



## WOMEN, WATER AND PEACE

**TUESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER, 14:00-15:30 (CET)**



Initiative on Empowering  
 Women in Water Diplomacy  
 in the Middle East and North  
 Africa (MENA) region

The side event aims to highlight the value of female empowerment for promoting transboundary water cooperation. The event will engage female and male representatives of governments as well as regional and international organizations.

Organised by:



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**Eng. Natasha Carmi**, Lead Water Advisor,  
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**Dr. Anthi Brouma**, Deputy Regional  
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## AGENDA

### 14:00-14:10 WELCOMING REMARKS BY CO-ORGANISERS

- Eng. Natasha Carmi, Lead Water Advisor, Geneva Water Hub
- Dr. Anthi Brouma, Deputy Regional Coordinator and Theme Leader on Diversity, Global Water Partnership – Mediterranean (GWP-Med)

### 14:10-14:45 WHY IS FEMALE EMPOWERMENT KEY TO PROMOTING TRANSBOUNDARY WATER COOPERATION?

*Hands-on experience through storytelling*

- Ambassador Charlotta Sparre, Director of the Swedish Dialogue Institute for the Middle East and North Africa, pt Stockholm, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden
- Dr. Lea Kauppi, Senior Advisor, International Affairs Unit, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE)

Q&A

### 14:45-15:00 WHAT ARE THE OBSTACLES TO WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN TRANSBOUNDARY WATER SETTINGS?

*Interactive exercise with real-time feedback using the mentimeter tool*

### 15:00-15:25 WHAT ARE THE OBSTACLES TO WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN TRANSBOUNDARY WATER SETTINGS?

*Reflections and insights from across the globe through panel exchanges*

- Ms. Sonja Koeppel, Secretary of the Water Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes, UNECE
- Tea Törnroos, Head of International Affairs Unit, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE)
- Ambassador Charlotta Sparre, Director of the Swedish Dialogue Institute for the Middle East and North Africa, pt Stockholm, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden
- Dr. Lea Kauppi, Senior Advisor, International Affairs Unit, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE)

### 15:25-15:30 TAKE AWAY MESSAGES AND CLOSURE

- Eng. Natasha Carmi, Lead Water Advisor, Geneva Water Hub
- Dr. Anthi Brouma, Deputy Regional Coordinator and Theme Leader on Diversity, Global Water Partnership – Mediterranean (GWP-Med)