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Geneva, 6 June 2017

**Office of the  
Secretary General**

Dear Secretary General,

During its recent session in Dhaka, Bangladesh, the IPU Committee on Middle East Questions reaffirmed its commitment to forge ahead with the projects of peace as the only Middle East peace process initiative currently making headway, and therefore to reconvene the second Roundtable on water as soon as possible.

Following consultations it was decided that Geneva would be the most appropriate venue for the Roundtable for the moment and the proposed dates are 5 – 6 July 2017.

The Second Roundtable wishes to build on the success and positive outcomes of the first by once again inviting Arab parliaments to participate in the Roundtable along with the members of the Committee, scientific and technical experts. The Roundtable on Water represents an important platform for parliamentarians and experts to cooperate and build the future of the whole region. I would therefore encourage all delegations to bring along parliamentarians from their relevant committees dealing with water issues, advisors and experts who can share their national expertise in this field.

You will find attached the concept note and the registration form. The detailed programme of the Roundtable will be circulated later. These and other documents related to the meeting will also be available on the IPU website.

I look forward to welcoming you soon in Geneva.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chungong  
Secretary General

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## Committee on Middle East Questions

# Second Roundtable on Water: *From words to actions*

6 - 7 July 2017  
IPU Headquarters  
Geneva, Switzerland

### Annotated Programme

#### Thursday, 6 July

- 10:00 – 10:30 **Welcome and introduction**
- Opening addresses by:
    - o *Ms. Denise Pascal Allende, President of the Committee*
    - o *Mr. Martin Chungong, IPU Secretary General*
- 10:30 – 11:00 **Session 1: Science for Peace**
- Presentation by Dr. Herwig Schopper: Science as a tool for bringing nations together  
Discussion on regional scientific initiatives aimed at promoting peace and co-existence
- 11:00 – 12:00 **Session 2: Water and peace**
- The former President of Slovenia and Chair of the Global High-level Panel on Water and Peace, *Mr. Danilo Türk*  
The nexus between water and peace processes presented by: Director of the Geneva-based WaterHub, *Mr. François Münger*  
Q&A
- 12:00 – 13:00 **Session 3: The role of parliaments and parliamentarians in the implementation of SDG 6**
- Follow-up of the proposed programme of action presented in October 2016
- *Ms. Amanda Loeffen, Director General at WaterLex*
- 13:00 – 14:45 **Lunch hosted by the IPU Secretary General at IPU Headquarters**
- 14:45 – 15:00 **Group photo**
- 15:00 – 17:00 **Session 4: New and renewable water**
- “Making the water pie bigger”:  
*Presentation on addressing water scarcity by Ms. Natasha Carmi*
  - Existing technologies:  
*WaterLex will provide examples of realistic and affordable technologies available to renew and re-use water and practices of good governance, making these technologies sustainable*
  - New technologies:  
*Experts will provide examples of national desalination techniques and the role of science and technology in water management*

## Friday, 7 July

- 10:00 – 11:00     **Session 5: Science models to promote the dialogue and Science for Peace School**
- Presentation on the models offered by the world of science to foster intercultural dialogue and on the “Science for Peace School” programme by Dr. Maurizio Bona, Senior Advisor in charge of Relations with Parliaments and Science for Policy at CERN
- 11:00 – 12:00     **Session 6: Pilot country mapping**
- Presentation of case studies by WaterLex Programme Director, Africa Region, *Ms. Rose Osinde Alabaster*
  - Discussion on possible pilot countries
- 12:00 – 13:00     **Session 7: National experiences**
- Participants will be invited to share their national experiences in the field of water initiatives
- 13:00 – 15:00     **Lunch break**
- 15:00 – 16:00     **Session 8: Parliamentary Network on Water (PNoW): objectives and working modalities and next steps for the roundtable**
- Presentation on PNoW
  - Development of programme implementation and action points
- 16:00 - 17:00     **Session 9: Next steps**
- Finalization of draft recommendations for the next Roundtable



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## **Draft agenda**

- 1. Welcome and introduction**  
*by the IPU Secretary General and Committee President*
- 2. Science for Peace**  
*CERN is a pioneer in the area of placing science at the service of peace*
- 3. Water and Peace**  
*Senior political figures will connect the dots between water and peace*
- 4. The role of parliaments and parliamentarians in the implementation of SDG 6**  
*WaterLex will outline the role of MPs in achieving the SDG on water*
- 5. New and renewable water**  
*Scientific experts will provide an overview of cutting-edge water technologies*
- 6. Science models to promote the dialogue and Science for Peace School**  
*CERN will present models of science to promote intercultural dialogue*
- 7. Pilot country mapping**  
*Case studies and identification of future pilot countries*
- 8. National experiences**  
*Exchange of country experiences*
- 9. Parliamentary Network on Water (PNoW)**  
*Establishment and proposed modalities*
- 10. Next steps**  
*Recommendations for the way forward*



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# Second Roundtable on Water

Geneva, 29 May 2017

### Concept Note

At its session held in Lusaka in March 2016, the Committee on Middle East Questions adopted the Terms of Reference for a regional Roundtable approach for changing elements of conflict (such as water, food, power and technology) to reasons for regional coexistence. Members of the Committee are imminently aware that it is not up to parliaments to negotiate peace, let alone sign peace agreements. The regional roundtable approach is not intended to be part of the final stages of political negotiations between Israel and Palestine, or indeed between any other countries. The roundtable approach emphasizes the use of science and technology and the exchange of national expertise and experiences to address regional challenges. The Committee decided to hold its first session on new and renewable water.

The First Roundtable on Water, held in Geneva from 31 May to 2 June 2016, convened parliamentarians from the region and experts from WaterLex, the European Organization for Nuclear Research - CERN - and the Synchrotron-Light for Experimental Science and Applications in the Middle East – (SESAME) to discuss how science can bring solutions to the regional challenges in order to create an environment conducive to peace in the Middle East. The Roundtable discussed the challenges of water management in the region and opportunities for water cooperation, underlining the notion of “making the water pie bigger” to increase available resources for both domestic consumption and irrigation purposes through scientific processes and legislation. (Further information about the Roundtable can be found on IPU’s website: <http://www.ipu.org/splz-e/water16.htm> ).

The recommendations of the First Roundtable included:

- 1) establishing a Transitional Legal Framework (TLF) as a basis for IPU guidelines on the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal on clean water and sanitation (SDG 6) in the Middle East, to be presented at the 135<sup>th</sup> IPU General Assembly in Geneva in October 2016;
- 2) establishing a specialized network for parliamentary committees from the Middle East to cooperate on the issue of water through the exchange of scientific and technological experiences;
- 3) implementing water projects on the ground, including that of scientific teacher training programmes on water and sanitation in schools in the Middle East;
- 4) supporting the implementation of already existing international projects on water in the Middle East.

The Committee, at its session held in Geneva in October 2016 on the occasion of the 135<sup>th</sup> Assembly, endorsed and goodwill. In order to obtain a concise picture of the mechanisms envisaged for the results of its First Roundtable on Water that had taken place in a spirit of dialogue implementing its recommendations, the Secretariat drew up an agenda for the Second Roundtable on Water that is presented below. The Committee had also reconfirmed its decision from the First Roundtable on Water to hold a second Roundtable to discuss its recommendations and the implementation plans.

## **Objectives and expected outcomes of the Second Roundtable**

The Second Roundtable on Water aims to turn words into actions in order to develop a tailored regional cooperative project stemming from the recommendations of the First Roundtable. Discussions will focus on the implementation mechanisms and the fields of cooperation within a suitable format for the exchange of technological and legislative expertise between regional partners. The second part of the discussions aims to explore means of bringing science closer to the people by focusing on new and renewable water through the establishment of a regional parliamentary network on water (PNoW) which would serve as a platform for cooperation to address regional challenges.

The Roundtable seeks to advance the discussions on a regional programme of action on new and renewable water through the enhancement of the understanding of the Sustainable Development Goal 6 on water and sanitation, especially the role of parliaments in the implementation of this goal. It will also draw up a possible pilot project to be implemented on the ground. The Roundtable will establish the structure of the PNoW and its relation with the Committee and the IPU governing bodies to enhance the understanding of its work and draw up an agenda for its next steps.

The Roundtable report will be presented to the IPU Governing Council in St. Petersburg in October 2017, and will include a proposed programme of implementation.

**Format:** Chaired by the President of the Committee, the Roundtable will consist of interventions by relevant experts followed by presentations by MPs of their country's experiences in the area of new and renewable water. The Roundtable will be a platform for open discussions on the technological and the legislative aspect of the usage of water. The participants will be invited to develop a plan of action.

**Venue and dates:** Geneva, 5 – 6 July 2017

**Participation:** Members of the Middle East Committee, parliaments of the Middle East and North African region and experts from WaterLex and CERN.

**Languages:** The working languages will be English, French, Arabic and Spanish.



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### Working Paper I produced by the IPU and WaterLex: The role of parliaments in implementation of SDG 6 on water

#### Introduction

Fresh water is a scarce resource, with increasing population growth, rapid urbanization, the negative effects of climate change and competing demands all exerting increasing pressure on it. Water crises have been highlighted as the most important concern for the coming decade. The Middle East region hosts 14 of the world's 33 most water-stressed countries. Studies show that since 1946 there have been 37 cases of reported violence between States over water, among which 30 have occurred within the Middle East. At the same time, it has been also identified that "any two countries engaged in active water cooperation do not go to war for any other reason". Active water cooperation between countries reduces the risk of war".<sup>1</sup>

UN Secretary-General, António Guterres, warned that by 2050, global demand for fresh water is projected to grow by more than 40 per cent and at least a quarter of the world's population will live in countries with "chronic or recurrent" lack of clean water. Currently, more than 800 million people lack access to safe drinking water and more than 2.5 billion do not have basic sanitation. Mr. Guterres stressed that water, peace and security are inextricably linked, and therefore the United Nations is ready to engage in preventive diplomacy to keep the competition for water from sparking conflicts.

#### Sustainable Development Goal 6

Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6) is the goal on water. It is critically important to achieve many other SDGs such as those covering food, health, a healthy environment, climate change and gender equality. For the Middle East region, which is prone to water scarcity, the adoption of the 2030 Agenda is an opportunity for governments to improve the quality of life for many of their citizens.

The SDGs present crucial momentum to take action in ensuring the availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all, that is to take concrete actions based on national targets and indicators to achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all (6.1); to ensure access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open defecation (6.2); to improve water quality (6.3); to substantially increase water-use efficiency and to ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address water scarcity (6.4); to implement integrated water resources management at all levels, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate (6.5); and to protect and restore water-related ecosystems (6.6).

It was agreed in the first Roundtable that a regional approach to dealing with the implementation of SDG 6 could enhance synergies which otherwise could not be developed if a single-country approach was adopted. These synergies could include the following:

- Establishment of a regional Parliamentarian Network on Water (PNOW) with regular exchanges of ideas and experiences;
- Identification and establishment of "pilot" countries to share information and good practices through baseline research for water governance:
  - a. A structured approach to progressive realization of SDG 6;
  - b. An opportunity to share ideas for establishing National Action Plans and customised, tailor-made sets of indicators to monitor progress.
  - c. Establishment of an enabling governance framework for encouraging governments to

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<sup>1</sup> SFG, Water Cooperation Quotient - 2015

- utilize the private sector as part of the solution for achieving SDG 6, and;
- The process of identifying these “gaps” in meeting SDG 6 targets would also create a need for sharing technological solutions (in collaboration with our partners, such as CERN and SESAME) for water safety, availability, accessibility, affordability, and acceptability.

### The role of parliamentarians

National parliaments have a key role in ensuring the availability and the sustainable management of water governance through the enactment of ambitious legislation to implement SDGs; adoption of budgets; exercising oversight of government actions in honouring their Sustainable Development Agenda commitments; and promoting the data monitoring.

## ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS in SDG AGENDA

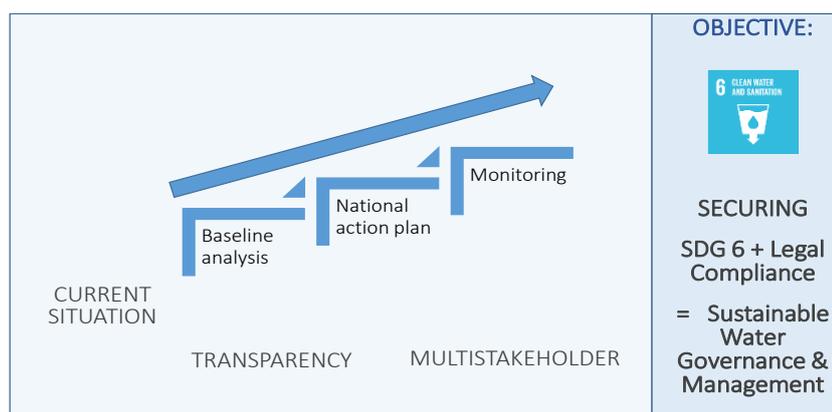
Human Rights, transparency, efficient governance, inclusiveness, non-discrimination

Achieved through:



Parliamentarians are uniquely placed to ensure policy and institutional coherence among sectors; foster multi-stakeholder collaboration; and the mobilization of finance, capacity building, and transfer of technology.

## PROGRESSIVE REALISATION OF SDG 6



The figure above highlights the steps that parliamentarians can support in the realization of SDG6. Starting with understanding the current situation, which involves a rigorous analysis of the governance architecture, covering the laws and policies related to water, and field studies to test the service provided across the whole population, including marginalized populations. The outputs from this baseline analysis provide an understanding of the gaps in the governance framework and allows for a series of recommendations that can help to structure a process of progressive realization over a number of years. This will include the identification of areas for improvement; an outline of the relevant indicators; guidelines for a targeted monitoring programme and engagement with stakeholders.



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### Working Paper II : A Parliamentary Network on Water (PNoW)

**Composition:** Specialized parliamentary committees in the region responsible for water, as well as MPs active in water-related issues, will be invited to join the Network. A chair will be designated to preside over meetings based on the principle of rotation in alphabetical order.

**Purpose:** The regional network of parliamentarians on water (NPOW) is intended to provide a platform for sharing experiences and lessons learned with other countries in the region experiencing similar problems of water scarcity and climate change: this collective approach to implementation will enable results to be achieved faster in a more coherent manner rather than in a piecemeal fashion. This regional approach is designed to leverage the unique position that parliamentarians have to influence change in their respective governments.

The network would create a **community of practice**. Through it, parliamentarians in the Middle East region will be able to enhance their understanding of the underpinnings of the SDG related to water (SDG 6); the nexus between SDG 6 and the human right to water and sanitation; to provide tools and methodologies for parliamentarians to take back home for implementation; to create an inclusive environment where experts are able to share ideas on water solutions with respect to SDG 6. The PNoW will also provide a forum for exchanging good practices in legislation related to water and water consumption and technical solutions for water projects in the region.

**Working modalities:** The PNoW shall report to the IPU Committee on Middle East Questions. The Committee will discuss the report and its recommendations, and the work of the PNoW will be incorporated in the report submitted to the IPU governing bodies. The resources required to support the activities of the Network will be discussed at the next Committee meeting in St. Petersburg.

### Proposed first meeting of the PNoW (First quarter of 2018)

The kick-off meeting would provide an opportunity to discuss the work programme and tailored capacity-building programmes on water and sustainability issues. The PNoW will report back to the IPU Committee on Middle East Questions to brief it on the actions and progress to date. Reporting may also include the feedback from the pilot countries using legal and policy baselines and stakeholder engagement to identify a plan for implementation of SDG 6. It will identify indicators for each pilot country and the development of tools for parliaments.

### Expected outcomes:

- ✓ Provide an opportunity to the regional parliaments to discuss a work programme to address a regional challenge, like water scarcity, in a cooperative context, by exchanging legislative and technical expertise in the area of new and renewable water and to receive tailored capacity-enhancement programmes on water and sustainability issues;
- ✓ PNoW will support, with the external expertise of WaterLex, progress on baseline research in pilot countries to develop concrete recommendations for the implementation of SDG 6;
- ✓ Report on progress; share national experiences on SDG 6 implementation.
- ✓ Ascertain the viability of maintaining and building on parliamentary networks in the future.
- ✓ Support the establishment of regional and national projects on water.





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### Experts' bios

#### Dr. Danilo Türk – Chair, Global High-Level Panel on Water and Peace



Danilo Türk is the Chair of the Global High Level Panel on Water and Peace and the chairman of the board of the Global Fairness Initiative, a Washington-based NGO dedicated to economic and social development in developing nations. He is also the founder of the Danilo Türk Foundation, devoted mostly to the rehabilitation of child victims of armed conflict. In 2016 Mr. Türk was a candidate for the post of Secretary-General of the United Nations. He served as the President of Slovenia from 2007 to 2012.

Mr. Türk was the first Slovene ambassador to the United Nations, from 1992 to 2000, and was the UN Assistant Secretary General for Political Affairs from 2000 to 2005. In 1987 Dr. Türk initiated and participated in the establishment of the Human Rights Council in Slovenia. From 1984 to 1992 he was member of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities as an independent expert and acted in his personal capacity. Since 1975 he has been actively involved with Amnesty International and has acted as adviser in many cases involving human rights violations in the former Yugoslavia.

#### Prof. Dr. Herwig Schopper



Dr. Schopper is an experimental physicist. Currently Dr. Schopper works as an advisor and goodwill ambassador on science for peace. He is the founding father of SESAME, the laboratory for Synchrotron-Light for Experimental Science and Applications in the Middle East, which provides an extremely bright light source to investigate a broad range of domains from condensed matter to biology and archeology. In 1999-2008 he became President of the Preliminary International Council and later, after the formal foundation of SESAME, of the International Council.

At UNESCO, he served as Member of the Physics Action Council and Chairman of the Working Group on Large Facilities, President of the Scientific Council of the Regional Office for Science and Technology ROSTE of UNESCO in Venice (2001-2002) and in 2003-2009 he was the Chairman of the International Advisory Committee for the International Basic Science Programs.

Dr. Schopper was elected Director General of CERN and served from 1981 to 1988. His first task was to unite the two CERN laboratories existing at that time under two Director Generals. The Large Electron-Positron Collider (LEP) was also proposed and constructed under his leadership. From 1977 to 1979, he was Chairman of the Association of the German Large Research Centres (now Helmholtz Association) and member of various advisory bodies of the Federal Ministry of Research, the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft and the Max Planck Society. He also served as President of the European Physical Society.

#### François Münger – Director, Geneva Water Hub



Since 2015 Mr. Münger is the Director of the Geneva Water Hub that he has launched. The Geneva Water Hub is the Secretariat of the Global High Level Panel on Water and Peace, co-convened by fifteen countries, as well as the Secretariat of the Group of Friends on water and Peace with about forty UNOG missions. From 2008 to 2015 he was Head of the Water Initiatives division in the Global Cooperation domain at the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation that he has created and developed. He worked on the following fields: (i) global influence through strategic global networking as GWP, WSSCC, WSP & WWC (ii) partnership with research institutes, Swiss municipalities utilities, NGOs and Private sector (iii) global projects (iv) Interdepartmental coordination of Swiss departments working in the water & development field. He was also the Special Envoy for Water of Switzerland. Mr. Münger has a scientific background in Geophysics, mineralogy, hydrogeology and environmental engineering.

### **Amanda Loeffen – Director General, WaterLex**



Amanda Loeffen is a water governance expert, leading a qualified team of lawyers, policy makers, and technical experts with expertise in water law and policy at WaterLex. WaterLex supports governments and parliamentarians in development of strategies for implementation of SDG6, using the human rights to water and sanitation as a basis for the framework.

Prior to joining WaterLex, Amanda directed a water resource project management company in New Zealand, where she oversaw the design, environmental consent and multi-stakeholder engagement for a large community-owned hydro-irrigation scheme. She has also worked in business management in the private sector, predominantly in natural resources and plastic intermediates. She has a BSc in Chemistry, and an MBA in finance.

### **Dr. Maurizio Bona, CERN – Senior Advisor for relations with Parliaments and Science for policy, European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)**



Maurizio Bona holds an engineering degree, and a Doctor degree on material science. Starting in the mid-eighties he participated in the design and development of the superconducting magnets for the LHC (the Large Hadron Collider accelerator), with key responsibilities in the first full-length dipole prototypes. He also acted as Invited Professor at University, teaching applied superconductivity and superconducting magnets. Between 1998 and 2005 he led various CERN Groups, and from 2006 to 2008 the CERN Safety department.

From 2009 to end 2015 he was the Advisor to the Director-General, charged with relations with international organizations. He was instrumental to develop the CERN network of relations with other international organizations and to obtain the status of Observer for CERN in the General Assembly of the United Nations in December 2012. From January to September 2016 he served as the Head of Relations with international organization. As from October 2016 he is Senior Advisor for relations with Parliaments and Science for policy, as well as Senior Advisor on knowledge transfer.

### **Natasha Carmi – Policy Advisor on Water, Environment, Agriculture and Energy to the Palestinian Negotiations Support Project (PNSP)**



Ms. Carmi, an engineer by education, holds a Master's Degree in Hydrology for Environmental Management from Imperial College. She is currently Policy Advisor on Water, Environment, Agriculture and Energy to the Palestinian Negotiations Support Project (PNSP) and has been a "water team" member on the PNSP for the past six years. Ms. Carmi has worked with water resources and environmental challenges in the Middle East for the past 20 years.

She serves frequently as a faculty member for conferences and workshops dealing with transboundary water resources, presenting the perspective of a country in which all of its water resources are transboundary, where water is a core political issue and international water law is a necessary framework for resolving conflicts and identifying opportunities and solutions.

**Ms. Rose Osinde Alabaster – Programme Director, Africa Region, WaterLex**



Rose Alabaster is a water and sanitation governance and policy expert (with specialized knowledge of human rights and conflict resolution), with close to twenty years of global experience working at international, national and sub-national levels with key development partners including bilateral donors and regional banks such as the African Development Bank. Her experience goes beyond the traditional water sector partners, and includes the formulation and audit of projects and programmes that support sustainable planning, evaluation, research on social, economic issues related to sustainable development, as well as at advisory level to governments and programming.

**Dr. Florian Thevenon – Senior Scientific Officer, Waterlex**



Dr. Florian Thevenon has 15 years of international experience in linking natural scientific-based knowledge and water governance: climate change, human activities and pollution, international policy and human rights. He has collaborated on water capacity development with international organizations (e.g. UNDP, UNESCO, UNEP and UN Water), universities (e.g. Geneva and Kinshasa) and NGOs (e.g. IUCN). He has participated in international projects in Africa, America, Asia and Europe, resulting in the publication of 50 peer-reviewed research articles/reports read 15k and cited 1k times (c.f. ResearchGate Stats).



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### Information note

#### Working modalities

In order for the discussions to be as fruitful and enriching as possible, the following procedural arrangements have been foreseen:

- A detailed programme of the session has been circulated in advance of the Roundtable;
- Once the expert presentations are made in the first half of each session, the floor will then be open to participants for questions, comments, debate or presentation of relevant examples, experiences and models from their respective countries;
- The Committee President will sum up the work of the Roundtable at its concluding session;
- The report of the Roundtable will be submitted to the IPU governing bodies at the 137<sup>th</sup> IPU Assembly in October 2017.

#### Languages

The working languages of the Roundtable will be English, French, Arabic and Spanish. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided into and from these languages.

#### Documents

The official documents for the Roundtable include the programme, concept note, list of participants and information note.

#### Lunch

All participants are invited to a sit-down lunch on Thursday, 6 July at 13:15 at the *House of Parliaments* (IPU Headquarters) directly after the morning's sitting.

#### Hotel accommodation

All participants are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements and bearing the costs of their stay in Geneva.

#### Weather conditions

At the time of the Roundtable temperatures will range between 15°C and 26°C, with no rain expected.



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## List of participants

### Committee Members

**Ms. Denise Pascal Allende**, *President of the Committee / Member of the Chilean National Assembly*  
**Mr. Azzam Al-Ahmad**, *Member of the Palestinian Legislative Council*  
**Ms. Salma Ataullahjan**, *Member of the Canadian Senate*  
**Ms. Rania Elwani**, *Member of the Egyptian Parliament*  
**Mr. Nachman Shai**, *Member of the Knesset*

### Parliamentary Delegations

#### Israel

**Ms. Ksenia Svetlova**, *Member of the Knesset*  
**Ms. Liat Margalit**, *International Affairs Coordinator of the Knesset*

#### Jordan

**Mr. Mohd Al-Najar**, *Member of the Jordanian Senate*  
**Mr. Adnan Al-Mashakbeeh**, *Head of International Relations of the Jordanian Senate*

#### Morocco

**Mr. Ahmed Touizi**, *Member of the Moroccan Chamber of Councillors*  
**Mr. Nabil Cheikhi**, *Member of the Moroccan Chamber of Councillors*  
**Mr. Mohamed Salem Benmassaoud**, *Member of the Moroccan Chamber of Councillors*  
**Ms. Hayat El Machfou**, *Member of the Moroccan House of Representatives*  
**Mr. Rejdali Moh**, *Member of the Moroccan House of Representatives*

#### Palestine

**Mr. Bashar Al-Deek**, *Advisor to the Secretary General of the Palestinian Legislative Council*

#### United Arab Emirates

**Mr. Ali Jasem Ahmad**, *Member of the UAE Federal National Council*  
**Mr. Sultan Othman Al Shehi**, *Political Researcher at the UAE Federal National Council*

#### Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union

**Mr. Fayez Al Shawabkeh**, *Secretary General of the Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union*

## Experts

**Mr. Danilo Türk**, *Chair of the Global High-level Panel on Water and Peace and Former President of Slovenia*

**Prof. Herwig Schopper**, *Former Director General of CERN*

**Mr. François Münger**, *Director of Water Hub*

**Ms. Amanda Loeffen**, *Director General of WaterLex*

**Dr. Maurizio Bona**, *Senior Advisor in charge of Relations with Parliaments and Science for Policy at CERN*

**Ms. Natasha Carmi**, *Policy Advisor on Water, Environment, Agriculture and Energy of the Palestinian Negotiations Support Project (PNSP)*

**Ms. Rose Osinde Alabaster**, *Programme Director for the Africa Region at WaterLex*

**Dr. Florian Thevenon**, *Senior Scientific Officer at Waterlex*

## IPU

**Mr. Martin Chungong**, *Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union*

**Amb. Mokhtar Omar**, *IPU Secretariat*

# Making the Water Pie Bigger

## “New Water”

### A win-win positive sum solution

Natasha Carmi

Geneva, 6-7 July 2017

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Second roundtable on Water

## 'Making the pie bigger': Generating and sharing regional benefits



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# Objectives

- **of Second Roundtable on Water:** “ To Turn words into actions in order to develop a tailored regional cooperative project stemming from the recommendations of the First Roundtable”
- **Of my presentation:** “ To build upon the New Water presentation I delivered in the First Roundtable in 2016, through our discussion and exchange on my proposed concrete steps towards the actual attainment of a bigger water pie ”

# How did I approach this?

- Preliminary mapping of known existing regional “initiatives”
- Looking at various components of “New Water” in terms of national/regional efforts
- Quick mapping of the known expertise of each of the participating countries in the different components of “New Water”
- Exploring “opportunities “ that would assist in using Water as a vehicle of Peace and the use of “New Water” as one win-win tool for sharing transboundary water resources, and for management of endogenous water resources.

