

# Session 2: Water Accounting

19<sup>th</sup> London Group meeting

London, 12 November 2013

## Session objectives

- To update the London Group on the materials prepared or in preparation to support the implementation of water accounting according
- To identify core water accounting tables
- To progress the SEEA Technical Note on Water Accounting
- To advance the theoretical and practical understanding of particular water accounting issues

## Session papers

- Cores tables for Water Accounting, *United Nations*
- Draft SEEA Technical Note on water Accounting, *United Nations*
- Treatment of Losses, Carl Obst *SEEA Editor*
- Valuation of water, Peter Comisari and Michael Vardon, *Australian Bureau of Statistics*
- Understanding spatial and temporal scales in water accounting, François Soulard, *Statistics Canada*
- Methods for estimating own-account production, Barry Tynan, *Australian Bureau of Statistics*

## Session structure

1. Current materials available, Alessandra Alfieri, *United Nations* (20 minutes)
  - SEEA Water
  - International Recommendations for Water Statistics
  - Material from forthcoming Water Compilation Guidelines
2. Discussion of core tables for water accounting (20 minutes)
  - Paper taken as read.
3. Discussion of draft SEEA technical note on water accounting (20 minutes)
  - Paper taken as read.
4. Issues in water accounting
  - Presentation (20 minutes)
    - Treatment of losses, Carl Obst *SEEA Editor*
  - Discussion (30 minutes). Papers taken as read.
    - Valuation of water
    - Understanding spatial and temporal scales
    - Methods for estimating own-account production
5. Next steps (10 minutes)