



# The CEO Water Mandate

## Summary of Steering Committee Conference Call: November 30, 2017

**Present:** A. Leles (SANASA); N. Barak (Netafim); A. Duque & E. Builes (Argos); A. Fourie (AB-Inbev); C. Galli (Nestlé); I. Huijbrechts (Carlson Rezidor); T. Jones (Teck Resources); F. Koor (Woolworths); H. Huusko (UN Global Compact Office); J. Morrison (Mandate Secretariat); M. Ha (Mandate Secretariat)

Agenda item	
<p><b>1. Welcome and Agenda Review</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ J. Morrison welcomed everyone to the meeting and undertook an agenda overview</li> <li>▪ The circulated slides for the meeting included background on the expected activities of the Action Platform on Water, set to be launched in January 2018.</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Mandate Governance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J. Morrison reminded Steering Committee members that effective 2018, future Committee members would be drawn from the Action Platform participant pool.</li> <li>• After discussions with current Steering Committee members, those who are currently in the middle of their two-year terms will continue on in the Action Platform and will therefore complete their terms with the exception of Argos, which unfortunately, is unable to continue its engagement on the Steering Committee via Action Platform participation. It was decided that SANASA will serve one additional year (three total), given the Mandate's focus on Brazil in 2018 and beyond vis-à-vis the Action Platform.</li> <li>• J. Morrison also noted the Secretariat's suggestion that Patron level sponsors of the Action Platform have a seat on the Steering Committee.</li> <li>• A general call for nominations will be made in January 2018 to fill open Steering Committee seats.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Steering Committee members accepted these changes to the Steering Committee composition. Some discussion was held in terms of the role of the Special Advisors. It is envisioned that the Mandate will continue to have four Special Advisors and that the Secretariat will identify two additional advisors in early 2018. The Advisors will continue to provide strategic direction on key programmatic activities of the Mandate.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>With the new Action Platform, the Steering Committee will continue to provide input on the objectives, activities, and outcomes of the Action Platform, with an extra emphasis on ensuring the work of the Action</i></b></p>	

**Platform progresses and stays on track to meet stated objectives and outcomes.**

### **3. Initial Endorser Interest in Regions and Themes**

- J. Morrison updated the Steering Committee members on the current efforts by the Secretariat to understand endorsers' interests in regard to the themes and regions where they are interested in working.
- Initial results show significant interest in the US, India, and South Africa in particular.
- Full results will be shared and discussed at the next full endorsers meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- These results will also be discussed with key Mandate partners, such as the Swiss Development Cooperation to finalize the list of countries of focus.

**SC Members were generally interested in seeing the final list of geographies of focus once the consultation is concluded.**

### **4. Discussion on Outputs, Outcomes, and KPIs**

- One of the key additions for the Water Action Platform is the introduction of KPIs to measure expected outcomes over the course of the three years of the Platform.
- The Mandate Secretariat introduced some initial three-year indicators and outcomes for feedback from Steering Committee members.

***SC Members provided some specific input on the language related to the KPI on the context based targets and metrics work and also highlighted the need to make sure that the deliverables in this workstream are practical and implementable. The Mandate Secretariat highlighted that the approach would be to provide multiple entry points and to move the work away from just fair allocation. The Secretariat will also amend the language in the KPI to highlight the broader approach.***

***Written feedback also highlighted that there may be too many KPIs and the Secretariat should look on focusing on a few or deciding which ones would be introduced in 2018 with others to follow in 2019 and 2020. There was also a suggestion to include targets in addition to the KPIs.***

### **5. Mandate and World Water Forum in Brasilia, Brazil**

- The Mandate will be involved in a number of events during the 8<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum including events both within the main sessions, as well as on the sidelines of the meeting on topics from water and climate to WASH and collective action.

***SC members requested an overview of the week so that they can prioritize key Mandate events. The overview is attached to this meeting summary.***