

Accelerating solutions to achieve SDG 6 by 2030



Region
Global

Partners

World Bank Global Water Practice, Sweden/SIDA, The Netherlands/DGIS, Australia/DFAT, UK/DFID, Rockefeller Foundation, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Swiss State Secretariat of Economic Affairs/SECO, and Norway.

Background information

Most donor support for the water sector in many countries focuses on individual subsectors, and has not addressed the broader challenges of water as set out in SDG 6 for sustainable development to support households, agriculture, manufacturing, job creation, and the environment

Project objectives

Solve complex water and sanitation challenges by helping governments achieve Sustainable Development Goal 6 and other water-related SDGs through global knowledge and partnerships as well as country level support that leverages WBG financial instruments.

Beneficiaries

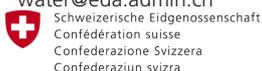
Governments, citizens, academic sector, civil society, private sector.

Costs&Duration

8 – 10 million. USD
2017 - 2021

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The Global Water Goal SDG 6 requires an integrated approach to reflect a “Water writ large” agenda

Water touches nearly every aspect of development. It drives economic growth, supports healthy ecosystems and is fundamental for life. However, this critical resource can harm as well as help. Water-related hazards such as floods, storms, and droughts are responsible for 9 out of 10 natural disasters. Climate change is expected to increase this risk and place even greater stress on scarce water supplies. In addition, increasing global water pollution from various sources is another challenge which needs to be addressed. New challenges and new contexts require new responses. That is why the World Bank, together with its partners, has launched a new partnership for a water-secure world, the GWSP. Building on a nearly half-century of collaboration driven by the Water and Sanitation Program (WSP), the Water Partnership Program (WPP) and others, GWSP has consolidated the work and influence of those long-standing trust funds into one cohesive program. The GWSP aims to provide action equal to the ambition articulated within the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

A Global Trust Fund to Advance Knowledge and Building Capacity at Scale around SDG 6

The Global Water Security and Sanitation Partnership (GWSP) of the World Bank Water Global Practice is a trust-fund based global partnership with the objective to address the water and sanitation challenge in an integrated manner, as set out in the global water goal (SDG 6). This support will advance innovative global knowledge production and exchange as well as build capacity through country-level support across regions with a focus on the population excluded the most from water investments and services (with a focus on women through a new gender strategy).

With its portfolio of water investments and water experts, the World Bank is uniquely positioned to lead these efforts, by developing and sharing global knowledge while also amplifying the impact of the World Bank Group financial instruments through technical assistance on the ground across regions, with a particular focus on Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Haiti, Uganda, Vietnam and Pakistan.

The GWSP primarily focuses on advancing knowledge and building capacity. It supports client governments to achieve the water-related SDGs through the generation of innovative global knowledge and the provision of country-level support, while leveraging World Bank Group financial instruments and promoting global dialogue and advocacy with key partners and clients to increase reach and impact. This partnership provides new opportunities to test and scale-up innovations, build country capacity where needed and influence country demand and World Bank operations.

The Foundation of GWSP’s Mission: 5 priority themes have been identified where action is critically needed to achieve the SDGs for water:

- Sustainability
- Institutions
- Financing
- Inclusion
- Resilience

Key outputs of the planned phase (partnership and based on complementary approaches SDC/SECO):

- Global Knowledge products and analytical tools,
- Technical Assistance and Capacity-building
- Leveraging knowledge and partnership at global and regional and country-level along the 5 priority themes in the areas of:
 1. Water Supply and Sanitation.
 2. Agricultural Water Management.
 3. Water Resources Management, Trans boundary Water Cooperation.
 4. Water, Poverty and Economy.
 5. Hydropower and Dams.

GWSP'S POTENTIAL TO INFLUENCE WORLD BANK LENDING



GWSP influence on global World Bank lending translates into lending projects in Africa (25), Middle East & North Africa (9), Europe & Central Asia (20), South Asia (8), East Asia (8), and Latin America and the Caribbean (24).

Additional information:
<http://www.worldbank.org/gwsp>

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/video/2018/07/05/priorities-to-achieve-a-water-secure-world>