

## Partnering for Implementation of UNEA-3 Resolution on Water

**Tuesday, 23 October 2018**

**Time: 13.00 – 14.30 p.m.**

**Venue: Conference Room 9**

**Light lunch will be served**

### Description of event:

In December 2017, thanks to the active support of a number of Member States, the United Nations Environment Assembly passed a comprehensive resolution to protect and restore water-related ecosystems, [UNEP/EA 3/ Res.10](#).

This resolution, when implemented, aims to tackle pollution and degradation of water-related ecosystems in a number of different ways and in partnership between Member States, the United Nations, private sector and other actors.

UN Environment has drafted action plans in order to implement this resolution, and a number of steps have already been taken, but it is clear that more needs to be done. Following the meeting at World Water Week- 2018, this lunchtime briefing aims to provide information and updates on implementation of the resolution including further steps needed.

For a full overview of action plans on the resolution to protect and restore freshwater-related ecosystems, [UNEP/EA 3/ Res.10](#); please refer to background documents provided to the subcommittee meeting.

1. Introductory remarks (Proponents of the UNEA-3 Water Resolution (“Addressing water pollution to protect and restore water-related ecosystems”))
  - Tour de table
  - Quick overview of the UNEA-3 Water Resolution (“Addressing water pollution to protect and restore water-related ecosystems”)
  - Role of partnerships, including for data and information solutions
2. Actions and status of implementation of select points in the resolution to date (UN Environment Secretariat):
  - GEMS/Water – the Freshwater global monitoring and capacity building programme, the GEMS/Water trust fund, water quality monitoring and the development of the Global Water Quality Assessment for consideration at UNEA-5
  - Integrated SDG 6 monitoring initiative under UN-Water (GEMI), also drawing upon Earth Observations
  - Implementation of the Framework for Freshwater Ecosystem Management and promotion of water management, including transboundary
  - An update on work related to wastewater and the Global Wastewater Initiative
3. Member State interventions and actions to date
4. Discussion: questions and suggestions for partnerships and implementation
5. Wrap up including timelines, next steps