regional focus event and would be interested in developing articles for the UN journal and to participate in other capacity-building activities. She added that ECLAC has a new project to help localities in disadvantaged areas in Central America on how to establish investment plans for sustainable water systems using renewable energy. She hoped to count on the expertise of the Network members and possibly invite them to participate in expert meetings of this project. She drew attention to regional preparatory events of the UN-Water Conference next year. ECLAC will be hosting a preparatory event in April that represents an opportunity to share ideas and solutions.

Mr. Manuel Menéndez, Ministry of Ecological Transition, Spain, started by thanking all Network members for their relentless efforts and commitments and offered his support organizing a special event with CODIA (Conference of Ibero-American Water Directors) at the Global Symposium in Itaipu in June. Mr. Menéndez also indicated contributing with articles for the UN journal from CODIA. The Ministry is working on capacity development initiatives under the umbrella of the global accelerator framework of SDG 6. He added that the Ministry is also working with UNESCO and UNDESA and could contact the Network for building further momentum and support on sustainable water and energy.

Ms. Lucia de Strasser, UNECE, invited Network participants to the next task force meeting of Transboundary Water Convention that will take place in December to discuss water and energy in terms of operationalization of solutions and nexus investments. Ms. Strasser also mentioned that ECE has produced a toolkit for sustainable renewable energy planning in transboundary basins and indicated it could be featured in training and other related activities of the Network. She also highlighted that the 30th Water Convention is taking place this year and ECE plans to produce case studies that could be shared with the Network.

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The members of the Sustainable Water and Energy Solutions Network welcomed the collaborations and 2021 accomplishments. The Members praised the team on the progress made in the last four years and supported the 2022 Work Programme and the proposed 2023-2026 Workplan for the Network. The next steps include:

The first _____ will be organized by UN DESA in cooperation with ITAIPU and other members of the Network, tentatively scheduled to take place on 7-10 June 2022. All information related to this event will be shared in the upcoming weeks. *(Lead: UN DESA and ITAIPU teams in collaboration with Network members)*

The first *World Report on the Status and Trends on Sustainable Water and Energy Solutions* will be prepared based on the outcomes of the first Global Symposium. *(Lead: UN DESA in collaboration with Network members)*

A [redacted] will be developed to raise awareness of the importance of the SDGs. *(Lead: UN DESA and ITAIPU teams)*

[redacted] on Sustainable Water and Energy Solutions will be published in a dedicated issue of the [redacted], a

The secretariat at UN DESA will share details about requirements and formatting. *(Lead: Network Members with support from UN DESA)*

A series of [redacted] will be compiled on water-energy innovative technological systems. *(Lead: UN DESA team with support from Network Members)*

A [redacted] with designated contact points will be prepared. *(Lead: UN DESA team)*

[redacted] of the UN DESA-ITAIPU partnership in the margins of relevant intergovernmental processes will take place: (1) the 9th World Water Forum, 2) Expo Dubai, 3) the 2022 High-Level Political Forum, (4) the 2022 UN General Assembly, and (5) COP 27. *(Lead: UN DESA and with support from Network Members)*

The [redacted] will be expanded with more case studies and information on good practices. *(Lead: Network Members with support from UN DESA)*

New [redacted] will be mobilized complementing existing ones. *(Lead: UN DESA with support of Network Members)*

The [redacted] will be expanded with new members and partners. An [redacted] will be conducted to identify potential members representing diverse stakeholders and from different world regions. *(Lead: UN DESA team)*

[redacted] will be developed, and [redacted] will be expanded across relevant platforms. *(Lead: UN DESA team)*

5. Mr. Vera closed the meeting by thanking members for their participation and by encouraging members to continue sending information, data and case studies to expand the Knowledge Platform as well as ideas for relevant activities to be implemented. Members were invited to continue to play an active role in the Network in the future.

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1. Mr. Manuel Menéndez, Ministry of Ecological Transition, Spain
2. Mr. Ricardo Medeiros de Andrade, National Water Agency, ANA, Brazil
3. Mr. Luis Miguel Paiz, ASAZGUA, Guatemala
4. Mr. Gustavo Paredes, ASAZGUA, Guatemala
- 5.** Mr. Luis Fernando Salazar, ASAZGUA, Guatemala
6. Mr. Marco Solares, ASAZGUA, Guatemala
7. Mr. Stefan Dierks, UNFCCC,
8. Ms. Lucia de Strasser, UNECE
9. Mr. Moez Jomaa, SINTEF, Norway
10. Mr. David Peral Pozo, Canal de Isabel II, Madrid, Spain
11. Mr. Federico Valles Figueras, Canal de Isabel II, Madrid, Spain
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