

To Member States  
Non-members of the  
Intergovernmental Council of the  
Intergovernmental Hydrological  
Programme

26 March 2026

**The Assistant Director-General  
for Natural Sciences**

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Madam/Sir,

On behalf of the Director-General, I have the honour to invite you to the 27th session of the Intergovernmental Council of the Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme (IHP), which will take place in presence at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris from 1 to 5 June 2026.

The provisional agenda for the 27th session of the IHP Council is attached for your kind attention. During this session, the Council will review, among other matters, the progress of the IHP-IX implementation, the mid-term evaluation of IHP-IX, the pre-feasibility study of the UNESCO Water Sciences Report and preparations towards the UN 2026 Water Conference.

The Rules of Procedure of the IHP Intergovernmental Council are available online at the following internet address:  
<https://www.unesco.org/en/ihp/council/rules?hub=68140>.

The documents for the 27th Session of the IHP Council will be made available on <https://unesdoc.unesco.org/collections/documents-of-the-ihp-council>, in advance of the session.

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We would be grateful if you could transmit the names and official addresses of the designated representatives of your government to the IHP Secretariat (e-mail: [ihp@unesco.org](mailto:ihp@unesco.org)) by 24 April 2026 at the latest and register them imperatively via Indico through the link:

<https://indico.un.org/event/1021488/registrations/25711/>, to allow the preparation of a provisional list of participants before the session.

Accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lidia Brito'.

Lidia Brito

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- Provisional agenda of the 27th session of the IHP Intergovernmental Council