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OPENING OF THE SESSION

1. The 51st session of the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (IHP) was held at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris on 20 June 2014. The Chairperson, Mr David Korenfeld Federman (Mexico, representing electoral Group III – Latin America and the Caribbean), and the following Vice-Chairpersons attended the meeting: Mr Johannes Cullmann (Germany, representing electoral Group I – Europe and North America), Mr Mitja Brilly (Slovenia, representing electoral Group II – Eastern and Central Europe), Mr Ian White (Australia, representing electoral Group IV – Asia and the Pacific), Mr Jean Patrice Roger Jourda (Côte d'Ivoire, representing electoral Group Va – Africa), and Mr Mahmoud Abu-Zeid (Egypt, representing electoral Group Vb – Arab States). The list of participants is attached as Annex II.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2. Following welcoming remarks from the Chairperson, the Bureau adopted the agenda (Annex I).

EVALUATION OF THE 20TH SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL OF THE IHP

3. The Chairperson noted that the Secretariat was well prepared for the Council session and the side events. He also thanked all Bureau members for their support in conducting Council sessions. He stressed the importance of having UNESCO-IHP regional officers present at the Council. The Bureau appreciated the organization of the 11th UNESCO-IAHS Kovacs Colloquium held prior to the Council session and recommended to sustain the Colloquium as a back-to-back event with the Council session. The Bureau expressed its satisfaction that side events also included scientific focus to enrich the 21st session of the Council.

NEXT BUREAU MEETING

4. At the invitation of the Chairperson, the Bureau agreed to convene a technical meeting in Mérida, Yucatán, Mexico, on 13 and 14 November 2014. It was determined that holding this technical session will have no implication for the regular budget of IHP, and that a formal session of the Bureau will be held in 2015.

AUDIT OF THE GOVERNANCE OF UNESCO AND DEPENDENT FUNDS, PROGRAMMES, AND ENTITIES

5. Noting the strategic performance review of all the governing bodies of the Organization and their attached funds, programmes and entities, which was mandated by the 37th session of the UNESCO General Conference (37 C/Resolution 96) with the view of governance reform and cost-saving measures, the Chairperson requested the collection of contributions from Council members for the reply of the relevant questionnaires prepared by the external auditor. It was agreed that the Chairperson would consult the Bureau before submitting his reply to the auditors.

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF IHP

6. The Chairperson drew the attention of the Bureau members that 2015 marks the 70th anniversary of UNESCO and the 40th anniversary of IHP. He emphasized the need to give IHP a new dimension focusing on greater visibility and suggested the preparation of a publication dedicated to the 40th anniversary. He also encouraged the Bureau members to

take part in the organization of events in their respective regions and to contribute actively to these celebrations.

OTHER MATTERS

7. The Chairperson requested that future sessions of the Council allocate time for presentation of results by regional hydrologists and other field staff. Likewise, directors of category 2 centres should have the opportunity to present their work during the sessions.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

8. The Chairperson thanked the Bureau members for their cooperation and constructive efforts. He also thanked the Secretariat for its excellent work and emphasized the need for the Bureau members to maintain contact and continue to work together during the Council intersessional periods in order carry out their great responsibility of supporting the implementation of IHP-VIII and achieving the goals of the programme. The Chairperson then closed the session.

ANNEX I

AGENDA

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Evaluation of the 20th session of the Intergovernmental Council of the IHP
4. Next Bureau meeting
5. Audit of the governance of UNESCO and dependent funds, programmes and entities
6. 40th anniversary of IHP
7. Other matters
8. Closure of the session

ANNEX II

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