



Conference: The State in a Globalizing World: the State's responsibility in providing water

The SID NL Closing Conference 2012 is organised on Friday September 14 in cooperation with the African Studies Centre (ASC) and Vitens Evides International (VEI), supported by NCDO and the Worldconnectors.

It is the closing session of the SID 2011-2012 Lecture Series 'The State in a Globalizing World: problematic, yet indispensable', in which we aim to understand the changing role of the nation state, and its relations with other actors including other states, corporates and civil society. This conference is looking at a concrete case: the cooperation of a private partner with both the Dutch and an African State (Mozambique) in providing drinking water to households. What works and what does not? What is the potential of private sector involvement, and which role should the state have herein?

Date: Friday 14 September 2012 from 9:30-14:00 (doors open at 9:00)
Location: De Glazen Zaal, The Hague
Language: English

Suggested programme

Chair/moderator: Willemijn Aerdt (Co-Chair of the Worldconnectors)

9:00 Doors open/Registration

9:30 Welcome by René Grotenhuis (President SID NL)

9:35 Opening by Ton Dietz (Director African Studies Centre) // Aad van der Velden (Vitens)

9:55 – 11:30 Session 1: The changing role of the state in providing common goods

9:55-10:05 Introduction by Ben Knapen, Dutch Minister for Development Cooperation (*to be confirmed*)

10:05-10:25 The changing responsibility of the African State in providing common goods
Dr. Ebrima Sall (Executive Secretary, CODESRIA)

10:25-10:45 Q&A

10:45-11:05 Providing (clean and safe) drinking water in Africa: the case of Mozambique (*speaker to be confirmed*)

11:05-11:30 Q&A

11:25-11:55 Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:30 Session 2: Hybridization of the public-private framework

12:00-12:30 Panel-discussion with representatives of government(s), private partners and others
Speakers to be confirmed

12:30-13:20 Discussion with audience

13:20-13:30 Concluding words by Ton Dietz (ASC)

13:30 Closing words (5 mins) by René Grotenhuis (SID NL)

Lunch