



EU local dialogue

WATER, EUROPE AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

Towards a European Water Strategy: a multilevel water management to fight the climate crisis

Tuesday, 2 July 14:30 – 17:30

Carcassonne, France

Interpretation: EN, FR, IT, AR

14:30-14:45 Opening

Hélène SANDRAGNE, *President of Departmental Council of Aude*

Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS (EPP/GR), *First-vice President of the European Committee of the Regions, and co-chair of the ARLEM commission for sustainable territorial development*

Christian POUGET, *Prefect of Aude Department*

Carole DELGA, *President of the region Occitania, Pyrénées-Méditerranée* **tbc**

14:45-15:10 Keynote speech

Hervé DOUVILLE, *Senior Researcher at METEO France, author and coordinator on changes in the water cycle, IPCC Report No. 6.*

Debate with the participants

15:10-16:00 Round Table I – How climate change impacts water resources

Moderated by Loïc CHARPENTIER, Water Europe

Hélène SANDRAGNE, (PES/FR) *President of Departmental Council of Aude, representative of Réseau11*

Loredana CAPONE (PES/IT), *President of the regional council of Puglia, and member European Committee of the Regions*

Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS (EPP/GR), *First-vice President of the European Committee of the Regions, and co-chair of the ARLEM commission for sustainable territorial development*



Taleb Abderrahmane EL MAHJOUB, *Mayor of Tevragh Zeina (Mauritania) and ARLEM rapporteur on water resilience*

Debate with the participants

16:00-16:15 Coffee break

16:15-17:05 Round Table II – The role of the EU and local and regional authorities to tackle water scarcity and droughts

Moderated by: Loïc CHARPENTIER, Water Europe

Raphael GLUCKSMANN, *European Parliament, European Deputy tbc*

Luca PEREZ, *DG Environment, European Commission, tbc*

André VIOLA (PES/FR), *European Committee of the Regions, rapporteur on water resilience initiative*

Jean-Marc PHILIP, *Vice-president Europe and International Pôle Aqua Valley*

Florian MARIN, *European Economic and Social Committee, rapporteur on the Blue Deal tbc*

Debate with the participants

17:05-17:25 A perspective

Erik ORSENNA, *Great Witness, President of the initiative L'avenir des Grands Fleuves (IAGF)*

17:25-17:30 Closing remarks

André VIOLA (PES/FR), *member of the European Committee of the Regions rapporteur on water resilience initiative*