

**CONFERENCE OF EECCA MINISTERS OF FINANCE/ECONOMY, WATER AND ENVIRONMENT  
AND THEIR PARTNERS ON FINANCING WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION IN EECCA**

*Hotel Congress, Yerevan (Armenia)*

*17-18 November 2005*

**Co-Chair:** Mr. Hovik Abrahamyan, Minister of the Territorial Administration of the Republic of Armenia - Coordinating Minister

**Co-Chair:** Mr. Elliot Morley MP, Minister for Environment and Climate Change, UK

**DRAFT AGENDA**

		<i>Thursday, 17th November 2005</i>	<i>Document</i>
<b>1.</b>	<i>19:00-22:00</i>	<p align="center"><b>Official Opening and Cocktail</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Opening Statements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Mr Hovik Abrahamyan, Minister of the Territorial Administration of the Republic of Armenia - Coordinating Minister</li> <li>◆ Mr Elliot Morley MP, Minister for Environment and Climate Change, UK</li> <li>◆ Mr Lorents Lorentsen, Director, OECD Environment Directorate</li> </ul>	
	<i>20 :30-22 :30</i>	<i>Dinner for Ministers</i>	
		<i>Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2005</i>	
<b>2.</b>	<i>09:30-09:35</i>	<b>Adoption of the Agenda of the Conference</b>	Draft Annotated Agenda <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN/A(2005)1</i>
<b>3.</b>	<i>09:35-11:00</i>	<p align="center"><b>I. Assessing progress on implementing the Almaty Guiding Principles and the water related MDGs</b></p> <p align="center"><i>Keynote Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Mr Hryhory Semchuk, Co-chair of the EAP Task Force Group of Senior Officials for Water Supply and Sanitation in EECCA</li> <li>◆ Ms Olga Ponizova, Eco-Forum</li> </ul>	Issues Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)1</i> Progress Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)2</i> MDG Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)3</i> Rural Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)4</i> WHO paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)9</i> NGO paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)10</i>
	<i>11:00-11:30</i>	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>	

4.	11:30-12:30	<p><b>II. Ensuring sufficient financing for the effective operation, maintenance and investment of water infrastructure</b></p> <p><i>Keynote Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Mr Andranik Andreasyan, Chairman, State Committee of Water Systems of the Ministry of Territorial Administration, Armenia</li> <li>◆ Mr Yuri Tyrtyshev, Deputy Head, Federal Agency for Construction, Housing, and Communal Services, Russian Federation</li> </ul>	<p>Issues Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)1</i></p> <p>Financing options paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)6</i></p>
5.	12:30-14:30	<p><b><i>Lunch for Ministers – Informal Discussion</i></b></p> <p><b><i>“Are the MDGs a useful tool to structure partnerships in the WSS sector?”</i></b></p> <p><i>Chair:</i></p> <p>Mr Patrick Murphy, Head of Unit, European Commission</p> <p><i>Keynote Speaker:</i></p> <p>Mr Jamal Saghir, Director Energy and Water, The World Bank</p>	
6.	14:30-15:30	<p><b>II. Ensuring sufficient financing for the effective operation, maintenance and investment of water infrastructure (continued)</b></p> <p><i>Keynote Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Mr Reinhold Strauss, Regional Director, Europe, Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), Germany</li> <li>◆ Mr Patrick Murphy, Head of Unit, DG Environment, European Commission</li> </ul>	<p>Issues Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)1</i></p> <p>Financing options paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)6</i></p>
	15:30-16:00	<b><i>Coffee/Tea Break</i></b>	
7.	16:00-18:00	<p><b>III. Reforming relations between local governments and water utilities, including the role of the private sector</b></p> <p><i>Keynote Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Mr Sergei Sivaev, Head of Department, Institute for Urban Economics, Russia</li> <li>◆ Mr Tomasz Kayser, Deputy Mayor, Poznan, Poland</li> </ul>	<p>Issues Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)1</i></p> <p>Municipal Reform Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)5</i></p> <p>International PSP Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)7</i></p> <p>Domestic PSP Paper <i>ENV/EPOC/EAP/MIN(2005)8</i></p>
	18:00-18:30	<b><i>Closing of Conference</i></b>	

	18:30-19:15	<i>Press Conference</i>	
	20:00-22:00	<i>Dinner (offered by the hosts)</i>	