

**MILLENNIUM PROJECT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING, JULY 2007–
MINNEAPOLIS**

**CENTRO LATINOAMERICANO DE GLOBALIZACION Y PROSPECTIVA -
ARGENTINA**

WATER ISSUES - REPORT

**I - PROSPECTS FOR COLLABORATION: THE MILLENNIUM PROJECT &
NEWATER**

The relationship already set up with The Millennium Project through the Co-organized session held on 2006, for the 4th World WaterForum (4th WWF), should be reinforced.

“ Cooperation actions between both programs may lead to the following results:

- call of international attention on issues and policy options that put people at the centre of strategies to meet the challenges of the future
- dissemination of new knowledge regarding a more holistic concept and framework to assess uncertainty and risk within an interdisciplinary and multi-dimensional approach.
- development and evaluation of tools and best-practice projects to translate the theoretical and complex concept of uncertainty, risk, and environmental security into day-to-day decision-making processes.
- the exchange and dialogue among various experts and institutions to strengthen the cooperation among different scientific disciplines as well as the practical cooperation in research and implementation.”

Raquel Zabala , 2006 Report

“Dear All,

Collaboration with the Millenium project should really be strengthened. I guess that part of the proposal is not up to date anymore since time has passed. After having another closer look I will come back with some suggestions on what we could do. An immediate suggestion from my side - I would like to invite Raquel Zabala to become a member of the scientific committee of the conference on adaptive management organized by NeWater Nov 2007.

Looking forward to further exchange

Best regards

Claudia “

Claudia Pahl-Wostl , 2007

INVITATION TO CAIWA 2007:

The “**1st International Conference on Adaptive & Integrated Water Management: Coping with complexity and uncertainty**” (CAIWA 2007) will be held November 12 – 15, 2007 in Basel, Switzerland. The conference will provide a multidisciplinary platform and bring together scientists from academia, industry, and policy making/government to analyse progress, to explore new research directions and highlight policy implications of scientific findings. It will focus on basic research findings across all sectors of adaptive and integrated water resource management. Furthermore it will share the major scientific insights from the NeWater project with the wider scientific community and embed it into the current scientific debate in all relevant themes. - <http://www.newater.uos.de/caiwa/>

The incorporation of those proposals into the MP agenda and disseminate NeWater's goals and activities among The Millennium Project's nodes may be interesting for both projects"

European nodes

It could be helpful that the MP European nodes get in touch with Prof. Dr. Claudia Pahl-Wostl, Head of Institute for Environmental System Research, University of Osnabrueck, Germany., in order to identify possibilities for collaboration, and the participation on CAIWA 2007.

Claudia Pahl-Wostl - <http://www.usf.uni-osnabrueck.de/>

**Dr. Prof for Resources Management Institute of Environmental Systems
Research University of Osnabrueck**

Latin-American nodes

Taking into account NeWater Programme's proposal to extend its case studies to Latin America, the intervention of the Millennium Project's Node -Globalization and Prospective Latin American Centre (Celgyp)- is managing the institutional articulation required to devise a NeWater partnership project.

II – GLOBAL WATER PARTNERSHIP

The Global Water Partnership is a working partnership among all those involved in water management: government agencies, public institutions, private companies, professional organizations, multilateral development agencies and others committed to the Dublin-Rio principles. Today, this comprehensive partnership actively identifies critical knowledge needs at global, regional and national levels, helps design programs for meeting these needs, and serves as a mechanism for alliance building and information exchange on integrated water resources management.

The GWP Secretariat is located in Stockholm, Sweden. www.gwpforum.org/

CELGYP has become a GWP partner and Raquel Zabala was assigned as the GWP contact person.

III - SIXTH INTER-AMERICAN DIALOGUE ON WATER MANAGEMENT – GUATEMALA, AUGUST 2007

The Sixth Inter-American Dialogue on Water Management is the most prominent regional event that gathers a wide array of stakeholders and practitioners in the theme of water management in the Americas. Organized by the Inter-American Water Resources Network and the Government of Guatemala, with the collaboration of many international agencies, civil society organizations, academic institutions, and the private sector, the Sixth Dialogue will take on the need to evolve "From Dialogue to action – Strengthening partnerships and building the basis for meeting the Millennium Development Goals".

Raquel Zabala is actively collaborating in the organization of the meeting.

The discussions will be held with the assistance of facilitators and moderators that will have the job of summarizing points of view, responses to the key questions in each session. These results will be presented by a Group of Synthesis during the closing session on August 17, 2007. <http://d6.iwrn.net/index.php>

Buenos Aires, July 25, 2007.