



WATER AND SANITATION: A crisis of commitment

**Press conference in Room S-226
Thursday 21 April at 12.45pm**

Mikhail Gorbachev

President of Green Cross International

*"We must aim for universal access to water and basic sanitation—
anything less is a violation of our civilisation, our human rights, and our morality."*

His Royal Highness Prince Willem-Alexander

The Prince of Orange (The Netherlands)

*"The world water crisis is a crisis of governance - not one of scarcity. No single type of
intervention has greater overall impact upon economic development and public health than the
provision of safe drinking water and proper sanitation."*

To be moderated by

Ambassador John Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda)

Chairman of CSD-13

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