# What is “New Water”

- “New Water”= alternative non-traditional sources of water
- The provision of “new water” refers to the development of water supplies, over and above, those provided by existing water resources, such as through desalination, water re-use, or possible importation from other basins.
- The provision of “new water” is a totally separate issue from specific allocation of the existing shared water resources of the parties
- Investing in “new Water” does not negate , detract, or prejudice Water Rights of a State
- Different forms of “new water” can be used to augment supply of each party
- The continued growth in population- if this persists- will eventually require production of very significant amounts of “new water”

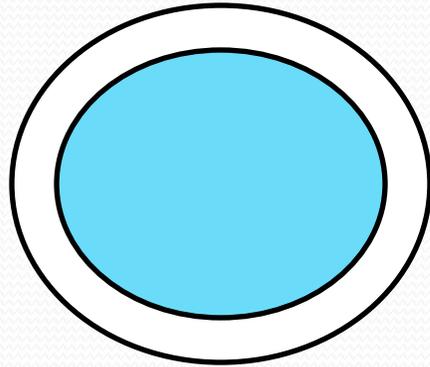
# Recognition of the added value of “New Water”

- Under international law, “new water” which is developed unilaterally by one Party could be employed by the other Party to trigger a reallocation of the total combined water resource, after the original “equitable and reasonable” allocation.
- All responsible and committed parties agree that there is a need to develop new water resources , through a number of activities. It is notable that such “new water” will alter the magnitude of the total water resource in a particular region.

# *Current Components of “New Water”*

- Collaborative Measures = total water in Basin increased
  - ✓ This ‘makes the pie bigger’ and also allows reallocation to occur without any party losing water over time.
  - ✓ This requires New Water can be produced by:
    - ✓ - desalination;
    - ✓ - enhanced wastewater re-use;
    - ✓ - improved Green Water/Blue Water management;
    - ✓ - inter-basin transfers.
- Transition is the key concept, here

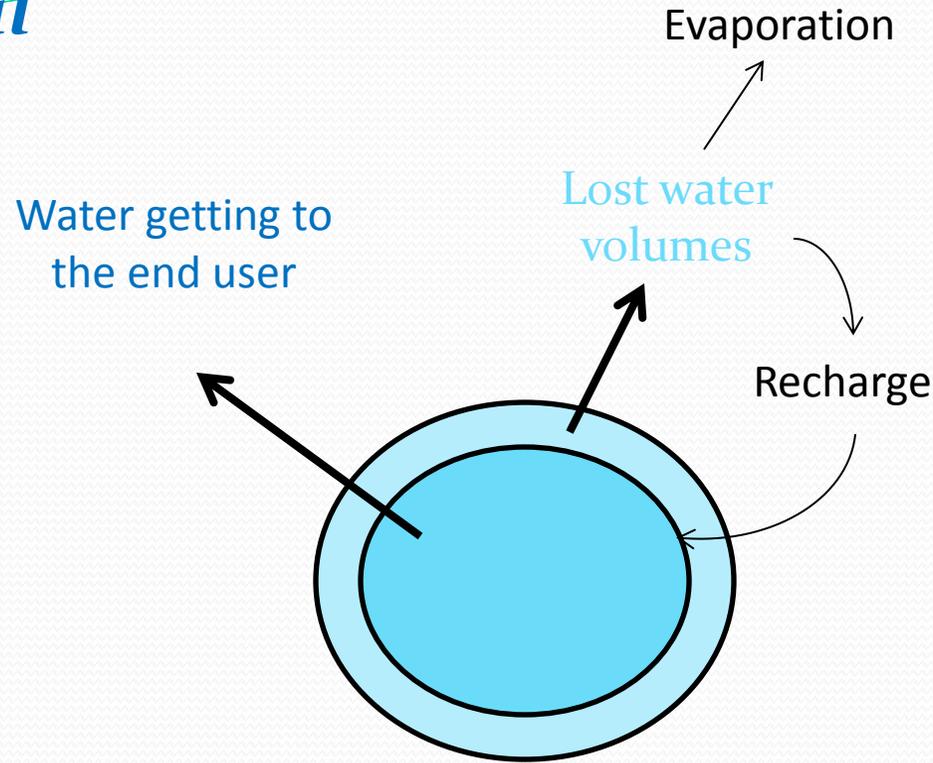
# Making 'New Water'



## *The Status Quo*

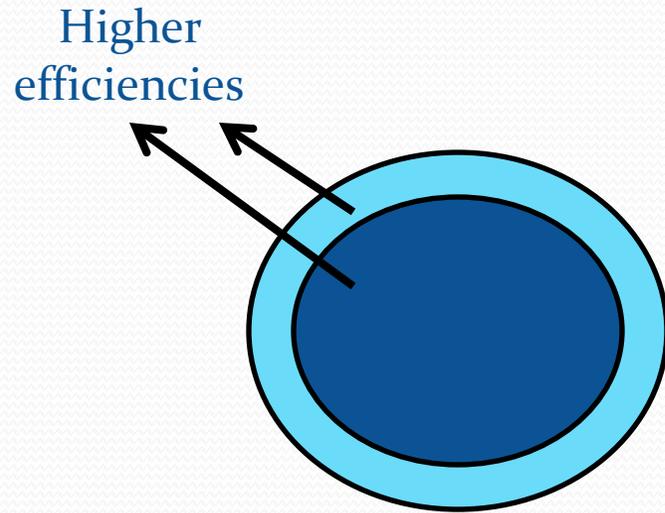
*"The engineers' focus" is on available water, or water that has been mobilised from the natural resource. However, this actually has two components.....*

*National and Regional*



**Step 1: Recognise reality, and reduce losses**  
*“The engineers’ focus” is on available water as noted, but losses from the system are often ignored. Reducing losses (UfW, leakage, etc.) enhances the water volumes getting to the end user.*

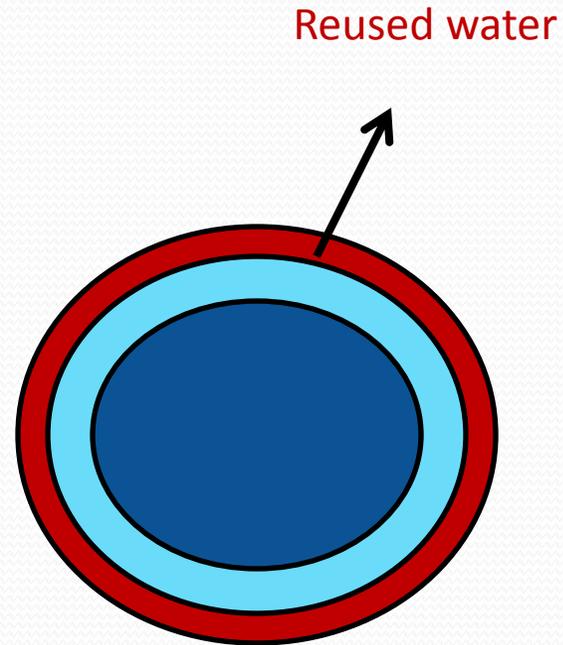
National: Irrigation Efficiency, flood management, drought management, etc..



## Step 2: Water Demand Management

*WDM is another focus of recent efforts, especially where water is scarce. This essentially addresses the efficiency of water use, seeking to improve efficiencies.*

# National and Regional



## Step 3: Introduce reuse of the available supplies

*The reuse of water is possible in many fashions, only some of these involving treatment between the different forms of use. Reuse effectively expands the water volume that is available to end users.*

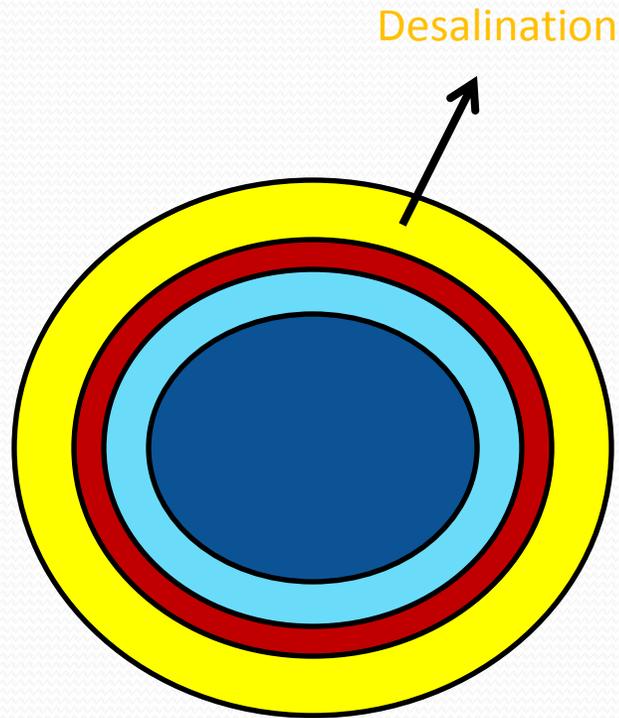
### New Technologies:

- Ultrafiltration (UF) & membrane bioreactor technologies to remove particulates and macromolecules from WW
- Use of RO after filtration to achieve drinkable water quality: Sulaibia WWTP/Kuwait

# MENA Wastewater Status

- Total Volume of WW generated by domestic and industrial sectors in MENA estimated at 13 billion m<sup>3</sup>/year
- Only 6 billion m<sup>3</sup> are treated ( Water Scarcity in MENA, 2014)
- 57% of WW is only partially treated or not at all.
- Shafdan- Israel treats 95% of WW and re-uses it/ Has 230 reservoirs for treated WW storage

# National and Regional



## Step 4: Introduce desalination

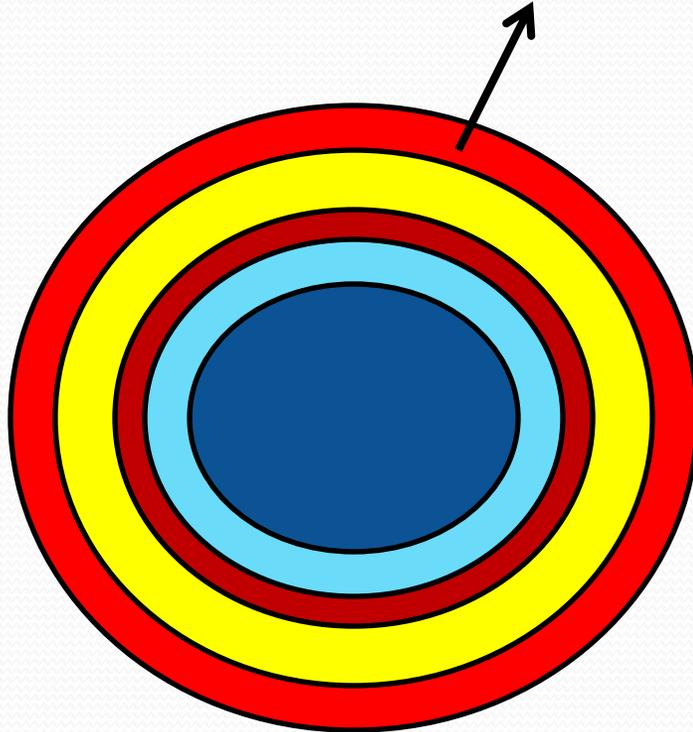
*The costs of desalination have reduced significantly in the last two decades, implying that this is now affordable in many circumstances. This changes the preferred strategies for water supply in many scenarios.*

### New Technologies:

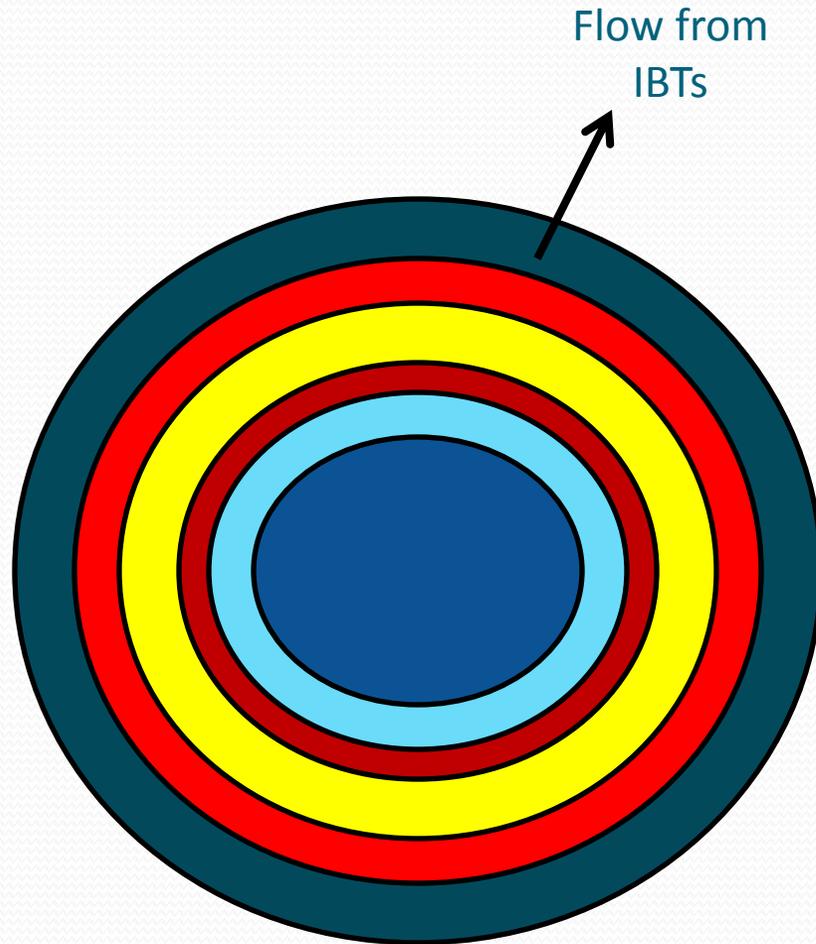
- Use of deploying concentrated solar power
- Use of Photovoltaic PV solar installation for brackish water treatment and powering water pumping stations
- Use of clean energy in rural off grid areas for soil fumigation and for drying animal feed

## National and Regional

Reuse of desalinated flows after treatment



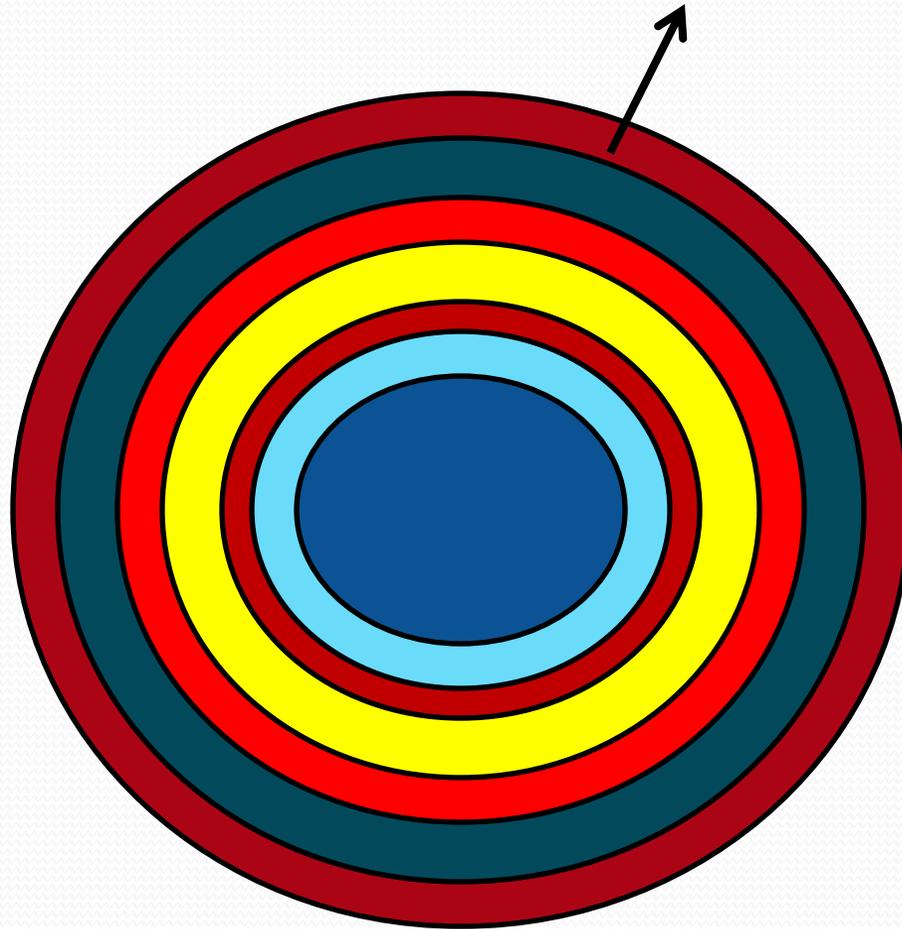
**Step 5: Reuse the desalinated supply**  
*Desalinated flows are generally used as domestic supply. Up to 70% of domestic wastewater flows can be reused after treatment, as little contamination by metals/trace organics eventuates.*



**Step 6: Introduce inter-basin transfers**

*In basins where particular water scarcity exists, IBTs may be used to bring water from elsewhere. This is especially common in some regions, and has great potential in the Middle East.*

**Basin-wide agreement needed**

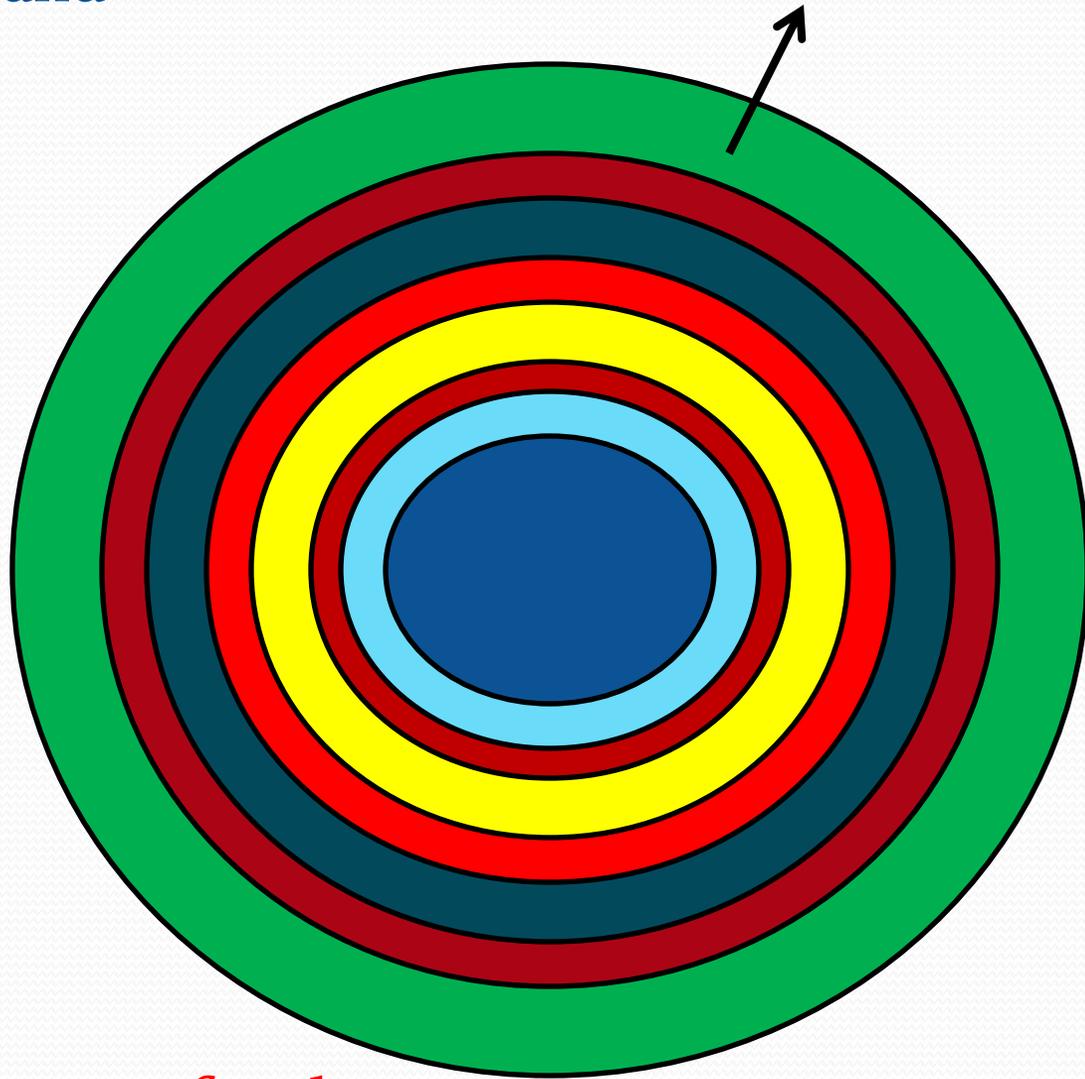


**Step 7: Reuse the IBT flows**

*Flows that are transferred into water-scarce basins through IBTs can also be reused, enhancing the overall efficiency of water use.*

National and  
Regional

Green Water



**Step 8: Use Green  
Water better**

*Green Water (soil water) volumes can be considerably greater than those of Blue Water. Greater attention to the Green Water/Blue Water interface can enhance agricultural outputs very considerably.*

Water- energy- food-  
soil nexus

# Nexus research at universities

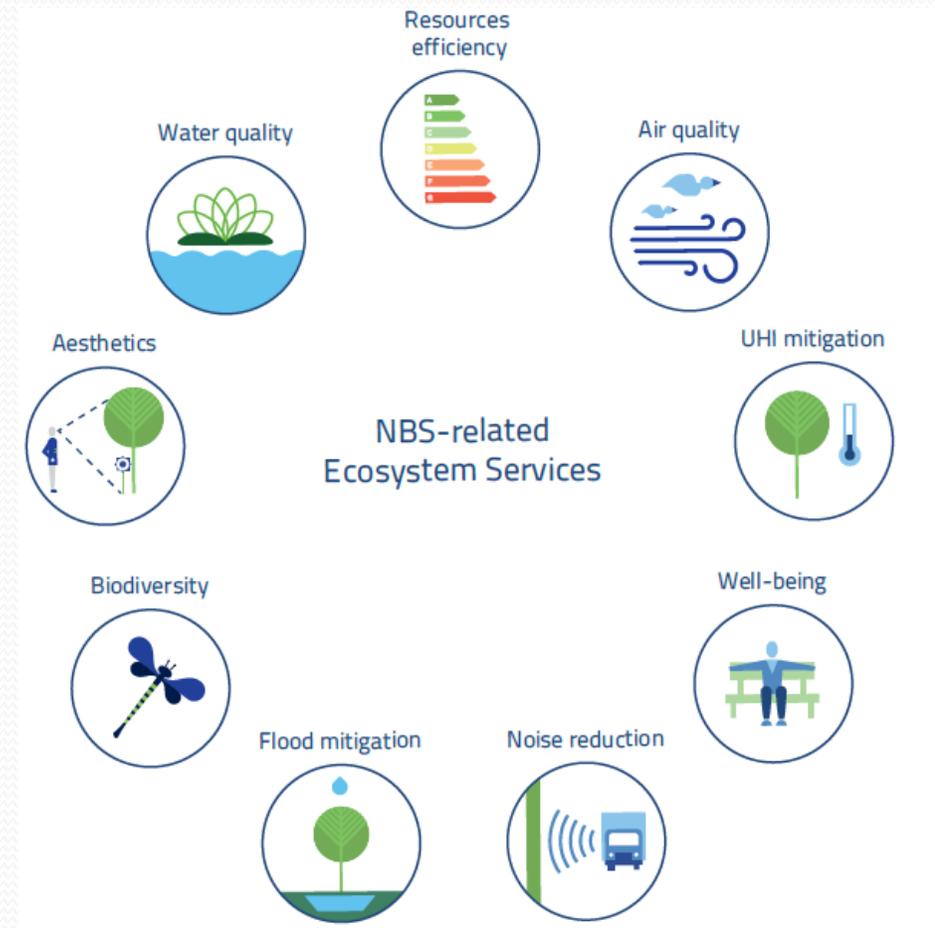
- Ongoing tradeoff analysis using nexus platform including elements of water quality, water saving , productivity technology, cost, soil heath and human risk
- Tools have been developed
- Filed and laboratory measurements

