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IHP Africa National Committees Meeting to conclude with resolutions

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The Department of Water and Sanitation will tomorrow, 13 July 2017 conclude the two-day International Hydrology Programme (IHP) Africa National Committees Meeting at Isango Gate Hotel.

Tomorrow the meeting is expected to identify programmes that need to be prioritized on areas where member states need support on in as far as water issues are concerned.

During today's discussions, delegates expressed concern about infrastructure challenges and skills shortages their countries have. These lead to adverse consequences in the provision of water.

They echoed one another's sentiments about the need for African states' need to support and uplift one another in addressing these challenges instead of relying on people from outside the continent to solve their problems.

This United Nations sanctioned organisation aims to enhance hydrologists' understanding of the water cycle, thereby increasing their capacities to manage and develop their water resources better.

This meeting of Think Tank in the water sector comes at an opportune time when most parts of the country are still recovering from the effects of the drought phenomenon which relentlessly caused serious water challenges over the last while.

Members of the media are invited as follows:

Date : 13 July 2017

Venue : Isango Gate Hotel, Port Elizabeth

Time : 10:00

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