

## WWC in Washington DC



World Water Council President Loïc Fauchon and Honorary President Benedito Braga meet Managing Director and Chairwoman of the International Monetary Fund Christine Lagarde, IMF Headquarters, Washington D.C., 4 April 2019

Washington DC, 4 April 2019 - President Loïc Fauchon and Honorary President Benedito Braga were received by Mrs. Christine Lagarde, Managing Director and Chairwoman of the International Monetary Fund in Washington, D.C. They discussed the need to approach water financing inter-sectorally, ensuring that investment provides multiple benefits not only for water and sanitation delivery, but also for nutrition, electricity, health and education. They also discussed the important role of good governance and pricing reform in the water sector.

Presidents Fauchon and Braga were in Washington DC to participate in the World Bank's 2019 Water Week from 2 to 4 April, which provided an opportunity for hundreds of World Bank actors and partners to learn more about the common challenges ahead and the new Water Global Practice (WGP) Strategic Action Plan and new flagship report on water quality. Jennifer Sara, Senior Director of WGP, was elected to the World Water Council's Board of Governors at last year's General Assembly in Marseille.

President Fauchon also seized the opportunity to invite US WWC members to exchange with each other over breakfast on 3 April. On 4 April, he was also warmly welcomed by Global Water 2020 as a special guest speaker during an informal lunch discussion, evoking global hydro-diplomacy, water and sanitation investment, and the 9th World Water Forum in Dakar.

### ***About the World Water Council***

*The World Water Council (WWC) is an international multi-stakeholder platform organization, co-organizer of the World Water Forum, whose mission is to mobilize action on critical water issues at all levels, including the highest decision-making level, by engaging people in debate and challenging conventional thinking on water security. The Council focuses on the political dimensions of water security, adaptation and sustainability. For more information: [www.worldwatercouncil.org](http://www.worldwatercouncil.org) @wwatercouncil*



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*The World Water Forum is the world's largest event on water. Organized every three years with a host country, the Forum provides a unique platform where the water community and key decision makers can collaborate and make long-term progress on global water challenges. The Forum brings together participants from all levels and areas, including politics, multilateral institutions, academia, civil society and the private sector, among others.*

*The 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the Forum was held in 2018 in Brazil and gathered more than 10,000 participants under the theme "Sharing Water". The next edition will take place in Dakar, Senegal, in March 2021. [www.worldwatercouncil.org/world-water-forum](http://www.worldwatercouncil.org/world-water-forum)*

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