# Blue Green Solutions- Private Sector

- Nature Based Solutions (NBS) – green infrastructure installations such as green roofs, tree pits and swales – can yield multiple urban benefits. These include reduction of water and air pollution, mitigation of flood risk and heat islands, as well as provision of areas for recreation and urban agriculture.
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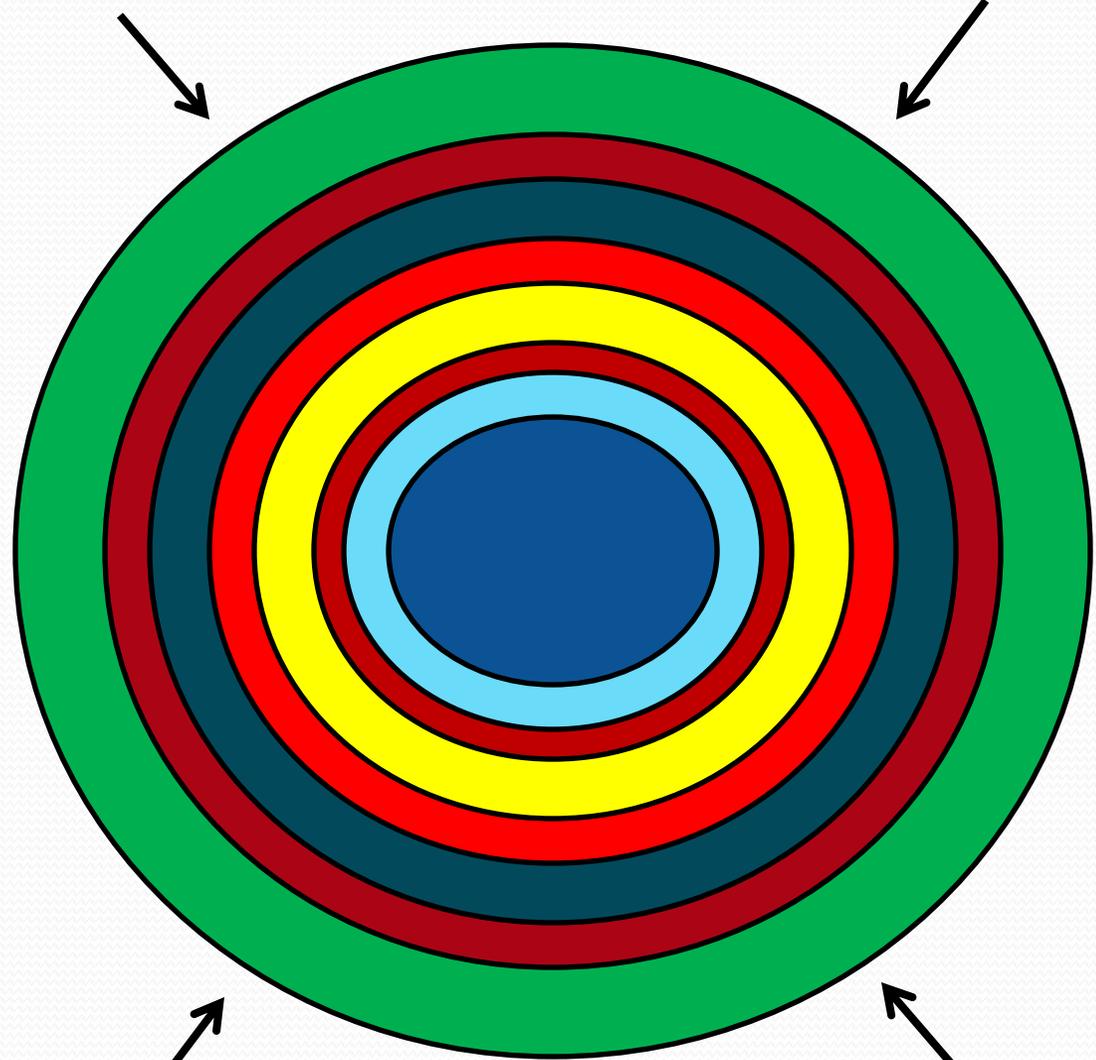
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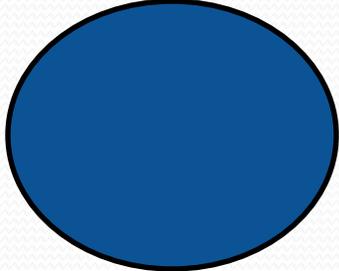
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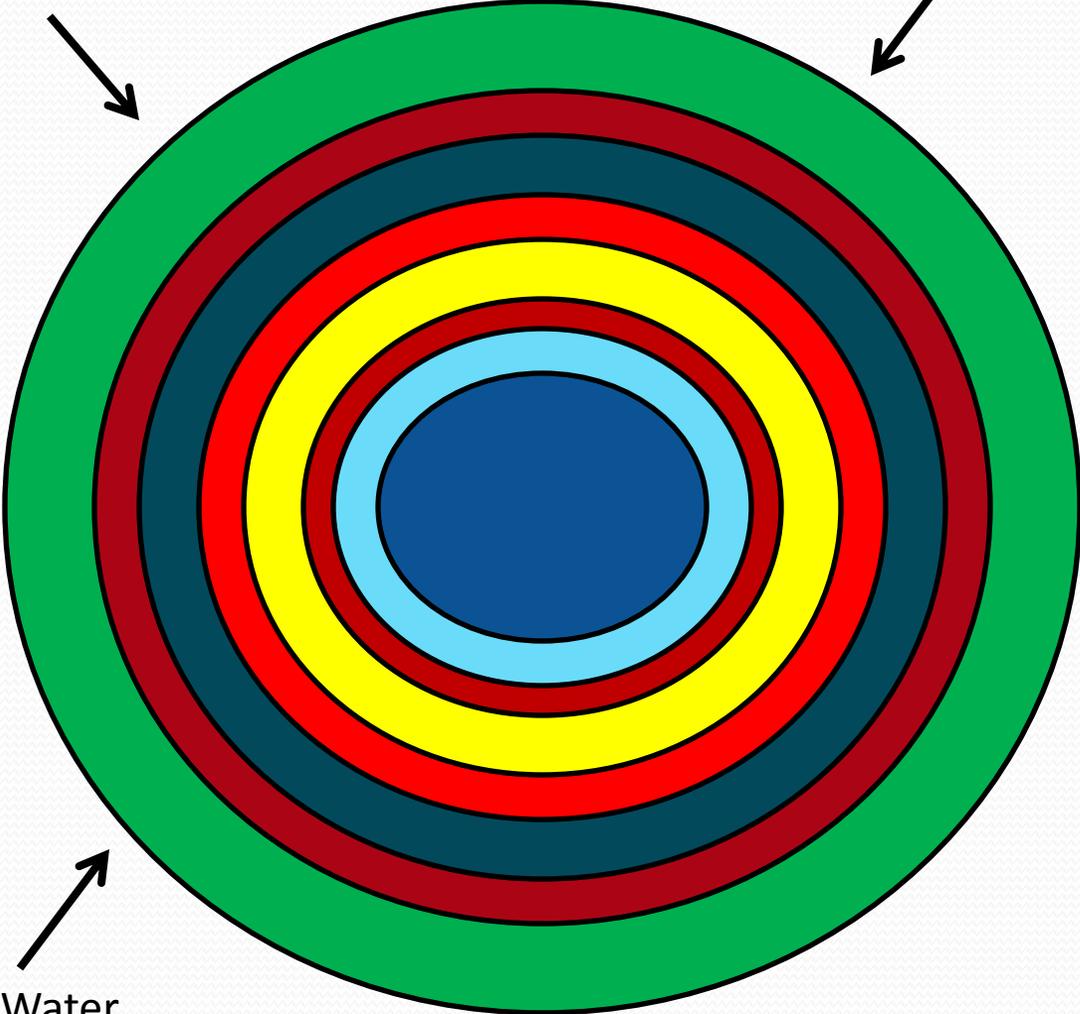
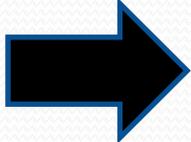
## Step 9: Consider Virtual Water

*Trade in agricultural and industrial products determines Virtual Water flows. Water-scarce countries can address their problems through this (e.g. Israel; Egypt). Many countries are ignorant of this possibility, however.*

Making the pie bigger...



*The status quo*



Virtual Water

*The potential end point*

Virtual Water

Virtual Water

# Preliminary mapping of Country expertise

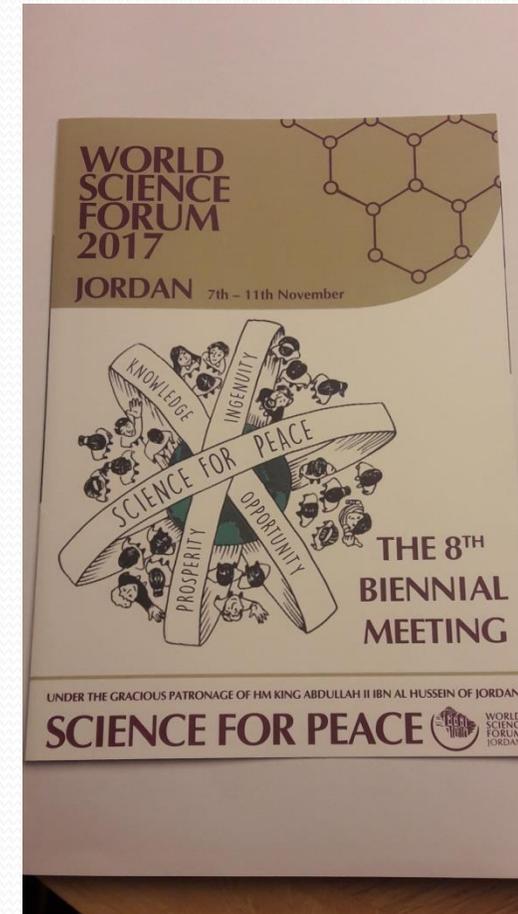
Country	Expertise vis-à-vis component of “New Water”
UAE	Brackish and seawater desalination
Jordan	Water saving technologies/re-use of WW
Israel	Seawater desalination and wastewater re-use
Palestine	Water demand management, desalination young expertise
Morocco	Privatization of urban water utilities, developing potential for use of solar energy in desalination
Egypt	Managing complex irrigation networks WDM
Chile	
Canada	
Indonesia	
Belgian	
Switzerland	

# Opportunities

- National Strategy Plans on IWRM
- SDGs and Commitment of UN member states
- Young creative scientists thinking “out of the box”
- Successful and workable regional initiatives/organisations
- Technological advances
- Women, water and peace
- Emerging paradigms: Water-Energy Nexus, Water-energy-food nexus, Blue –Green Paradigm, etc..
- Role of research institutions
- Private sector partnerships

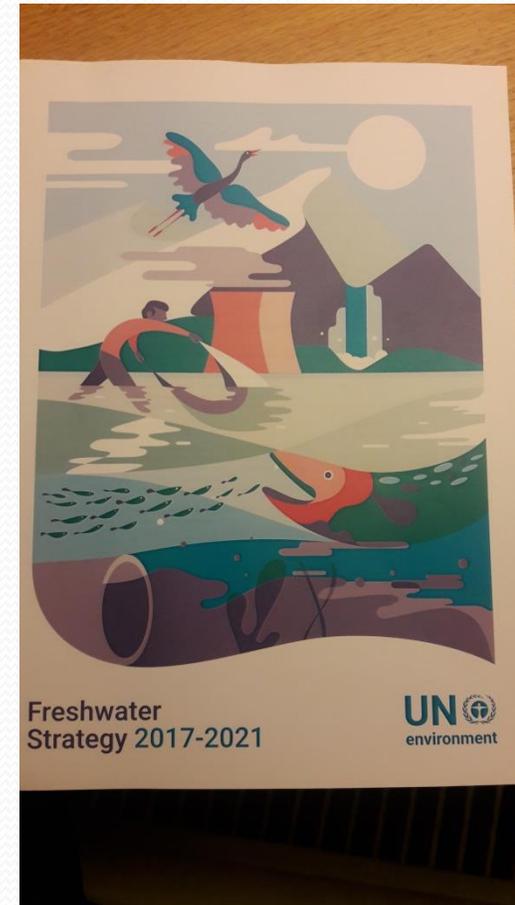
# Opportunities: WSF

- World Science Forum 2017 ,8<sup>th</sup> biennial meeting , 7<sup>th</sup> to 11 November , Dead Sea Jordan – “Scienc for Peace”
- Discover the latest developments in policy and hard science
- Define a policy agenda to support Agenda 2030
- Engage with old and new networks of scientists and policy makers who share a belief in the power of science



# Opportunity : UN Environment

- UN Environment Freshwater Strategy 2016-2021
- The achievement of freshwater related SDGs falls under mandate of UN Environment
- SDG 6.3 Meeting the global water quality challenge
- SDG 6.5 Advancing the IWRM Approach
- SDG 6.6 Protecting and restoring freshwater ecosystems



# Opportunity: MEDRC



- MEDRC Water Research was established to deal with two of the most pressing global and regional grand challenges; water and peace. It is a unique international organization where ten co-equal partners work together on solutions to fresh water scarcity by supporting research, training, knowledge exchange and capacity building

# Opportunity: Global High Level Panel on Water & Peace

- Global Conservatory for Water and Peace
- Extensive expertise





# Opportunity: CERN

# What next?

## For DISCUSSION

- Proper mapping of country expertise
- Thorough mapping of how to make use of existing regional initiatives/institutions
- Projects?

# **Science as a tool for bringing nations together**

**Herwig Schopper  
Former Director General of CERN**

Laws of Science do not respect any borders

- **Science needs and benefits from international cooperation**

This is common practice today (small science)

My main message:

**The Inverse is also true**

- **politics can benefit from science**

Requires large ambitious projects attracting the interest of politicians, the public and best scientists

# 'SCIENCE for PEACE'

Two organisations created under the umbrella of UNESCO:

## CERN

Conceived late 1940s , after WWII with two aims:

- Enable construction of a facility beyond means of individual European countries
- Foster cooperation between peoples recently in conflict



## SESAME in Jordan

Conceived late 1990s with the same aims:

- Members: Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Israel, Jordan, Pakistan, Palestinian Authority, Turkey
- Contribute to peace building in MENA



# Foundation of CERN

Looking back in history it seems easy- it was not!

*Two initiatives in parallel:*

## 1. Physicists:

join European forces to be competitive with US, in particular for large facilities

## 2. Political initiative:

European Movement

European Cultural Conference,

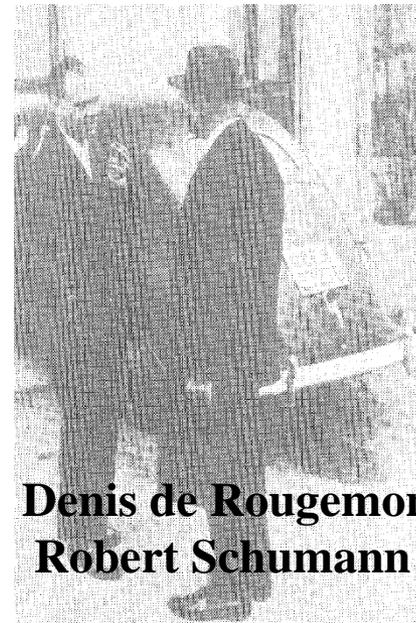
Lausanne 8-12 December 1949

Ministers, senators, member of parliaments, others from 22 countries

first time Germans could attend (C. Schmid)



Auger, Amaldi, Kowarski



Denis de Rougemont,  
Robert Schumann

## The two initiatives united at 5. General Conference of UNESCO in Florence June 1950

### Resolution drafted by Isidor Rabi

7 June 1950 addressed to DG UNESCO

*could be considered as 'conception' of CERN (or real birth??)*



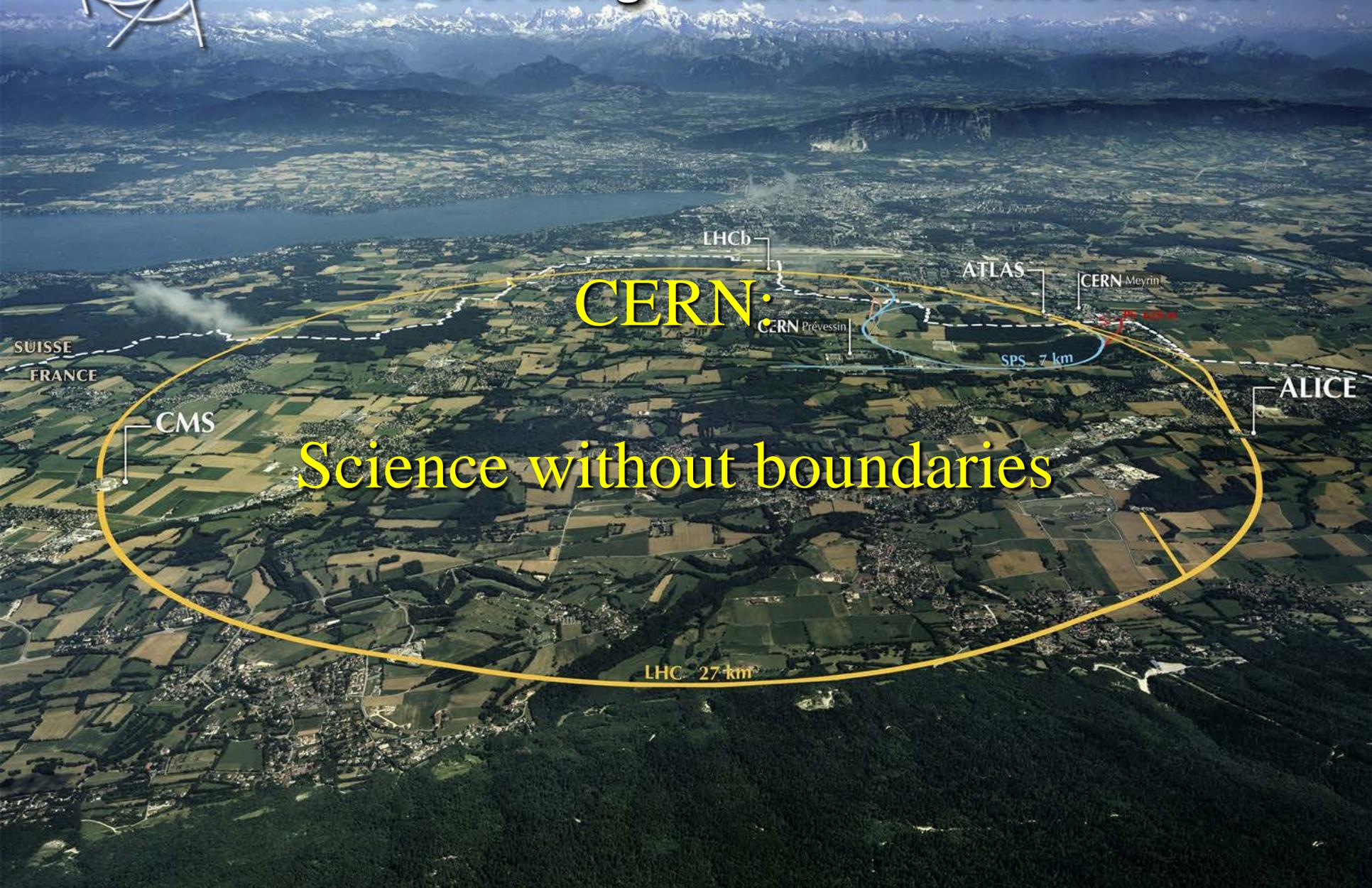
At CERN 30. Anniversary

**Rabi's speech:** CERN peaceful compensation for building bomb

...So at this point I appeal to the personalities present to remember that CERN is not just an instrument for technical progress in high energy physics, but it is **the realization of an ideal which had been part of a civilization for a long time.....**  
and can help preserve the peace of the world.”



# Accelerating Science and Innovation



CERN:

Science without boundaries

SUISSE  
FRANCE

CMS

LHCb

ATLAS

CERN Meyrin

CERN Prévessin

SPS 7 km

ALICE

LHC 27 km

# CERN was founded 1954: 12 European States

“Science for Peace”

## Today: 22 Member States

~ 2300 staff

~ 1050 other paid personnel

~ 11000 users

Budget (2012) ~1000 MCHF

**Member States:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom

**Candidate for Accession:** Romania

**Associate Members in the Pre-Stage to Membership:** Serbia

**Applicant States:** Cyprus (agreement signed), Slovenia, Turkey

**Observers to Council:** India, Japan, the Russian Federation, the United States of America, Turkey, the European Commission and UNESCO

# Science is getting more and more global

## Distribution of All CERN Users by Nationality on 3 September 2012



# Science can help in Confidence building - without any confidence politics is inoperable

## Examples how CERN helped:

CERN-Dubna, CERN- UdSSR:

only scientific **link East-West** during cold war

➤ CERN – IHEP (Soviet Union) agreement in 1968

*only scientific agreement during hot cold war*

**became model for IHEP- Stanford (USA) agreement**

**and later for model for USA- SovieUnion agreement (*Breshnev-Ford*)**

➤ Disarmament meeting at Geneva in 1980ies

**when in deadlock private meeting at CERN unblocked it**

➤ Chinese physicists from PR China and Taiwan

**in same LEP experiment (1980ies)**

➤ **Help dissidents (e.g. Orlov)**

➤ **SESAME founded according to CERN's example:**

**Israel -Palestine – Iran, Cyprus – Turkey**

**CERN has brought people together**

by discussions, considerations, **conflicts**, compromises  
and **finally decisions**

**All are being heard, even the weakest**  
**Competence is essential**

**Not only scientists but also**  
**administrators and politicians involved**

In Council each country has two delegates:  
one **government official** and one **scientists**  
*(formal close relations between*  
*scientists – government representatives)*

**Pragmatism and definite will**  
**to achieve a concrete goal prevailed**

# **CERN has its task splendidly achieved in Europe**

**CERN became model for other  
organisations**

***JINR, ESO, EMBL, Now CERN is  
a model for international  
cooperation  
on world scale  
SESAME***



# SESAME

**S**ynchrotronlight for  
**E**xperimental  
**S**cience and  
**A**pplication in the  
**M**iddle  
**E**ast

*An International Center for Research and Advanced Technology and Training for the Middle East and the Mediterranean Basin*

*Founded under the auspices of UNESCO according to CERN model*

*The first international organization in Muslim countries*

# A short history of SESAME

**1997:** during a workshop for Middle East Scientific Cooperation organised by S.Fubini (theoretical physicist) of CERN proposal by H.Winick and G.-A.Voss to use components of BESSY I (to be closed down) at Berlin

S.Fubini asks H.Schopper (retired as Director-General of CERN) to take care

Suggestion to F.Mayor, DG UNESCO, to repeat CERN story

**June 1999:** F.Mayor, DG UNESCO, invites all governments of the region to a meeting at Paris

**Positive decision taken,  
Interim Council created**

**with 12 members and 6 Observers (H.Schopper, President)**

# Formal establishment of SESAME by UNESCO as autonomous international laboratory

**UNESCO General Assembly** (about 180 countries)

**October 2001**

- asks Director General, K.Matsuura, to elaborate feasibility study and propose Statutes
- authorises **Executive Committee** to decide definitely (to save time)

**Mai 2002: unanimous Authorisation by Executive Committee**  
(about 50 countries) (including approval of Statutes)

**Procedure takes normally more than 4 years!!**

**”...model project for other regions....**

**Quintessential UNESCO project combining capacity building  
with vital peace-building through science.”**

# SESAME is intergovernmental organization

## Members of SESAME

- BAHRAIN
- CYPRUS
- EGYPT
- IRAN
- ISRAEL
- JORDAN
- PAKISTAN
- PALESTINIAN  
AUTHORITY
- TURKEY

## Observers

France  
Germany  
Greece  
Italy  
Japan\*  
Kuwait  
Portugal  
Russia  
Sweden  
UK  
USA

