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UNDP-Global Water Solidarity Side event: Local level actions in decentralized water solidarity towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015

This side event hosted an interactive panel with Spanish local level representatives accompanied by the GWS mediator with the aim of empathizing the experiences and achievements of Spanish local actors in the exercise of decentralized water solidarity by implementing also the territorial approach and multidimensional governance in water and sanitation area. The panel composed by representatives of Municipality of Zaragoza (Julio Martínez), Municipality of Vitoria (Aitor Gabilondo), GWS Expert (Ma. Jesus Cajal) and ECODES-Alianza por el Agua (Victor Viñuales), promoted dialogue around the importance of decentralized cooperation for the achievement of universal access to water and sanitation and to contribute to the efforts related to the post 2015 Development agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals. Furthermore, the panelists and the assistants to the event agreed on the added value of a Platform like UNDP GWS by boosting the movement of decentralized cooperation for water and sanitation and bringing the integrated and participatory approach to the decentralized water solidarity. Finally, during this event UNDP Global Water Solidarity launched its new web space to support and facilitate local level decentralized water solidarity for the post 2015 development agenda.

## **Session photos:**

