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Invitation: Managing water risk – India Water Tool Scoping Workshop

Date and time: Wednesday 30th May 2012, 9.30am – 1.30pm (incl lunch)

Venue: “Maple”, Habitat World, at IHC, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
(Entry from gate number 3 on Vardhman Marg)

Dear Colleague,

Indian industry’s water requirements are under increasing pressure from other sectors, particularly due to rapid population growth and increasing urbanization. Water is a key component of many industrial processes: how industry manages its water impacts is increasingly under scrutiny: more and more it is business-critical. It is increasingly becoming a key business performance indicator on which companies have to report to various audiences. At the same time as facing this challenge, industry has a large opportunity to lead innovation around efficient water use techniques and pollution prevention; to safe-guard against water risks within its own supply chain, and to ensure water is available for its use and that of the communities in which it operates.

In 2007 the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) launched the [Global Water Tool](#); a free and easy to use online tool for companies and organizations to map their water use and assess risks relative to their global operations and supply chains. With the increasing challenges of water availability and management in India, WBCSD member companies want to scope the potential of an India Water Tool to help them understand their own water risks, and in turn improve their own water use efficiencies across their sites, as well as influence water use efficiency in their supply chains.

It is therefore my pleasure to invite you to this workshop with the objectives to

- advance understanding of water tools already available to manage water risks; how they complement each other and what questions they answer
- agree what further support Indian industry needs to drive good water management; how that can be achieved and what role there is for collaborative action
- develop a shared understanding of the potential, as well as the challenges, of an India Water Tool for industry and other interested organizations.
- propose solutions to address challenges and inform the development of the project

Please RSVP to Hannah Greig hannahe1981@yahoo.co.uk by 23rd May to confirm your place.



Joppe Cramwinckel, Director, WBCSD Water

Agenda

9.30 – 10.00	Arrival and tea	
10.00 – 10.20	Welcome The Business of Water – The Global Context	Joppe Cramwinckel Director, WBCSD Water
10.20 – 10.40	The National Framework – The Indian Context	Dr Arunabha Ghosh CEO, CEEW
10.40 – 11.00	What’s already in the tool box? Water management tools – what are they and when do I use them?	Anne Léonore Boffi Manager, WBCSD Water
11.00 – 11.15	Managing water risk in India – what else do industry need?	Mangesh Gupte Head of CSR ACC Limited
11.15 – 11.45	BREAKOUT GROUPS ‘Supporting Indian Industry in good water management’	All
11.45 – 12.15	Feedback	Anne Léonore Boffi
12.15 – 12.30	Next steps and closing remarks	Joppe Cramwinckel
12.30 – 1.30	Networking buffet lunch	All