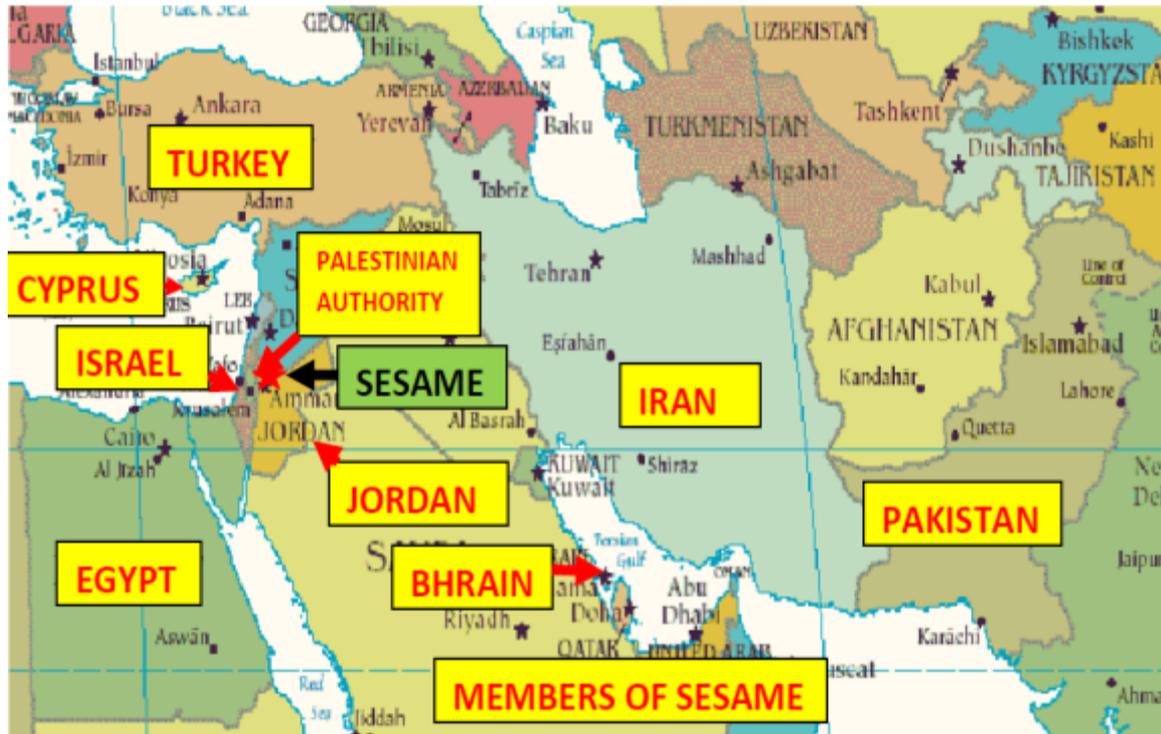
## Governing Body Council

Each Member one vote

SESAME Statutes are  
'copy' of CERN Convention

Open for other countries, all are welcome

# SESAME's Members in 2016



**Observers:** Brazil, China, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Portugal, Russian Federation, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, USA

**Iraq has asked for Membership,  
other countries are welcome**

# Declaration

**accepted by the Plenary Meeting of the Nobel Laureates  
at the PETRA IV on 19 June 2008**

We, the undersigned Nobel Laureates, commend the remarkable progress made in creating the SESAME Synchrotron Light Source. It will provide a major center for scientific research, with the ownership shared by many nations of the Middle East. Thereby, SESAME, **as well as producing educational and economic benefits, will serve as a beacon, demonstrating how shared scientific initiatives can help light the way towards peace.**



**Location decided after difficult negotiations  
by secret vote of Interim Council**

**(proposals from 7 countries): Jordan**

## **Conditions:**

- *all scientists from the world get access*
- *Site and building financed by host state*
- *Strong support by authorities*

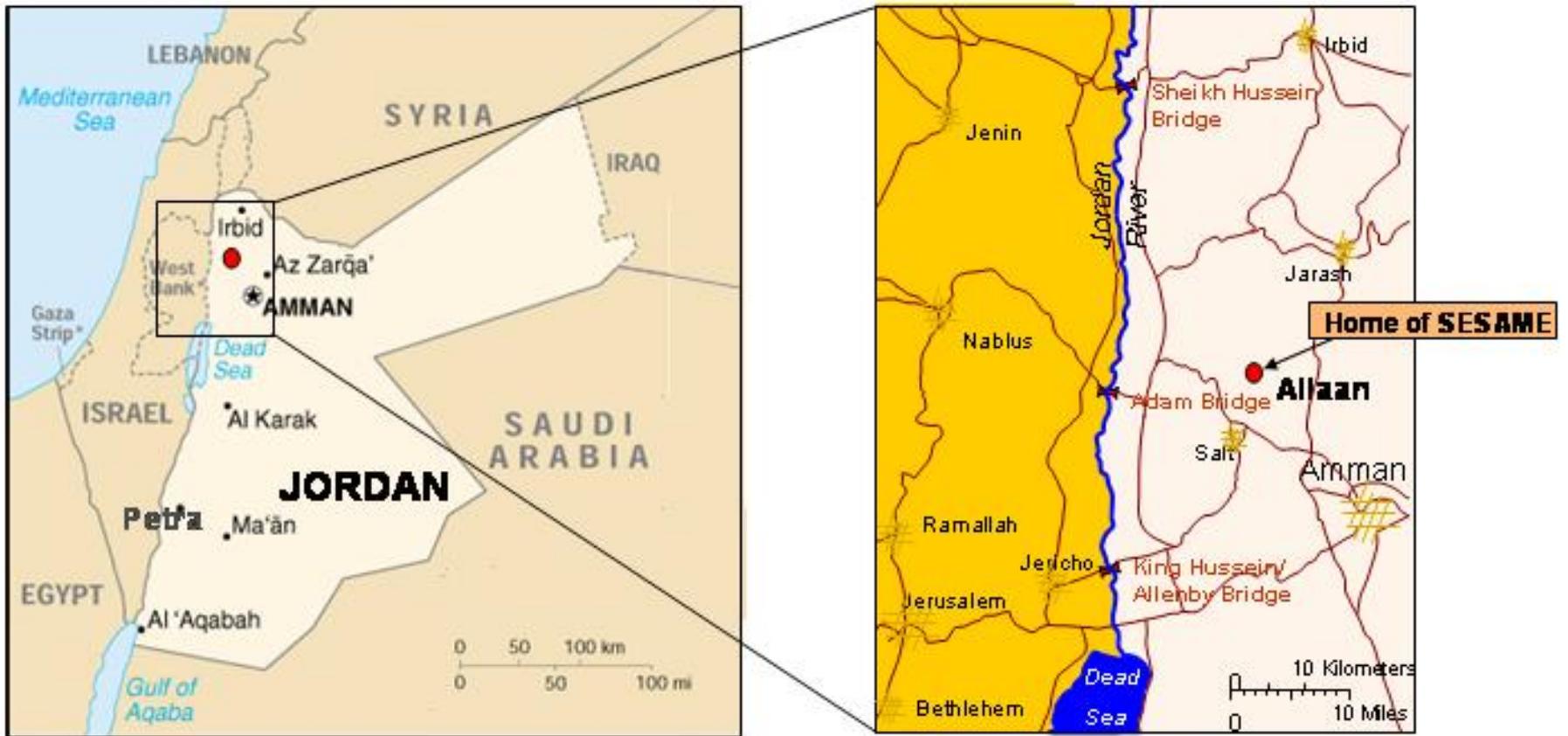
**Host country has special obligations**

**(Host State agreement,  
privileges immunity, tax free, etc, like CERN)**

**Strong support by H.M. King Abdullah II**



**H.Schopper, UNESCO-ADG Iaccarino, H.M. Abdullah, Prince Ghazi**



## SESAME location in Allaan, Jordan

# Groundbreaking SESAME Building January 2003



**UNESCO DG Matsuura and H.M.King Abdullah II unveiling marble plate,**



## Completion of building 2008

H.Schopper, International Parliamentary Union 2016



First users‘meeting, January 2003 at Amman  
Financed mainly by Japan



SESAME 2. Users meeting, Isfahan, October 2003

## SESAME Inauguration 16 May 2017

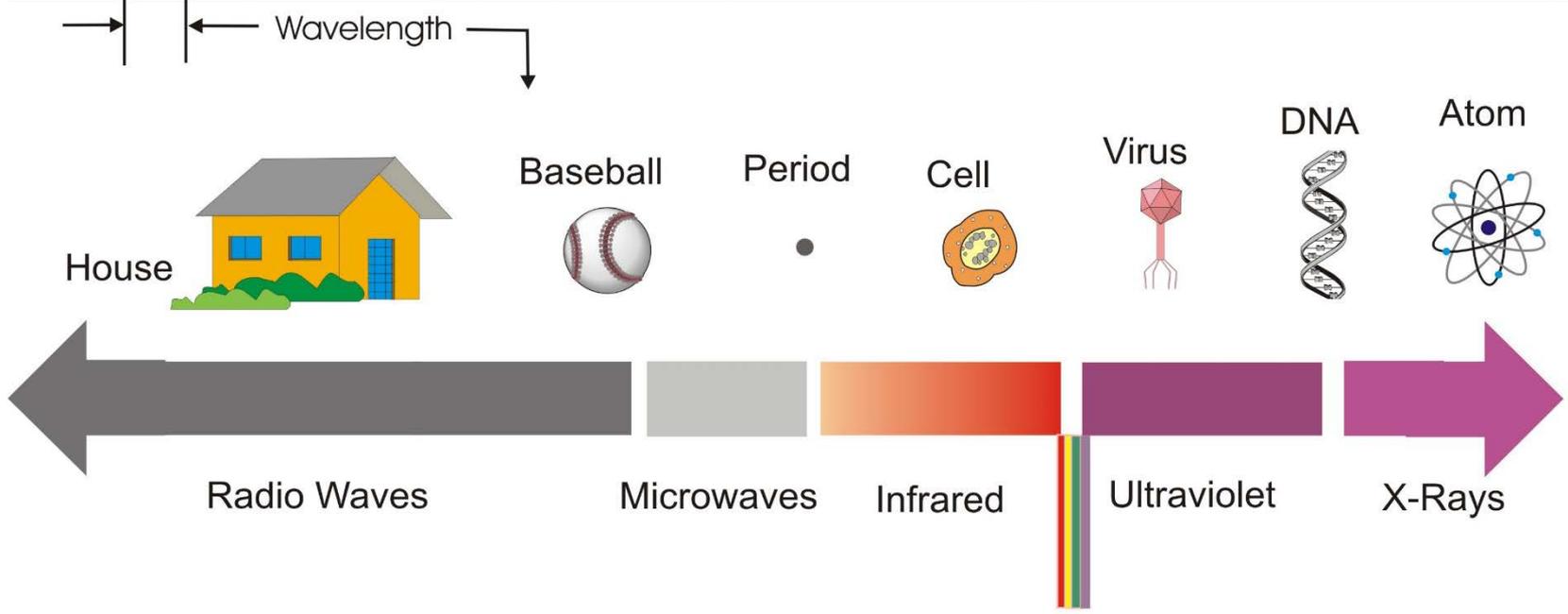


King Abdullah II with Heads of Delegations

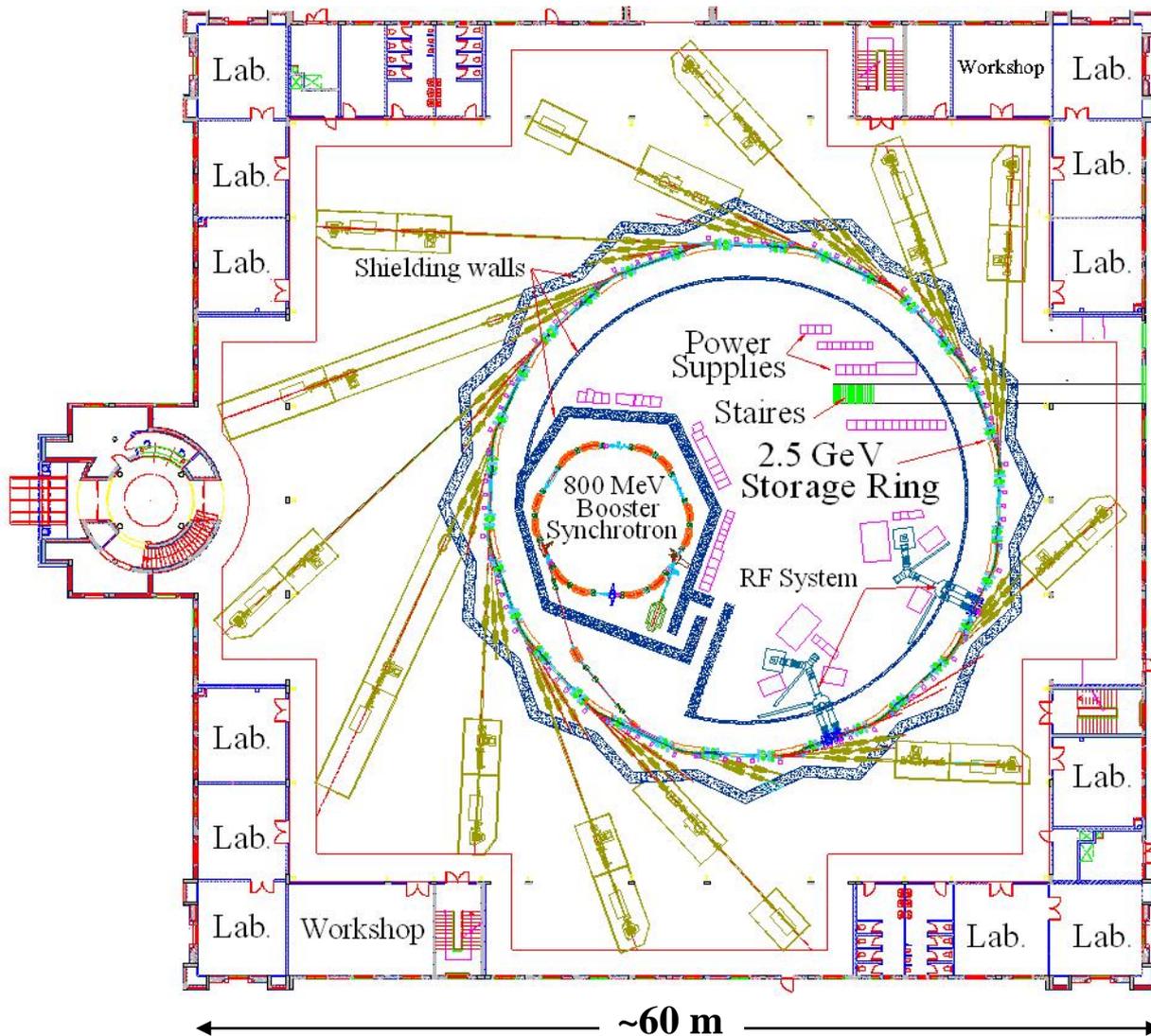
# What is the **SESAME** Facility ?

- **Extremely strong light source (synchrotron radiation, 3. generation)**
- **A synchrotron produces intense light from the infrared region to X-rays.**
- **Apart from high intensities, light has special properties (very short pulses, polarized)**
- **Individual beams for specific research domains**

# Electromagnetic Radiation - How It Relates to the World We Know



**Synchrotron radiation is used for experiments typically over this region**

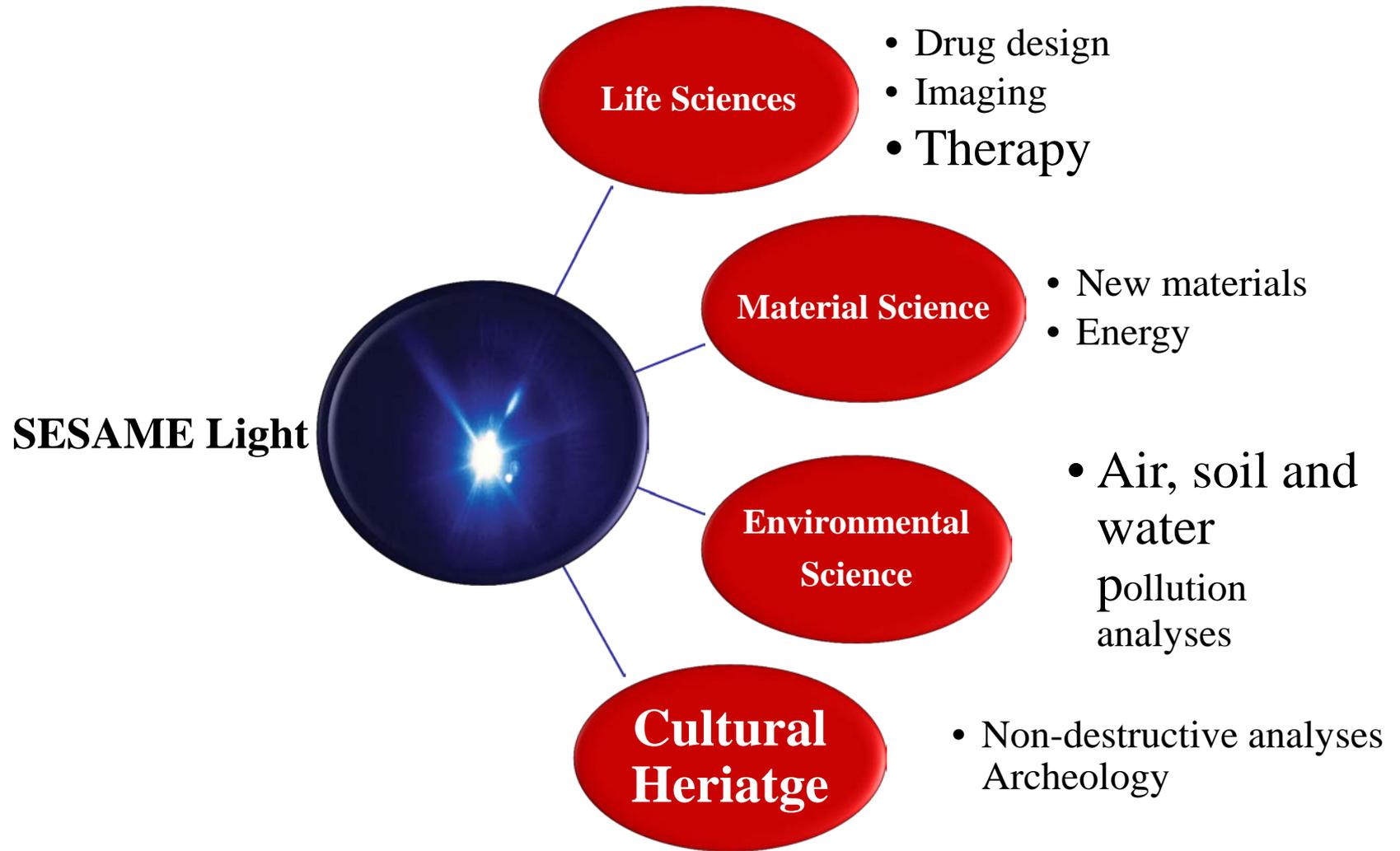


Energy	2.5 GeV
Current	400 mA
Circumference	128.4m
Emittance (horiz)	26.4 nm-rad
Possible IDs	13
ID Length	2.75 m

e <sup>-</sup> Beam Size in Straight Sections	
$\sigma_x/\sigma_y$	700 $\mu$ m/35 $\mu$ m
Critical Energy	5.9 KeV
e <sup>-</sup> Energy Spread	0.1%
Bending Mag. Field	1.425 T

**Parameters: 2.5 GeV ring with 13 possible insertion device beam lines. Beam lines can also come from the 16 bend magnets.**

# SESAME's SCIENCE



## **Material Science/Physics/Chemistry**

**Glasses  
Polymers**

**Ceramics  
Thin Films**

**Magnetic Materials  
Superconductors**

## **Biological & Medical Sciences**

**Pathogen structure**

**Genetic diversity; plants and microorganisms**

**Metalloenzymes and Metalloproteinases**

**Biosensors**

## **Industrial Applications**

**Polymer characterisation**

**Synthesis and characterisation of novel materials**

**Chemical analysis**

**Screening for drug design**

## **Environmental Science**

**Clay minerals**

**Mineral analysis of rocks**

**Soil contaminants**

**Applications in agriculture and bioremediation**

## **Archaeology**

# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF SESAME

## Permanent Council

*Delegates of member countries and UNESCO*

Each one vote

## Directorate

*Director: K. Toukan (former Minister)*

*Technical Director: E. Huttel (German)*

*Scientific Director: G. Paolucci, (Italian)*

*Administrative Director: Y. Khalil (Egyptian)*

## International Advisory Committees

*Scientific: Z.Sayers (Turkey)*

*Beamlines: Z.Hussain (USA)*

*Training: R.Mansouri (Iran)*

*Technical: A.Wrulich (Switzerland)*

## Staff:

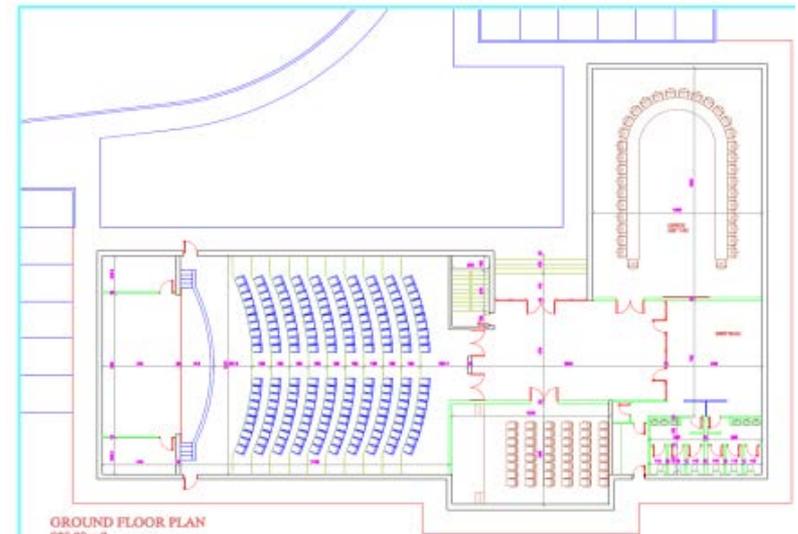
about 40,  
to increase  
to 60

# The future

SESAME is planning to build a guest house, for users

This will be followed by a Conference Centre

SESAME will be able to house meetings on other topics (food, **water**, archaeology, ...) in secure/easily accessible surroundings



**Dream: SESAME will become international meeting place**

# *Remark*

**A new project following the CERN-Model  
is presently being discussed for the Balkan**

**a “SESAME 2”**

**Coordination government of Montenegro**

# Conclusion

Cooperation in **large scientific projects** requires **scientific, administrative and political** efforts on “lower level” which irradiate into different and **even highest political levels.**

In times when relations between some nations are often characterised by **hatred and violence** it is gratifying that organisations like CERN and SESAME bring together politicians and scientists to work peacefully together

**Small light in dark times**

**Thank you**

# National Science Policy

- ❖ **Priority is given to short-term national problems**  
(infrastructure, roads, water)  
mercantile mentality prevails, promote activities with short return (tourisms)
- ❖ **Funding of R&D is completely unsatisfactory,**  
is necessary for long-term development (unemployment),  
*should spend a very small amount of available funds  
for long term development*
- ❖ **Learn how to establish priorities** and introduce evaluation.  
mechanisms for decision taking and priority setting are missing
- ❖ **Lack of cooperation inside individual countries**  
*encourage establishment of national networks*

# International Cooperation

- **little experience in international scientific collaboration**

**countries think in terms of national or at best bilateral projects**

(e.g. with international organisations EU, IAEA, UNESCO, TWAS )

*convince leaders and scientists that excellence can only be achieved  
in international cooperation*

- **lack of experience in management of international cooperation**

*Teach administrators how to deal with international bureaucracy*

- **Declaration of intention replaces sometimes real actions**

- **Political problems often only pretext to cover other issues**

*Discourage the latter attitude, use scientific cooperation for building trust*

*“Science for Peace”*

# The role of parliaments and parliamentarians in the implementation of SDG 6

2<sup>nd</sup> Middle East Roundtable on Water  
From Words to Actions

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Geneva – 6-7<sup>th</sup> July 2017



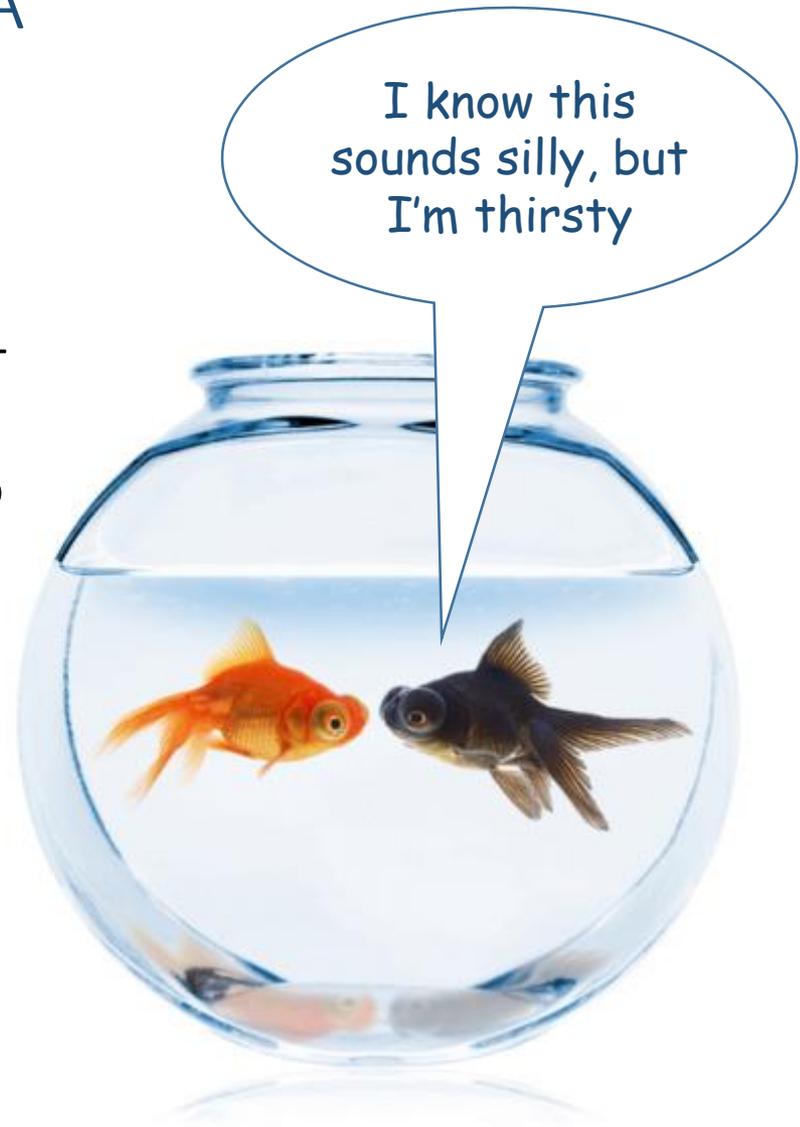
Inter-Parliamentary Union  
For democracy. For everyone.





# AGENDA

1. WaterLex and IPU
2. Global Risk and the Reality in Middle-East
3. Development of the Human Rights to Water and Sanitation and SDGs
4. The role of Parliaments in SDG Implementation
5. Baseline Analysis
6. Progressive Realisation
7. Programme of Action





# WATERLEX

Our Vision is a world where there is **sustainable use and access to safe water and sanitation for all**

Our Mission is to secure the **human rights to water and sanitation through law and policy reform**

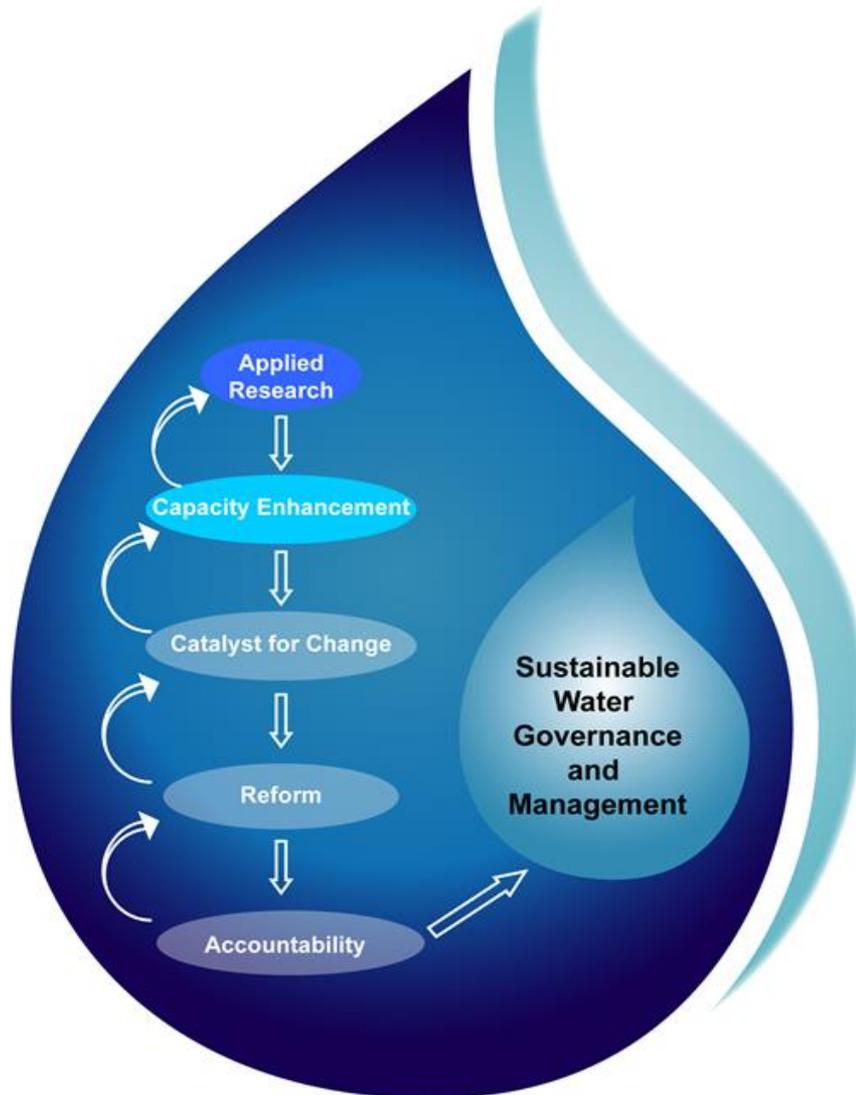




# WATERLEX SUPPORTING WORK AT IPU



Inter-Parliamentary Union  
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## Advice and legal thinking

- 2015 IPU Resolution
- ✓ *“Shaping A New System Of Water Governance: Promoting Parliamentary Action On Water And Sanitation”*

## Water Dialogues

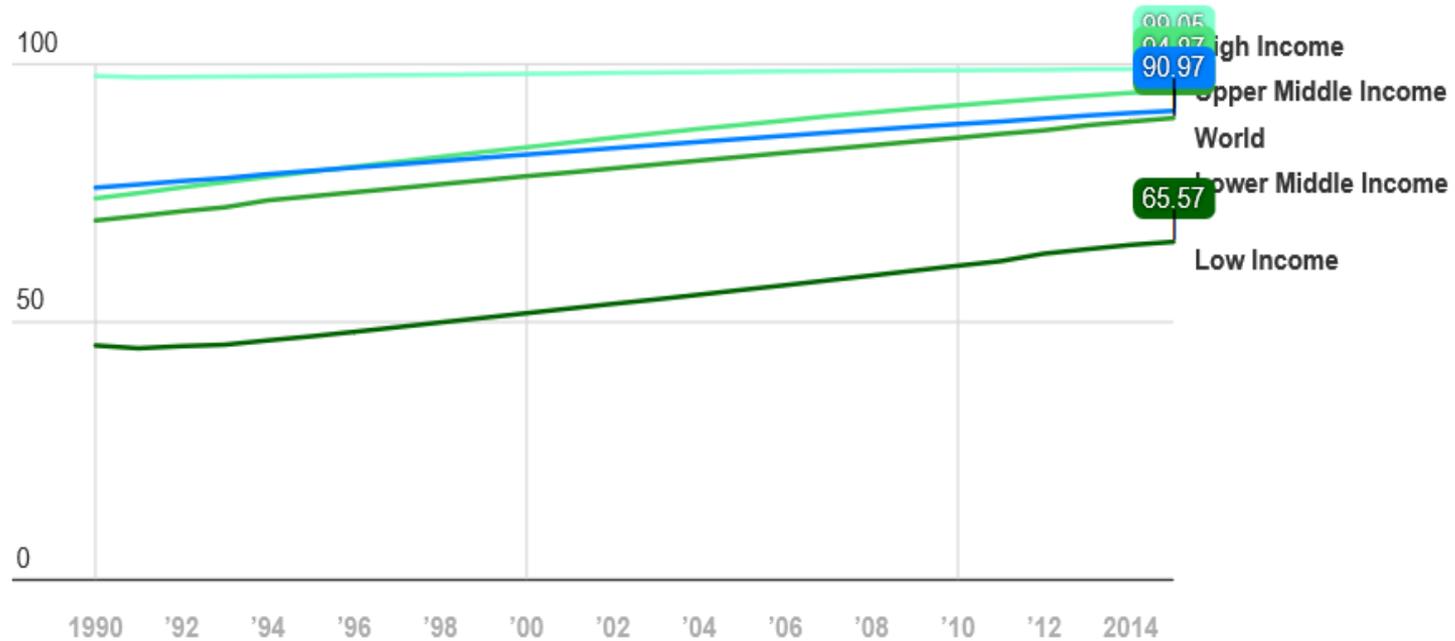
- Middle East Roundtable on Water 2016
- ✓ Strategic Advice
- ✓ Technical ideas/methodology



# ACCESS TO WATER

A third of people in low-income countries struggle to access clean water.

Share of population with access to an improved source of drinking water (%)



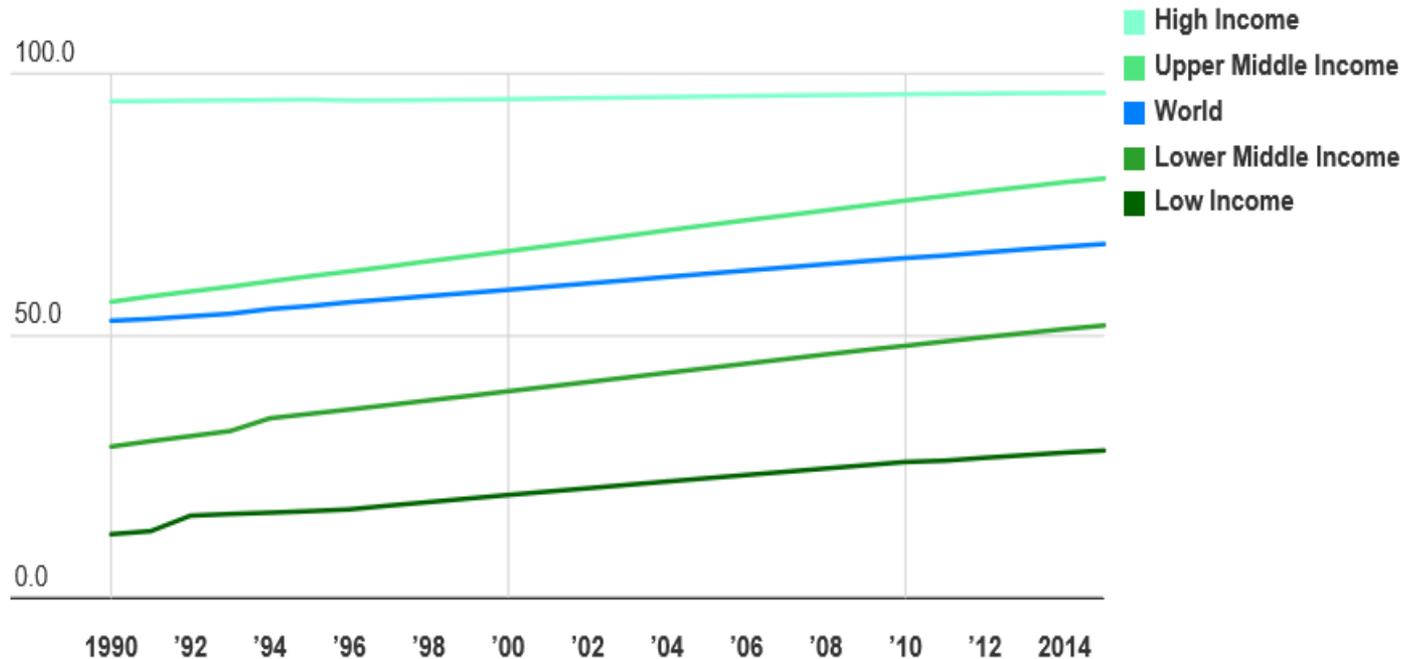
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# ACCESS TO IMPROVED SANITATION

Nearly a third of world's population does not have access to improved sanitation facilities

Share of population with access to improved sanitation facilities (%)

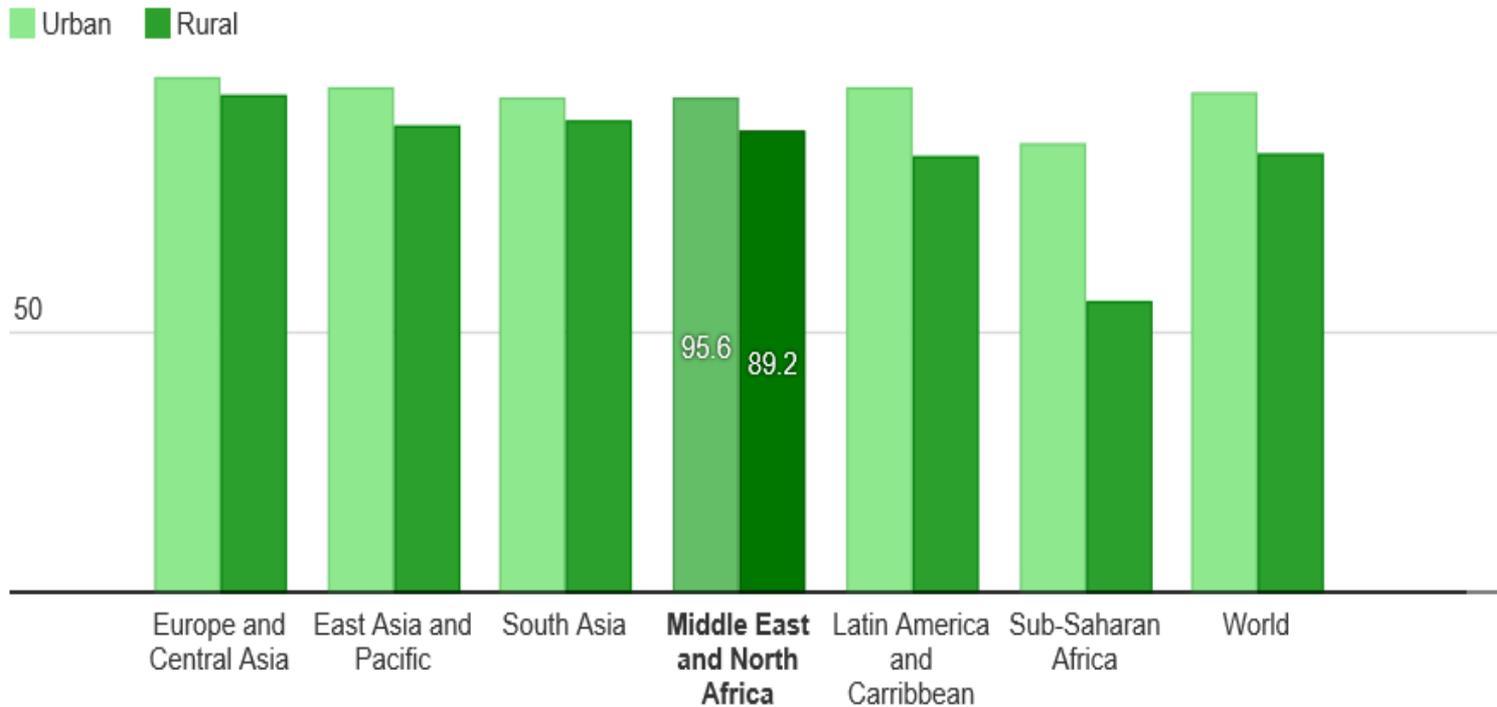


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# MIDDLE-EAST AND NORTH AFRICA NOT ALONE IN RURAL-URBAN DISCREPANCY

Share of population with access to an improved source of water, 2015 (%)



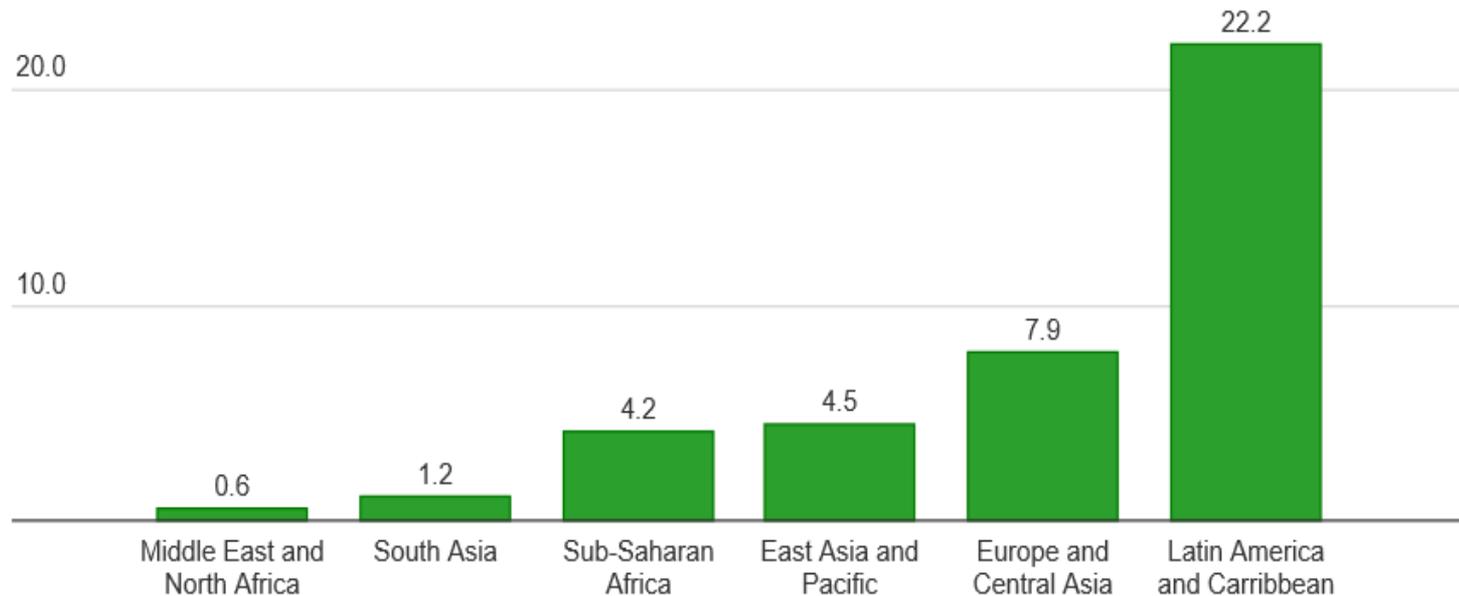
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# WATER STRESS ADDS TO THE PROBLEM

Middle East and North Africa and South Asia are the most water-stressed regions.

Renewable internal freshwater resources per capita, 2014 (thousands of cubic meters)



Water stress occurs below 1,700 cubic meters per capita per year

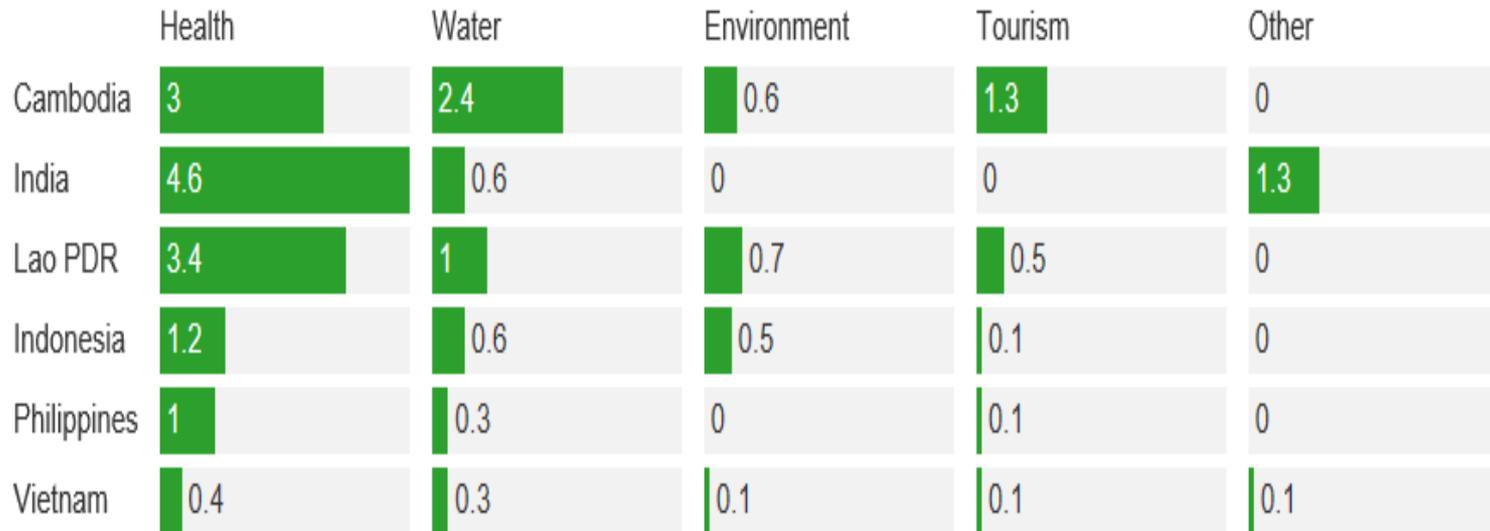
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# HOW IMPROVED SANITATION CAN HELP ECONOMY

## Many sectors can be affected by inadequate sanitation

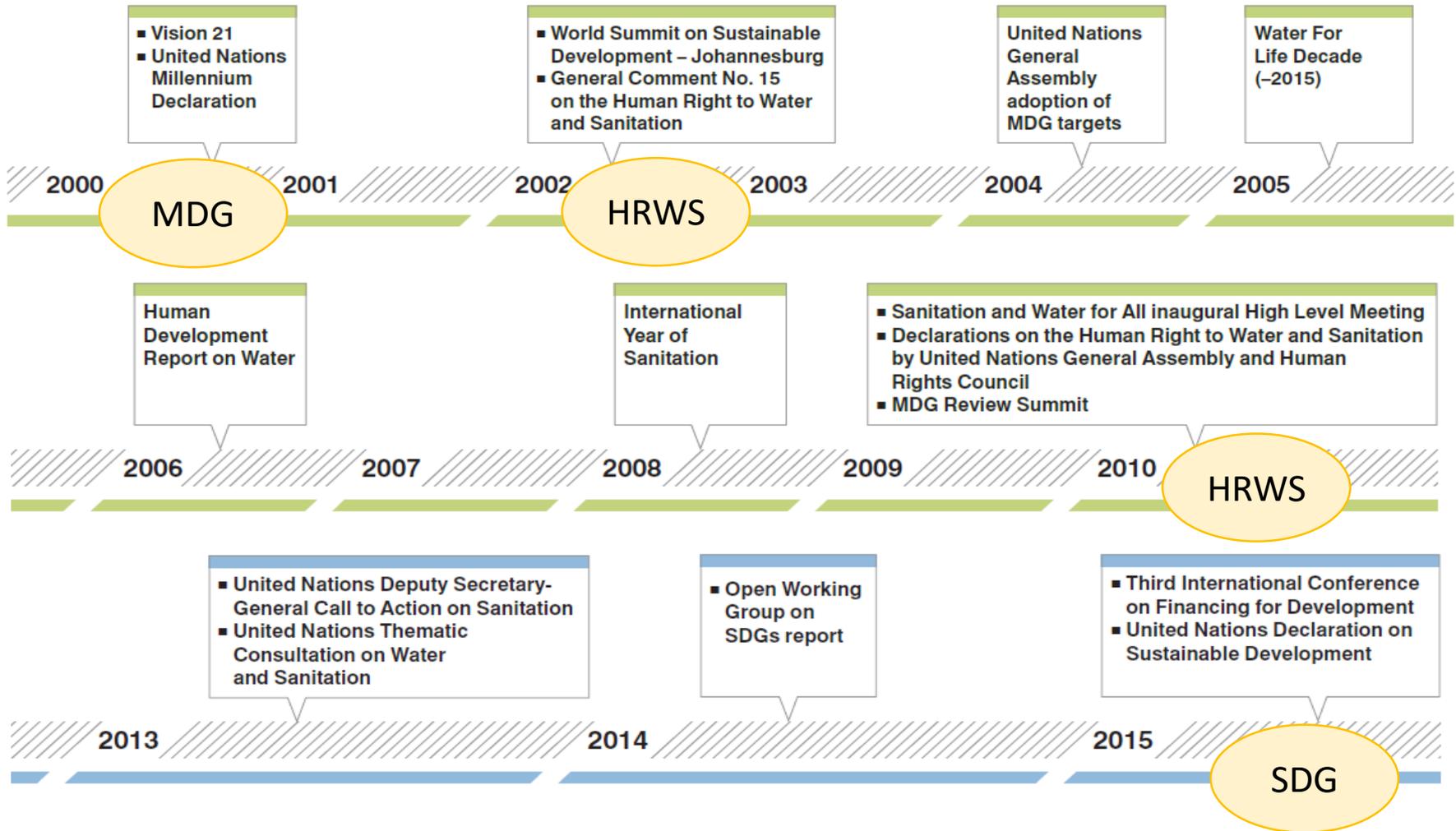
Percent of GDP lost by sectors through inadequate sanitation



Source: [World Bank](#)



# FROM MDGs TO SDGs





# WATER AND SANITATION AS HUMAN RIGHTS

Access to:

SAFE

AFFORDABLE

ACCESSIBLE

AVAILABLE

ACCEPTABLE

- ✓ Recognition by the United Nations General Assembly in 2010
- ✓ Progressive realisation: achieve universal coverage over time
- ✓ Legal obligations of States to respect, protect and fulfil human rights



...Water and Sanitation is a **Human Right**



# WATER IN THE AGENDA 2030



## Linkages between the rights to water and sanitation and the SDGs

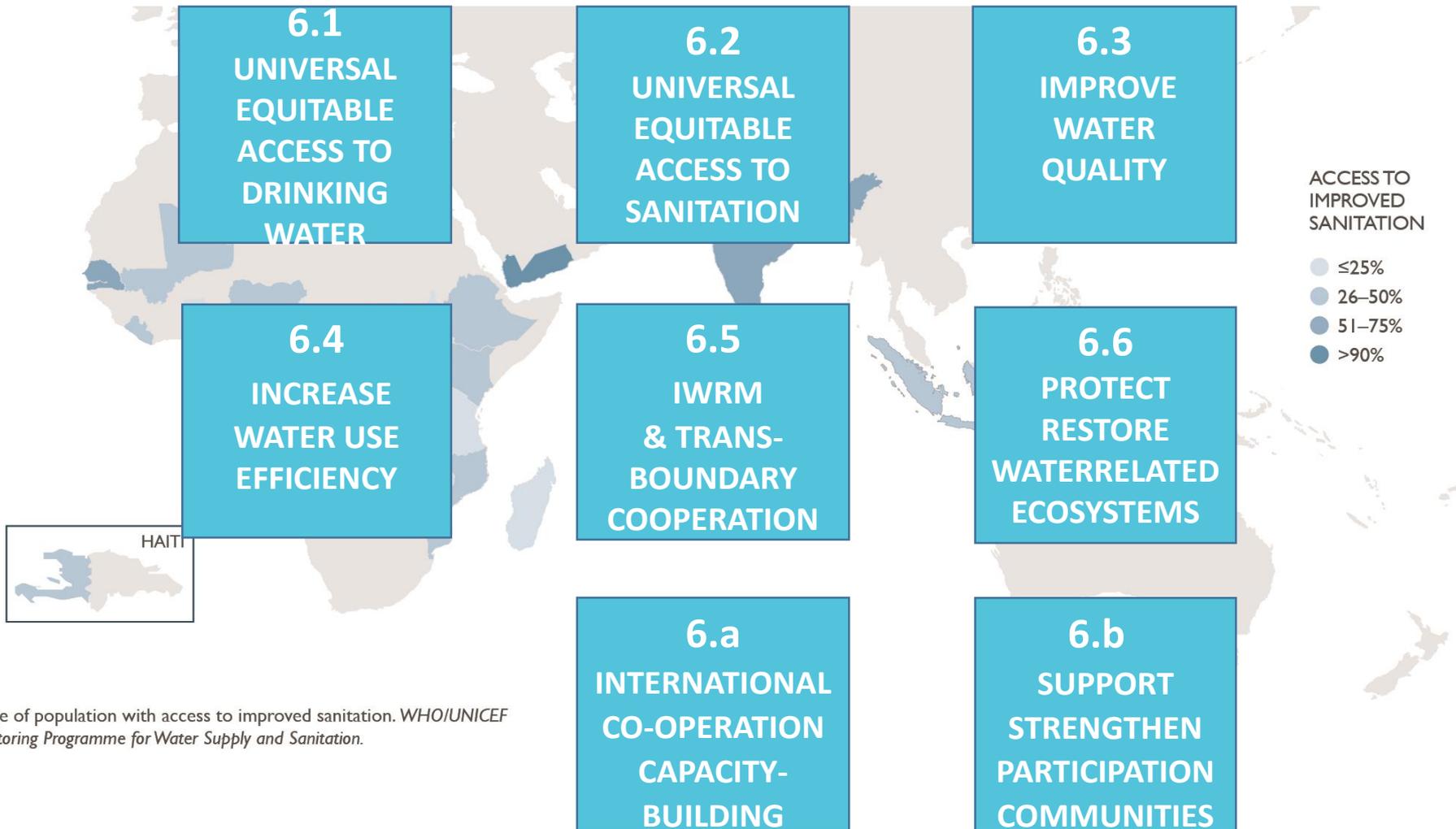
- ✓ SDGs are grounded in a human rights framework
- ✓ “Leave no one behind”: **Non-discrimination**
- ✓ Renewed commitment to implement the human rights to water and sanitation
- ✓ SDG 6.1 and 2: Universal access

**Target 6.1** “By 2030, achieve **universal** and **equitable** access to **safe** and **affordable** drinking water for **all**”





# WATER & SANITATION GOAL 6 SUB-TARGETS



Percentage of population with access to improved sanitation. WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme for Water Supply and Sanitation.



# ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS in SDG AGENDA

Human Rights, transparency, efficient governance, inclusiveness, non-discrimination

Achieved through:

Ambitious  
legislation to  
implement SDG 6

Budget for SDG6  
implementation

Accountability for  
SDG 6  
commitments of  
the government

Monitoring

Ensuring policy  
and institutional  
coherence  
among sectors

Fostering multi-  
stakeholder  
collaboration

Mobilization of  
finance, capacity  
building, transfer  
of technology



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□ Annual Parliamentary Hearing, UN HQ, Nov'2014

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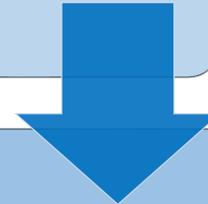




# SDG 6: START WITH BASELINE ANALYSIS

## DESKTOP RESEARCH:

- Establish baseline
- Legal and policy research



## FIELD TESTING:

- Understand:
- Based on desktop research
  - Situational analysis (incl. marginalised)
  - Baseline of compliance



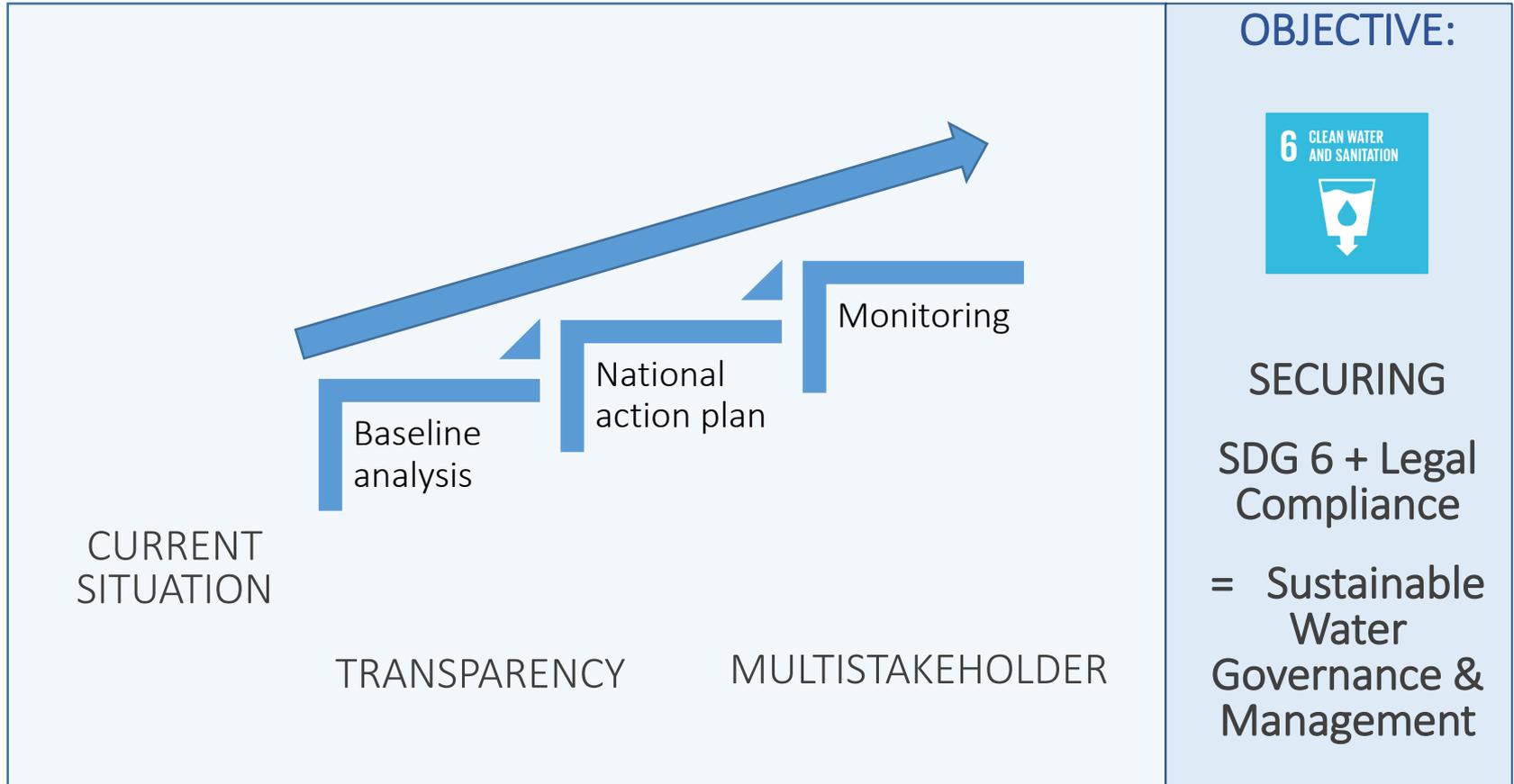
## SDG 6 IMPLEMENTATION RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Identify:
- Good practice/ areas for improvement
  - National indicators/monitoring
  - Technical solutions



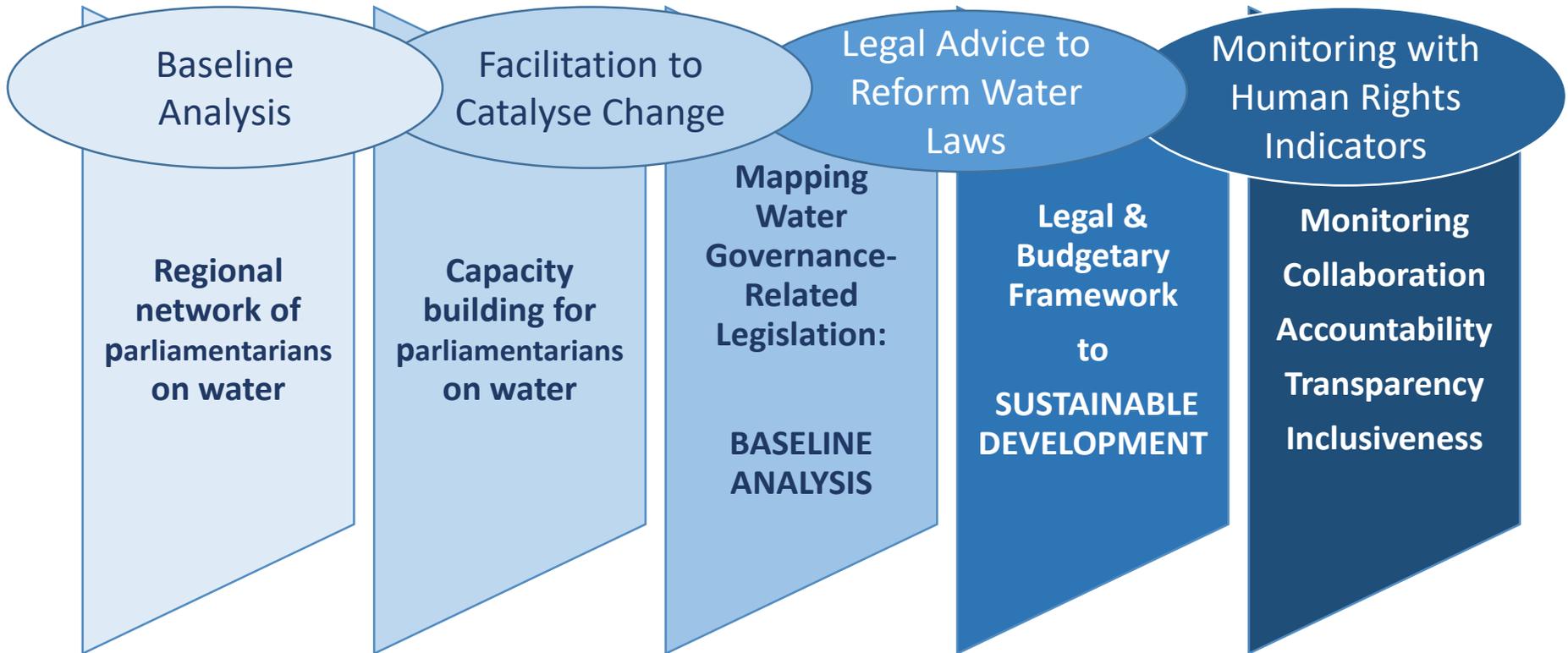


# PROGRESSIVE REALISATION OF SDG 6





# PROGRAMME OF ACTION



**PROCESS** → **RECOMMENDATIONS** → **PRINCIPLES**

Human Rights-Based Roadmaps



“Acting now is a matter of human dignity, justice and survival. Waiting to act is no longer an option”

Quote, Budapest Water Summit, 2016





# PNoW

## (Parliamentary Network on Water)

### Objectives, Working Modalities and Next Steps

2<sup>nd</sup> Middle East Roundtable on Water  
From Words to Actions

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Geneva – 6-7<sup>th</sup> July 2017



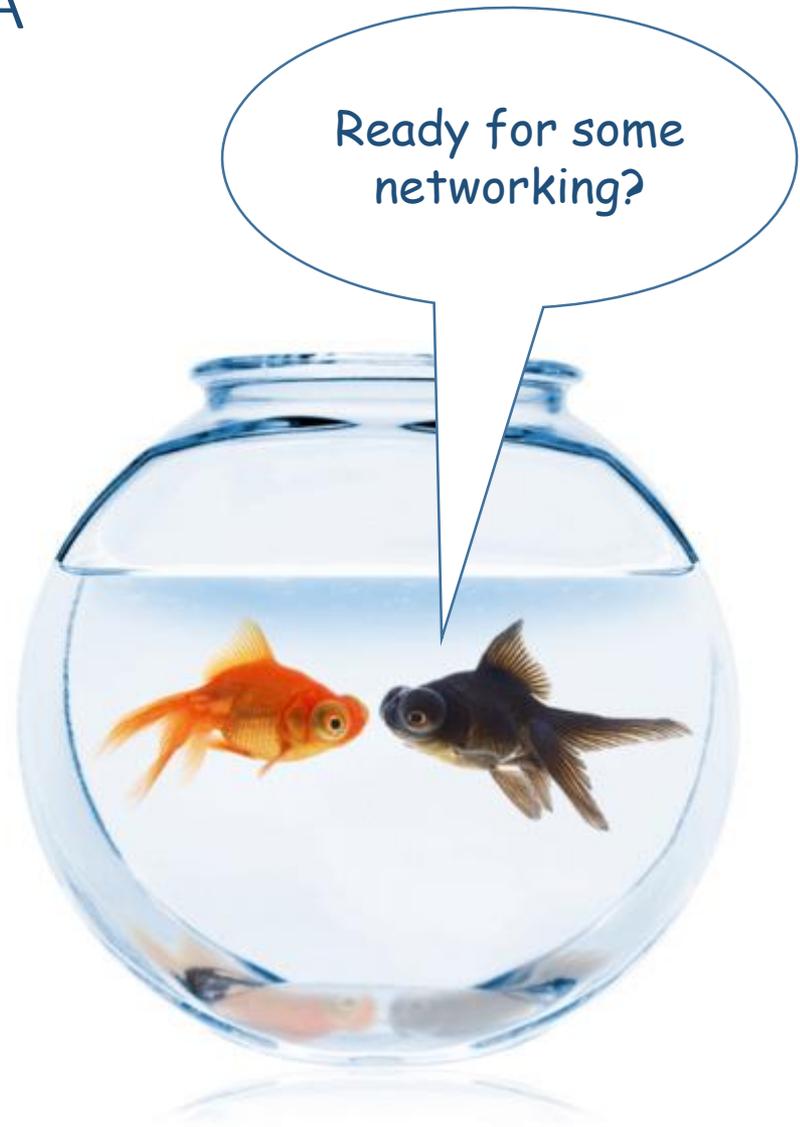
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# AGENDA

1. Objectives for the PNoW
2. Role of PNoW
3. Programme of Action
4. Next Steps





# OBJECTIVES

- Improve water governance in the Middle East through cooperation between States on SDG6 implementation

PNoW:





# ROLE OF PNOW IN SDG 6 IMPLEMENTATION



## SHARE INFORMATION

- Existing data
- 2 pilot countries in depth
- Technology solutions



## ANALYSE

- Pilots as guide to good practice
- National situations
- Possibilities for co-operation



## LEARN

- Regional guidelines for:
  - Law reform
  - Indicator monitoring
  - Data sharing





# PROGRAMME OF ACTION

## Programme for SDG 6 Implementation in Middle East Region

Timetable		PHASE 1					PHASE 2			
		2017	2018				2019			
Programme	Activities	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
1 ME Roundtable on Water	Steering role				3rd Roundtable				4th Roundtable	
	Receives feedback from PNOW									
2 PNOW	Parliamentary Network on Water			PNOW, GA				PNOW, GA		
	Knowledge sharing meetings									
3 Capacity Building	Research preparation for workshop	Workshop prep								
4 Pilot country 1	Research: water laws/policies	Baseline Pilot 1								
	Stakeholder engagement		Field Research							
	Develop National Action Plan					National Action Plan				
5 Pilot country 2	Research: water laws/policies	Baseline Pilot 2								
	Stakeholder engagement		Field Research							
	Develop National Action Plan					National Action Plan				
6 Science and innovation	Technology sharing through PNOW			Technology sharing						
	Governance private sector solutions			Design enabling governance						
7 Public awareness	Develop targeted brochures/guides							Communication material		
	Translation									



# 1. MIDDLE EAST ROUNDTABLE ON WATER

- **Steering Role** over PNoW International Secretariat
- **Decisions** on budget, Programme of Action, Strategic Direction
- Receives feedback and recommendations from PNoW
- **Presents results** to IPU GA
- **Recommendations** for using this model in other regions

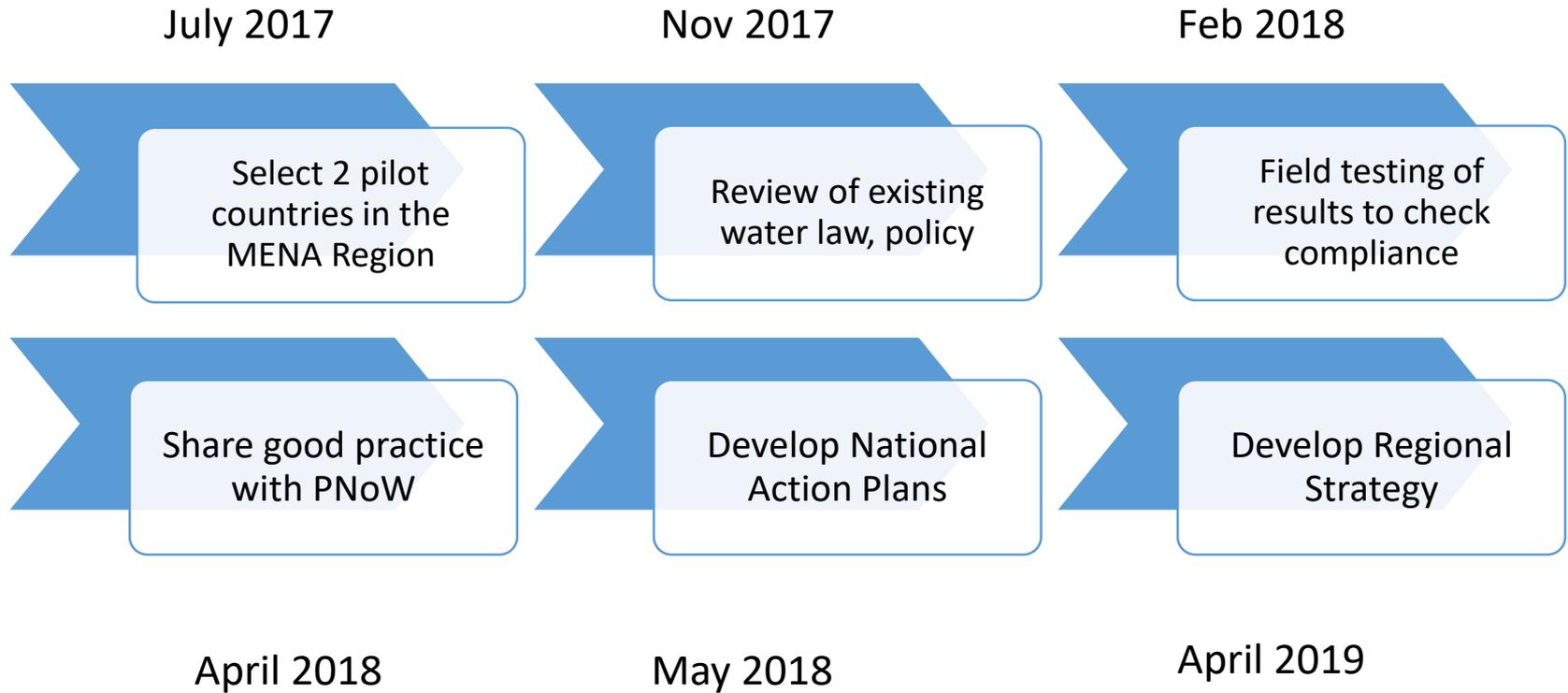


## 2. PNOW – NETWORK OF PARLIAMENTARIANS ON WATER

- **Middle East Region** fully represented by parliamentary delegations
- **Platform for sharing** of information with respect to implementation of SDG 6
- **Regional Experts** on water
- **Information sharing/learning:**
  - Results of pilot country mapping demonstrating good practice
  - How to extrapolate this information regionally into processes for:
    - Regional indicators to track SDG 6 progress
    - Monitoring solutions: technology, data sharing, strategies
- **Identify technology solutions** to fill some of the gaps in good governance
- **Create enabling governance** framework to support sustainable management

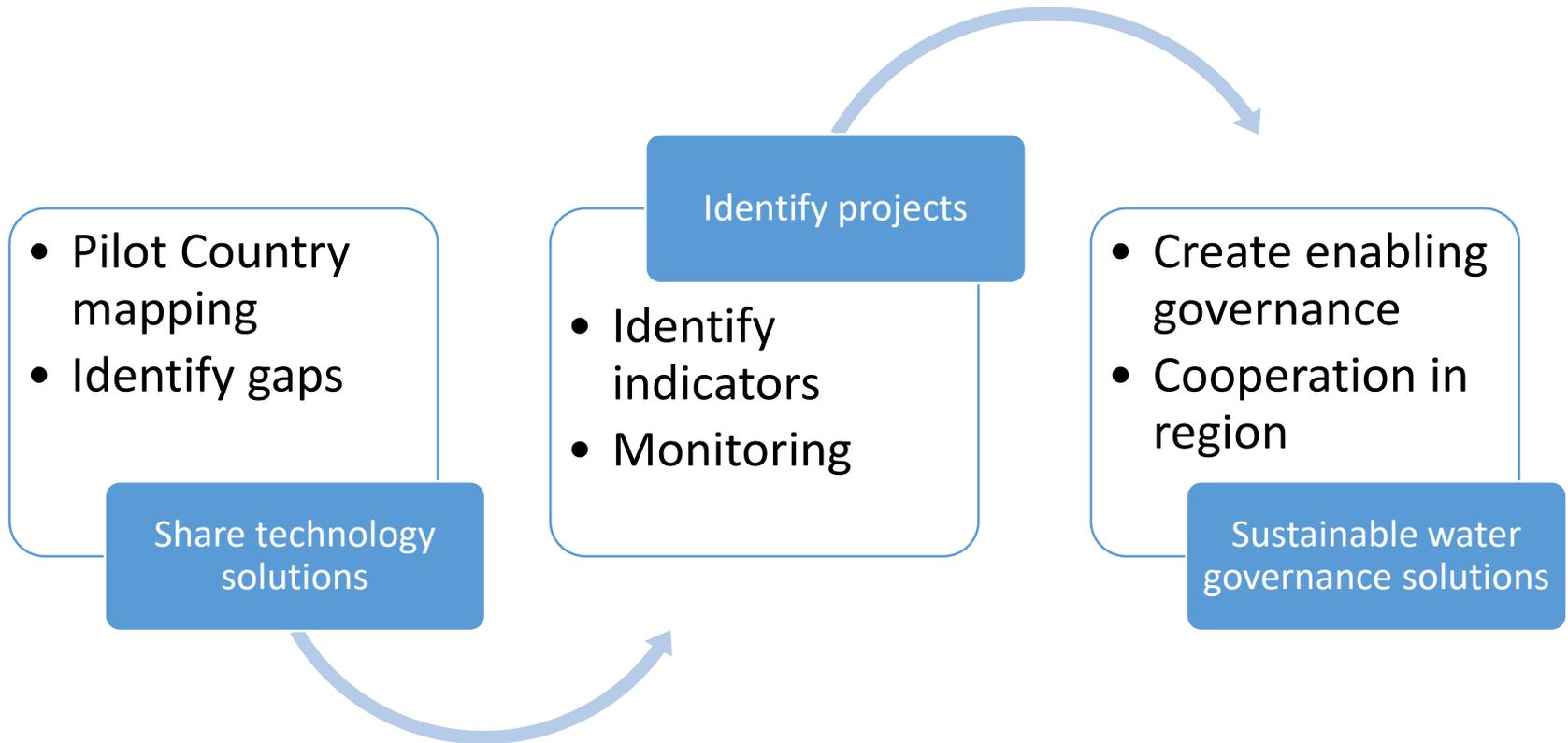


### 3. PILOT COUNTRY MAPPING AND SDG 6





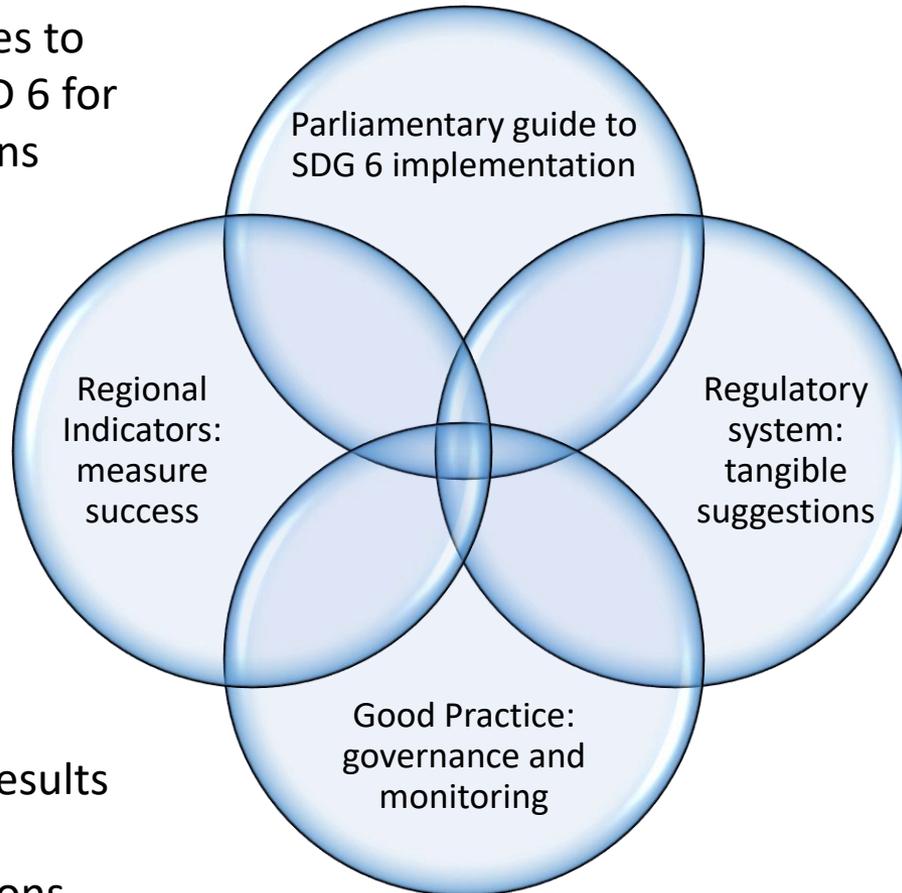
## 4. SCIENCE AND INNOVATION





## 5. COMMUNICATION MATERIALS

“How-to” guides to implement SGD 6 for parliamentarians



Created from results of PNoW recommendations



## NEXT STEPS

- |           |   |
|-----------|---|
| JULY '17  | Choose pilot countries  |
| OCT       | Present at St Petersburg GA for adoption  |
| NOV       | Set up International Secretariat (IS) for management of the PNoW (IPU plus WaterLex), based in Geneva initially |
| NOV       | Research on pilot countries to start Q4'17  |
| DEC       | Select participants of PNoW for each country  |
| APRIL '18 | First PNoW proposed at IPU GA   |

### AGENDA

- Capacity building on SDG 6
- Review of pilot country mapping and learnings
- Technology ideas for solutions



## OBJECTIVE:

**6** CLEAN WATER  
AND SANITATION



## SECURING

**SDG 6 + Legal  
Compliance**

**= Sustainable  
Water  
Governance and  
Management**

“Be a global citizen. Act with passion and compassion. Help us make this world safer and more sustainable today and for the generations that will follow us. That is our moral responsibility.”

Quote, Ban Ki Moon, about the SDGs



Committee on Middle East Questions  
Second Roundtable on Water: From words to actions  
6 - 7 July 2017 IPU Headquarters Geneva, Switzerland

# The Country Mapping Approach

## Case Studies and Pilot Countries

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## Current Situation

MENA region - most water scarce region in the world - average of 656 m<sup>3</sup> of renewable freshwater per capita...



- ❑ Most water scarce region
- ❑ Lowest productivity of water in the world.
- ❑ Among the lowest water tariffs in the world.

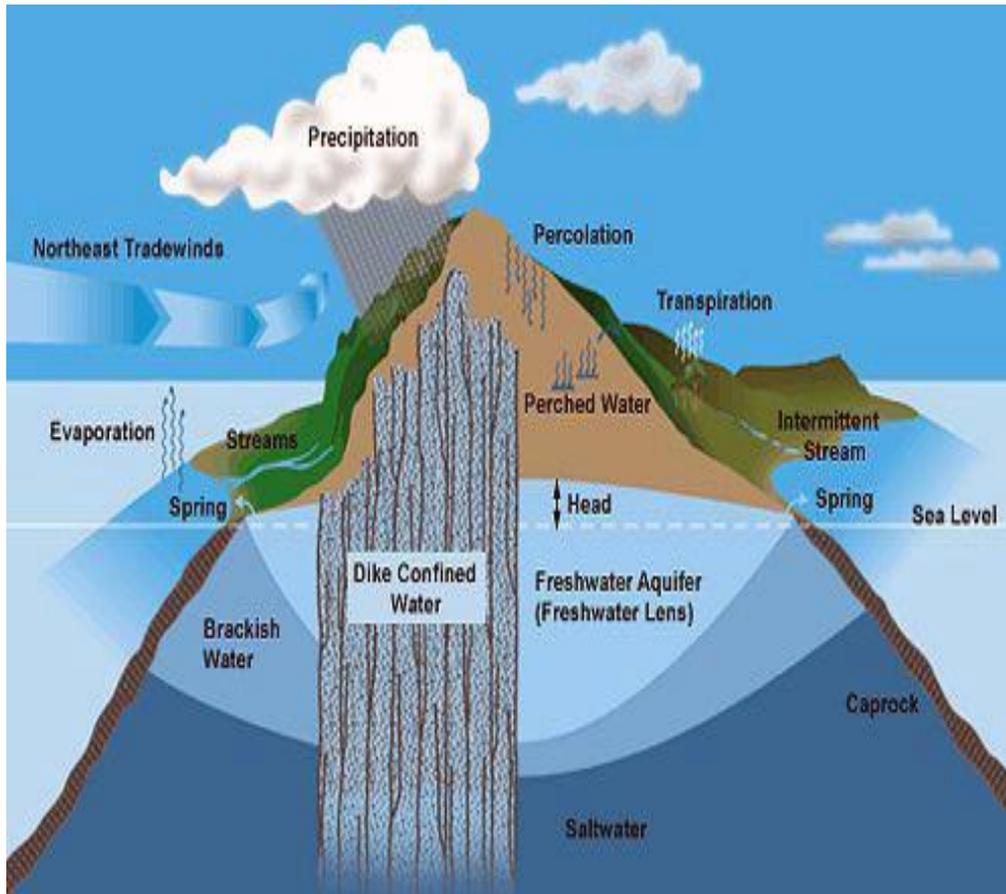
Governments give the highest level of subsidies globally – approaching 2 % of GDP on average  
**BUT**

Benefits are disproportionately captured by the wealthiest quintile of the population.



# Effective Management and Governance

Water Quality, Availability and Sustainability

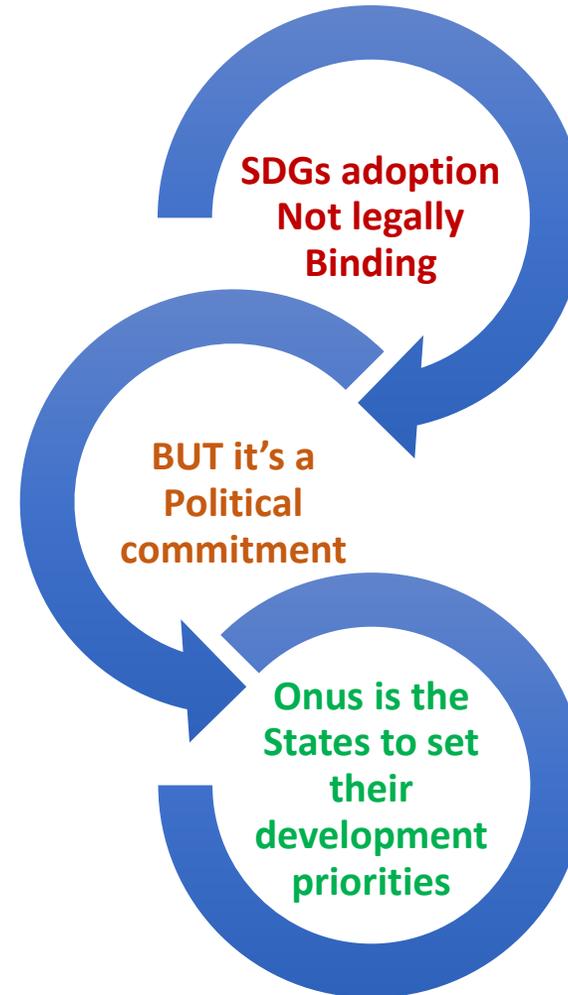


- Effective management of natural resources across the region, human and economic development
- Strengthened decision-making processes
- Effective institutions
- Alignment with key governance principles  
(participation, access to information, accountability, sustainability)



# Enabling Environment for National Priorities for SDGs

- Laws
- Policies
- Implementation mechanisms
- Monitoring and Compliance





## Legal Policy Assessments

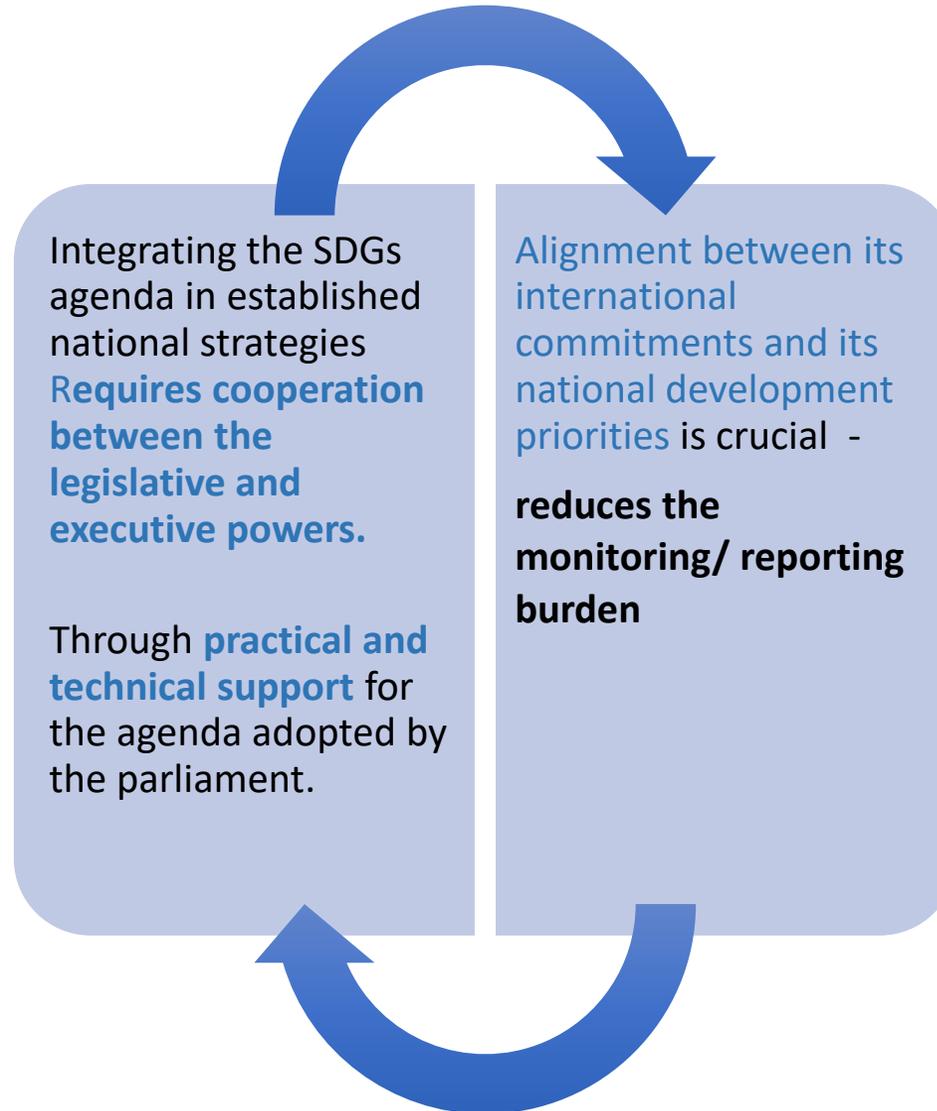
- ❑ The Transformative Agenda 2030 Imperative to *‘leave no one behind’*
- ❑ Each country needs to proceed in **adopting the main principles in national legislation**, or, where possible or necessary, in the constitution.



- ❑ For SDGs to succeed, **legal implementation on the national level is required**
- ❑ Parliamentarians need to **translate SDGs into actionable, sound legislation**



# International & Regional Commitments to National Priorities





# Practical and Technical support

- ❑ Targets 6.a and 6.b, Goal 17 lay out seven building blocks
  - Mutually reinforcing and interdependent
  - Means of implementation
- ❑ Successes & Good Practices?
- ❑ Enabling environment includes:
  - Laws and policies
  - Knowledge Sharing
  - Technology Transfer &
  - Innovations





# Law, Policy, Regulations & Institutions

- ❑ Inadequately articulated laws and policies have cumulative impact:
  - Distort of signals of scarcity
  - Undermine incentives for innovations in water management or technology





## Political Support for Legal – Policy Reform

### ❑ LAW-Policy Reform

- Takes time
- Establish baselines
- Identify and share good practices
- Making concrete recommendations to fill existing gaps

### ❑ Regional co-operation

- Build political support for reforms
- Institutional arrangements for collaboration.



## Financing

- ❑ Water is not tradeable, but when you trade in agricultural products, you are trading water.
- ❑ When countries trade with and invest in each other, they need to cooperate with each other...



SDG implementation will require **forging partnerships** and collaboration between a range of actors.

Build on governments work with other stakeholders, including civil society, the private sector and academia



## Financing – Private Sector Engagement

- ❑ United Nation sees engagement of private sector, investor, academics and institution as an important step in implementing the SDGs
- ❑ SDG framework offers no definitive framework for monitoring the activities of private sector - compliance and accountability
- ❑ Parliaments can facilitate investments and cooperation through legislation e.g. in favour of fair trade



## Capacity Enhancement

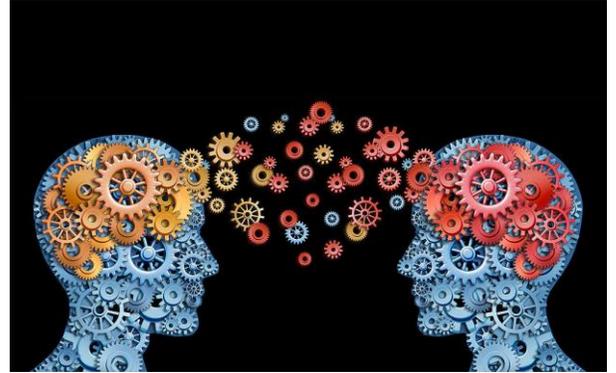


- State and Non-State Actors
- Strengthened decision-making processes
- Alignment with key governance principles
  - participation, access to information, accountability, sustainability



# Knowledge Sharing & Technological Innovations

- Where is the Knowledge?
- Terms for knowledge-sharing & transferability
- Adaptations needed





# Enabling Environment

## Knowledge-Sharing, Technology Transfer, Innovation

- ❑ Cost-effective technological solutions
  - Readily available and implementable
- ❑ Challenge - sustainable solutions
  - Enabling environment
- ❑ Legal, policy and regulatory frameworks
  - Clear mechanisms & structures for operationalisation
  - National programme and project levels





## Inclusive Partnership, Innovations and Accountability



- ❑ How can laws, policies, procedures and instruments be adapted to **create incentives for engagement and partnership?**
- ❑ Operations and value chains of the private sector involved should comply with UN Guiding Principles for private sector engagement

- ❑ Inclusive partnerships
- ❑ Innovative modalities and partnerships for development
- ❑ Accountability & respect for human rights



# Incentives for Private Sector Partnership

- ❑ Overall there is a need to establish conditions for accelerated and inclusive growth to foster tangible wealth for ordinary people

## 1. Renewing the social contract

To generate a new development models that are built on:

- greater citizen trust
- more effective protection of the poor and vulnerable
- inclusive and accountable service delivery
- a stronger private sector that can create jobs and opportunities for MENA's youth

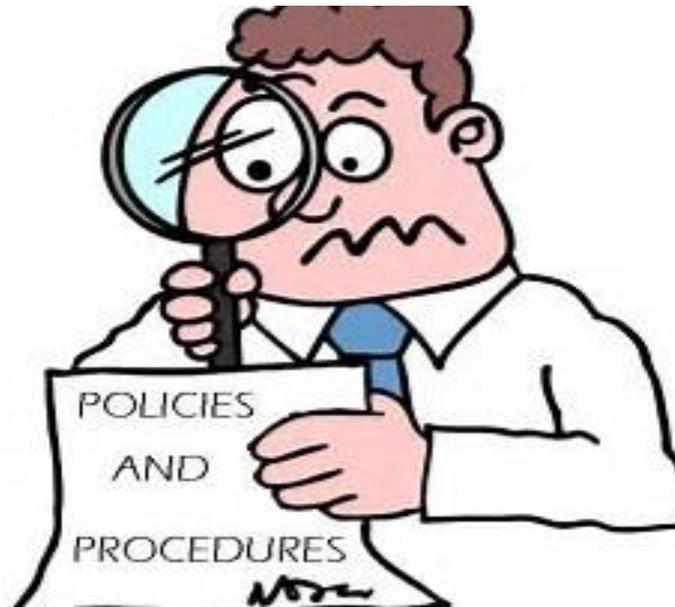
## 2. Regional cooperation

- Particularly around regional public goods and sectors such as education, water, and energy so as to foster greater trust and collaboration across Middle East countries
- Incentivise private-sector job creation and/or improve the quality of public services



“A development path in which human rights are not respected and protected cannot be sustainable, and would render the notion of sustainable development meaningless,”

Anita Ramasastry - member of the UN Working Group on business and human rights





# Why Undertake a Country Mapping?

## LEGAL MAPPING

- ❑ The Quito Communique, 27 March 2013, 128th IPU
  - A call to action to parliaments **to pass legislation** in support of the SDGs
- ❑ All countries **require parliamentary approval on legislation** pertaining to the SDGs





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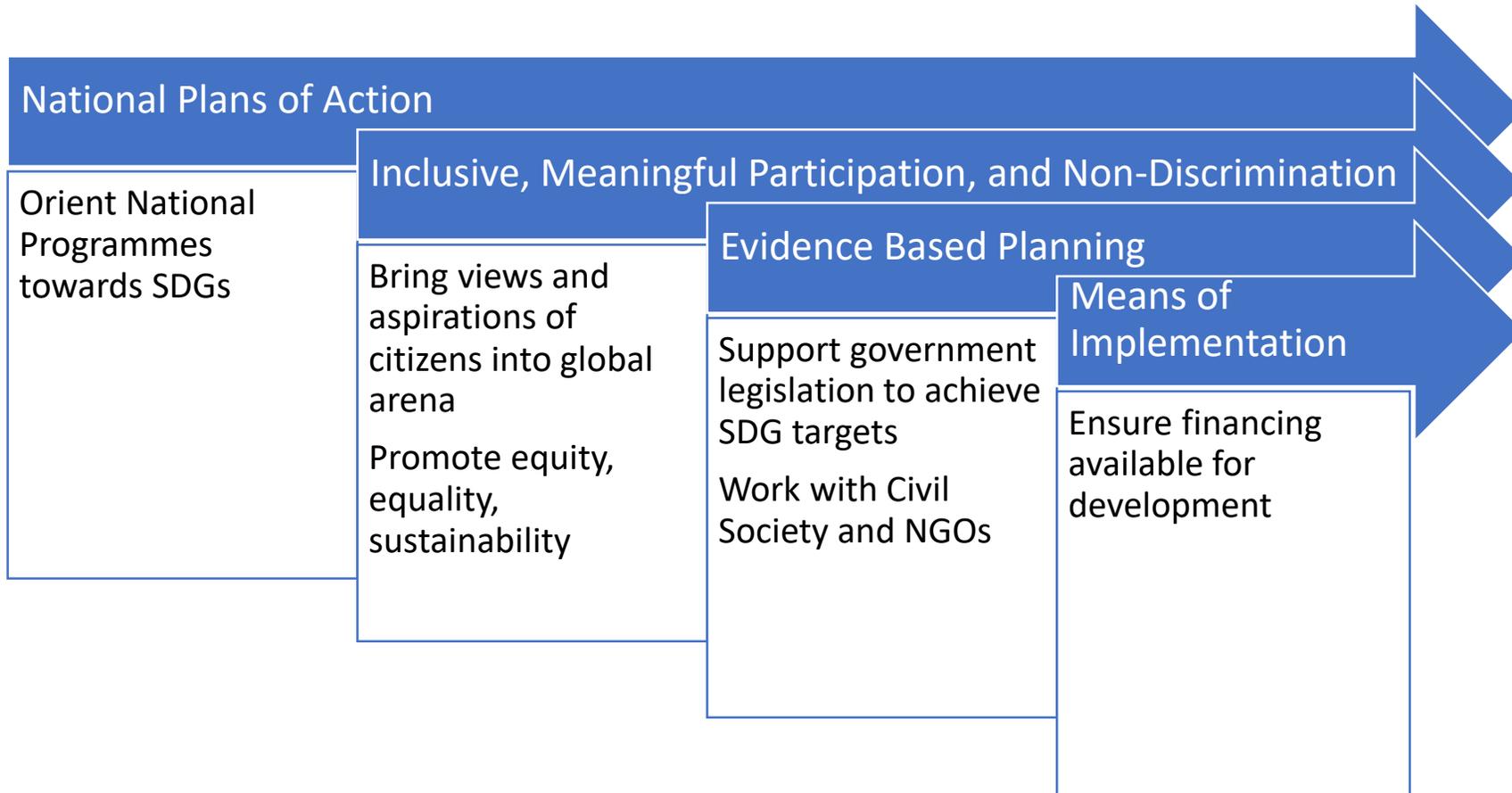
**Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament August 2015**

Speakers of parliament assured their **support of the SDGs** and their will to **actively implement them through national parliaments**



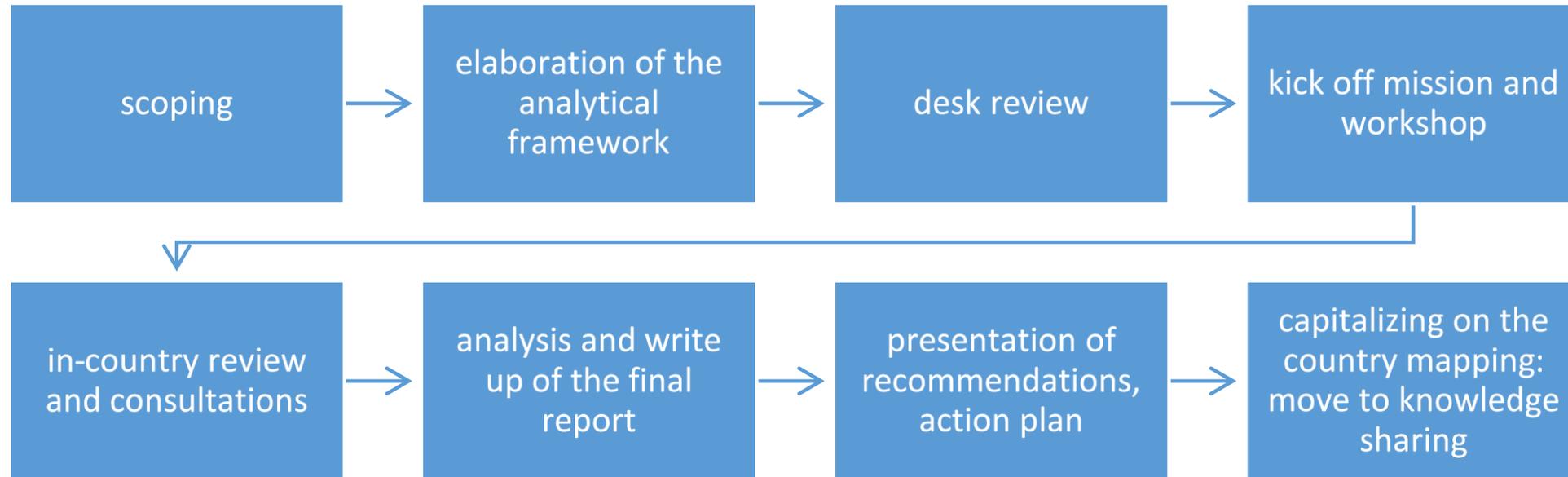


# Central Role of Parliamentarians in Policy





# Steps Involved in Country Mapping





# Methodology

- ❑ Analytical Framework
  - Refined by WaterLex Dec'14
  - Peer reviewed during WaterLex Indicators Conference, Nov'14, Geneva
  - Matrix table with guiding questions
- ❑ Legal mapping
  - Strategic questions on status of right to water and sanitation in country
- ❑ Policy mapping and institutional mapping follows same methodological approach
- ❑ Methodology demonstrated in several Countries
  - Law policy and monitoring framework adjustments and alignment with SDGs



# Case Study : Uganda Country Mapping

1

## Government Invitation

- Clear Outputs
- Process of engagement
- ADA/ DANIDA funding

2

## Inception Seminars

- Quick scoping
- Identify local partners
- Establish project team

3

## Mapping of Stakeholders, Institutions

- Desk review government docs
- legal, policy, monitoring and development
- Preparation of contextual tools

4

## Multi-stakeholder engagements

- National and sub-national consultation
- Collection of good practices

5

## National Plan of Action

- Develop Plan based on collective study

6

## Capacity Enhancement

- Integration of SDGs into Programs and Developmt Planning
- Establish Indicators

UGANDA 2016



BENIN 2015





## Possible Key Outcomes & Outputs

### Key Outcome:

Sharing of Good Practices; Capacity Enhancement and Technology Transfer

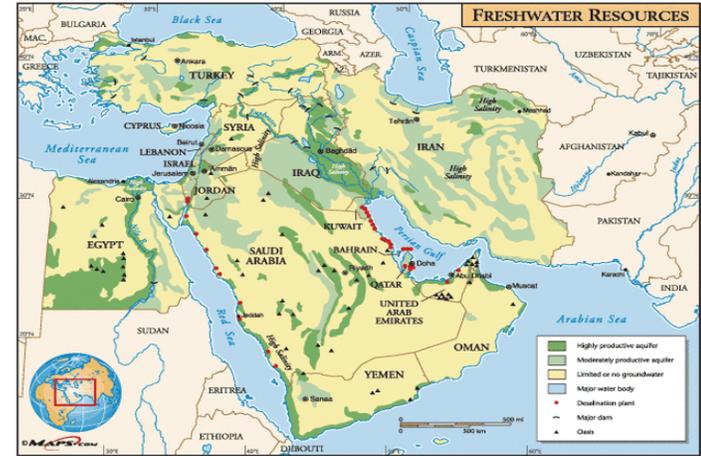
### Key Outputs:

- Domestic water governance law-policy adjustments**
  - policy coherence and alignment with new elements in the SDGs
- Targeted capacity building activities**
  - National and Regional multi-stakeholder engagements
- Established and maintained SDG good practices**
  - SDG implementation for national parliaments/legislators/MPs
- Fostered regional cooperation mechanisms**
  - Legislators/MPs



# Moving Forward

- ❑ The Middle East Committee on Water
  - How parliaments should institutionalize SDGs to capture synergies and build coherence when policies are being developed
- ❑ Each parliament
  - Needs to evaluate its own legal, policy and institutional processes
- ❑ Each parliamentarian
  - Needs to exercise their legislative, oversight, budgetary and representative functions
  - Effectively translate global commitments of SDGs into meaningful change





## Identify Pilot Countries

Two countries to share results of Baseline Analysis as case study.

Requires:

- Government invitation
- Transparency
- Leadership



Benefits:

- Highlight Successes
- Good practices
- Strengthen the enabling environment
- Progress on SDG 6 implementation
- Regional strategy based on this study



# Thank you!

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# Technologies, policies and regulation for wastewater reuse



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# Historical wastewater reuse for aquaculture, India



- Non-treated wastewater & urban runoff from Calcutta
- **Employment and protein: 1'000 tons of fish per year**
- But toxic chemical pollution



# Historical wastewater reuse for agriculture, Mexico

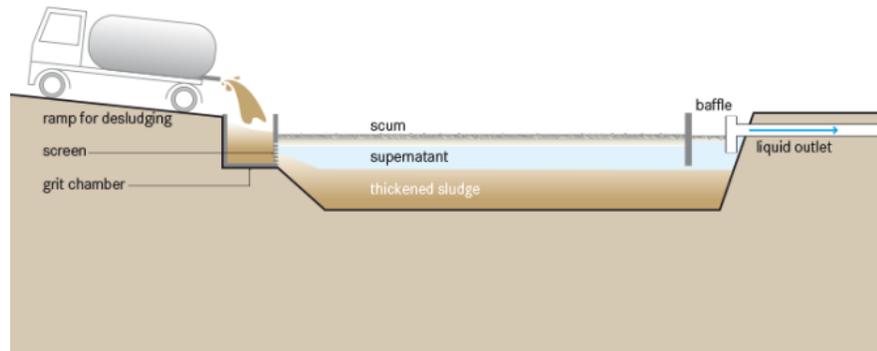


- 💧 Land is irrigated with wastewater from Mexico City
- 💧 Restricted irrigation excludes raw vegetables but health risks
- **World's largest WWTP 1.5 billion USD – irrigation and biogas**

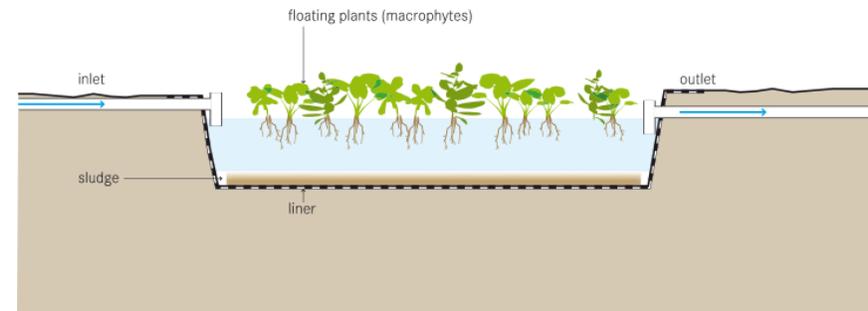




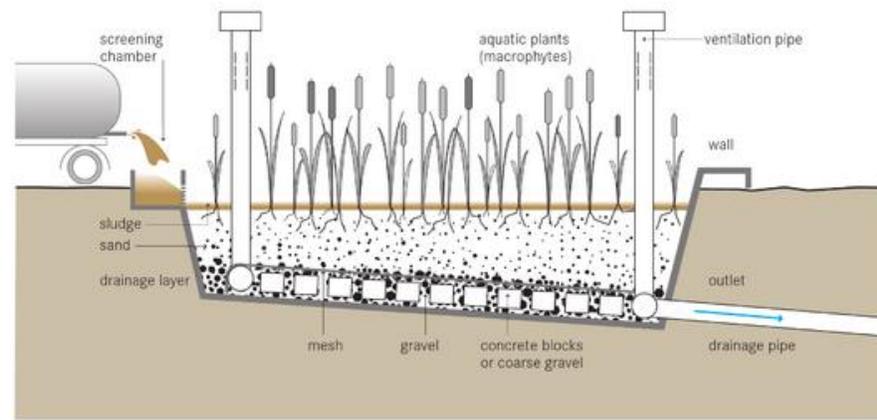
## Thickening ponds



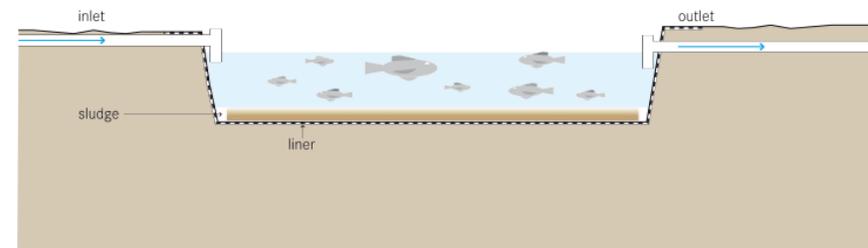
## Floating Plant Pond



## Planted drying beds



## Fish Pond (Aquaculture)

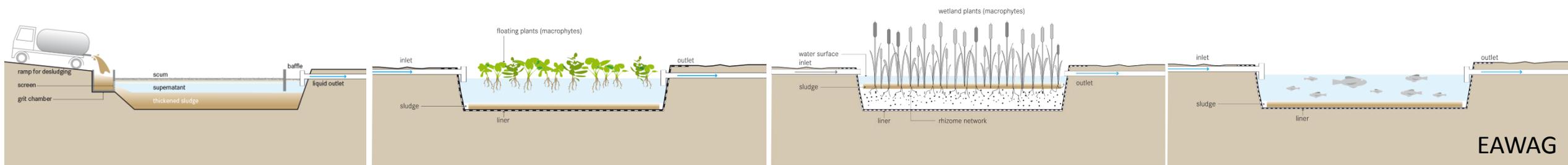




- 💧 Cheap but long-term maintenance (analysis of cost for investment)

- 💧 Insects, odours, do not remove chemical pollutants

- **Effluents can be used, local regulations and reuse options**





- 💧 80% of the jobs depend on water-related services (global economy)

- **Renewable energy (ex. biogas or faecal pellets)**

- 💧 Can offset wastewater treatment cost

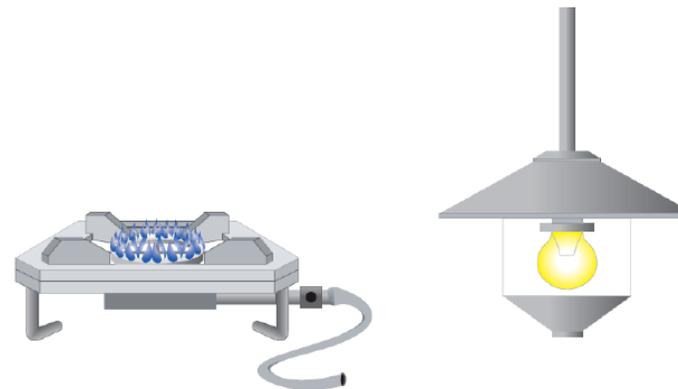
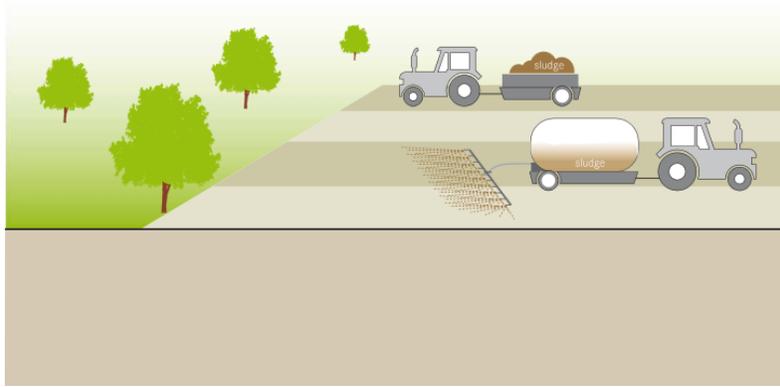




Market value (USD) of different products derived from faecal sludge  
(per tonne of dry weight)

	Soil conditioner	Fuel biogas electricity	Protein
Dakar	7		22
Accra	7	31	29
Kampala	16	32	26

**Unwillingness to use faecal sludge products**  
(social/cultural/religious acceptability & taboos)



# Ex. National regulation/technologies for wastewater treatment



**Institutional  
stakeholders**

**Laws &  
policies**

**Technologies**



## WATER SITUATION

- 🔹 Climate & population → Water scarcity. Water consumption reduced by 40%
- **Wastewater is a valuable resource**
- 🔹 Agriculture, municipal, industrial commercial uses, also environment





## TECHNOLOGIES



### ➤ The largest lagoon-based wastewater treatment plant & biodiversity

- 💧 580 municipal plants
- 💧 92% of the collected wastewater is treated



## GOVERNANCE

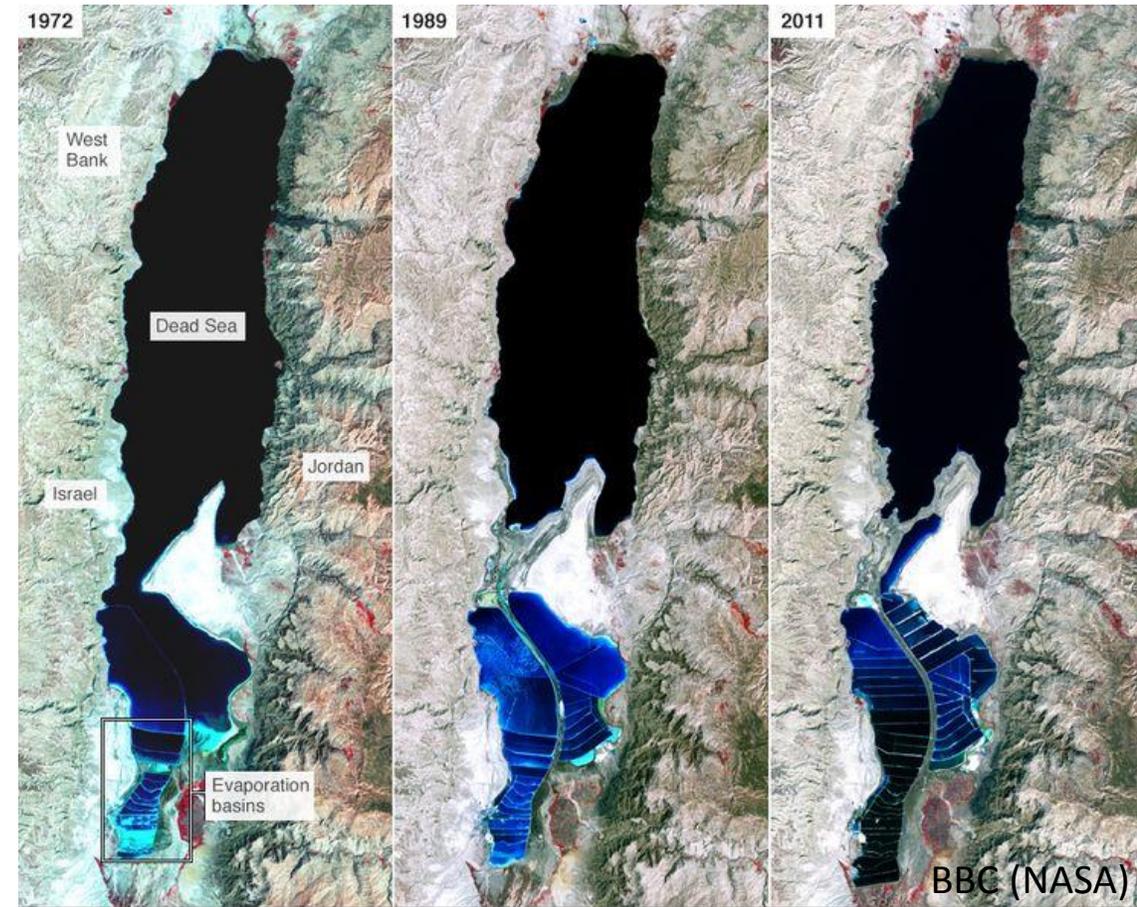
- 🔹 Federal country
- **But homogenous approach: The National Water Initiative**
- 🔹 Water conservation & recycling initiatives





## WATER SITUATION

- 💧 Aggravation of the water scarcity
- 💧 Institutions & cooperation
- Well designed policy & stakeholders





## GOVERNANCE

💧 The Wastewater Management Policy

➤ **Treated effluents considered as a water resource**

💧 The National Water Strategy



Sumaya Agha (Zaatari camp)



## TECHNOLOGIES

- 💧 34 treatment plants (one in the 1960s)
- 💧 ~ 98% of the collected wastewater is treated
- ~ 90 % being reused in agriculture, rivers & industries
- 💧 But accumulated treated sludge considered as a waste





## WATER SITUATION

- 💧 Water as a national priority
- **99.5% of the collected wastewater is treated**
- 💧 7 wastewater treatment plants

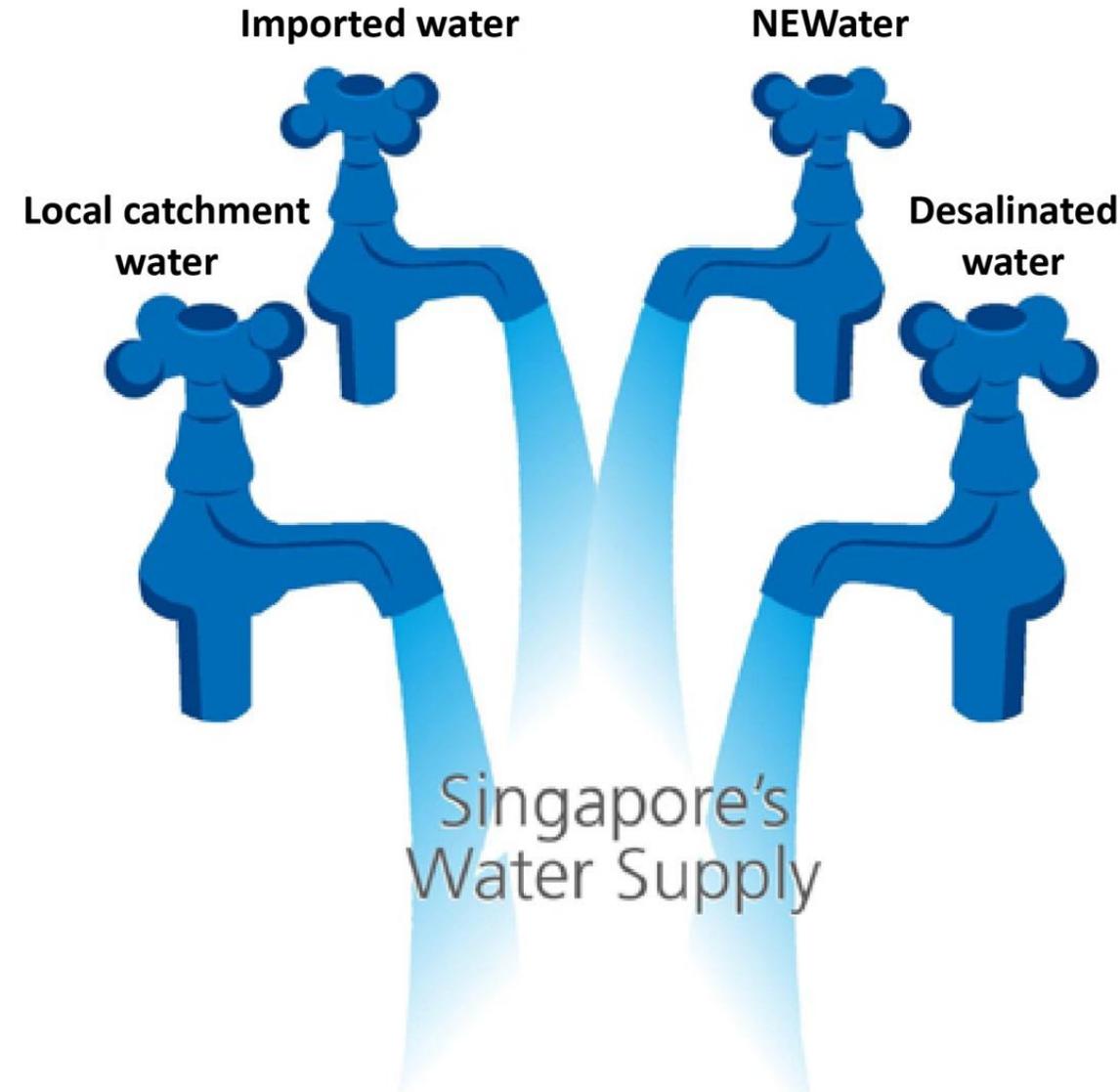




## TECHNOLOGIES

“Four National Taps”:

- Drinking water can be produced from wastewater using reverse osmosis





## GOVERNANCE

💧 Holistic approach

Policy axis

Institutional axis

Legislation axis

➤ **Innovation: Food waste and wastewater to produce energy**





## WATER SITUATION

- Legal framework based on racial segregation until 1994
- A new legislation for wastewater**
- 25% no access to sanitation services
- 57% connected to wastewater treatment





## TECHNOLOGIES

- 💧 A better efficiency of water use
- 💧 ~1000 treatment plants, but many need investment
- **New granular sludge technology**  
**Dutch Public-Private Partnership**





## GOVERNANCE

- Policy based on a human rights-based approach
- 💧 Recognition before the UN General Assembly
- 💧 The Free Basic Sanitation Implementation Strategy

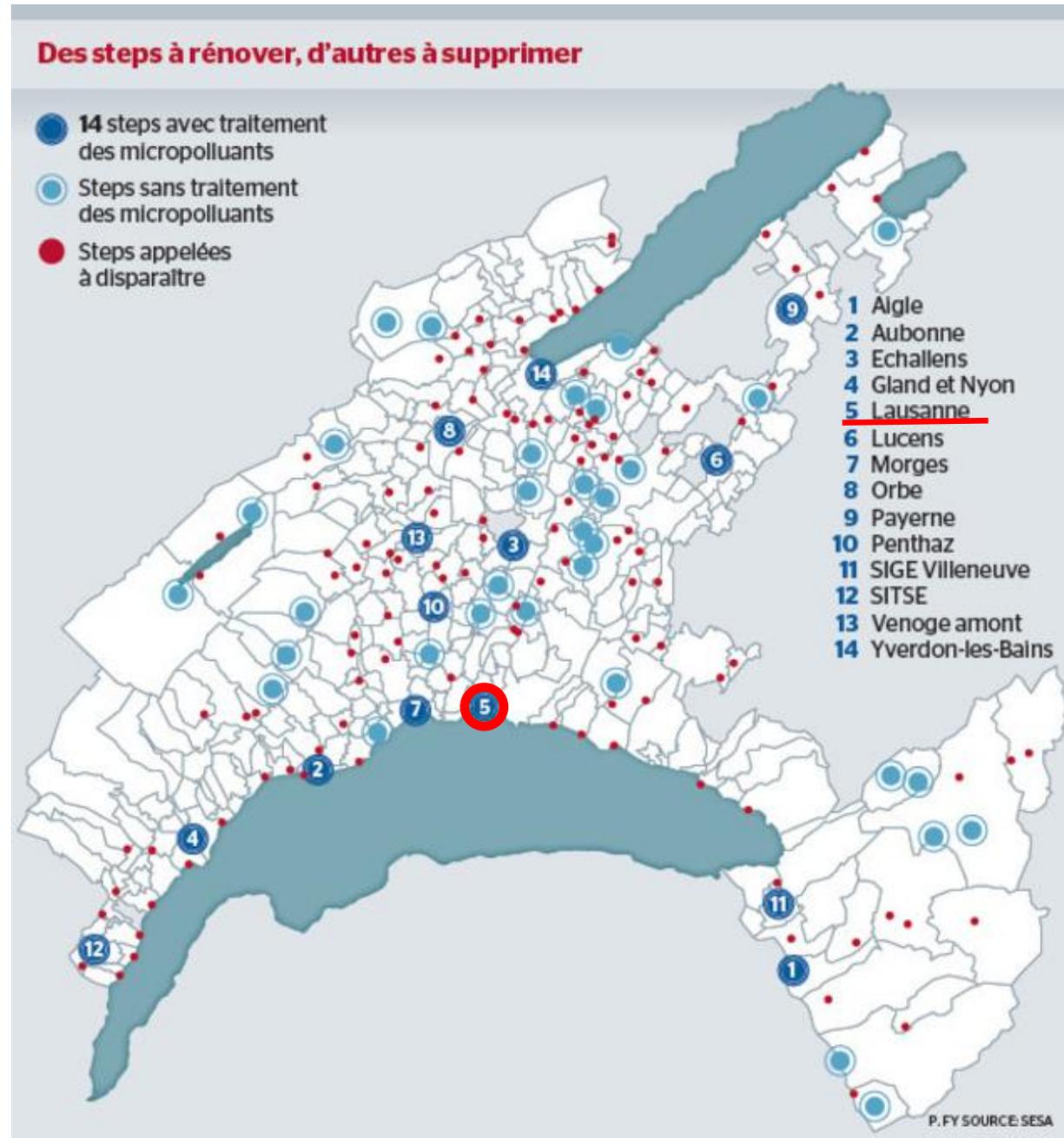




## ➤ Swiss Parliament amended the Water Protection Act

🔹 First country with a (Federal) legislation obliging large cities to treat micropollutants from wastewater

🔹 100 wastewater treatment plants to be upgraded. Financed by a new tax of 9 euros until 2040

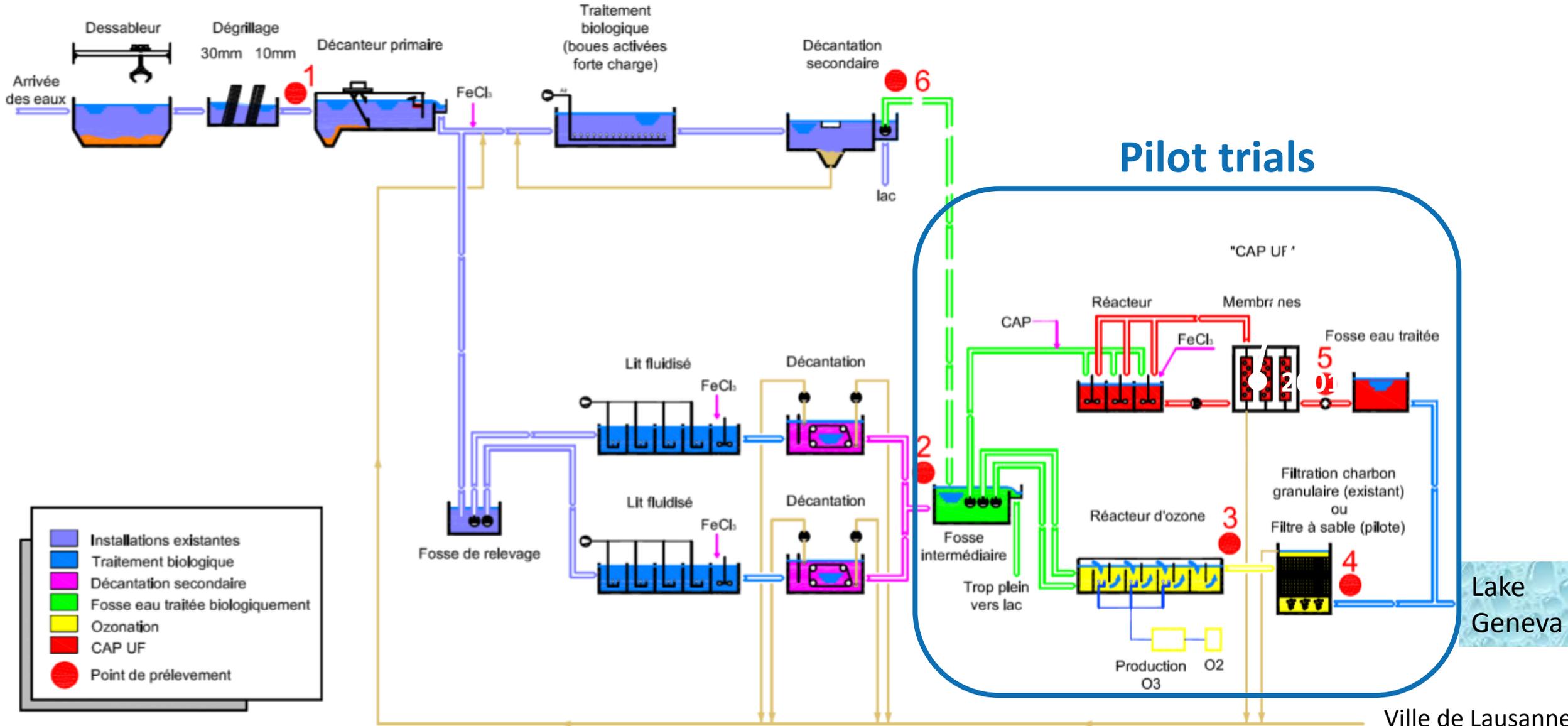




# Lausanne: 300 million € for treating micropollutants



## Pre-treatment    Primary    Secondary/Tertiary    Micropollutants (20 to 80% treated)

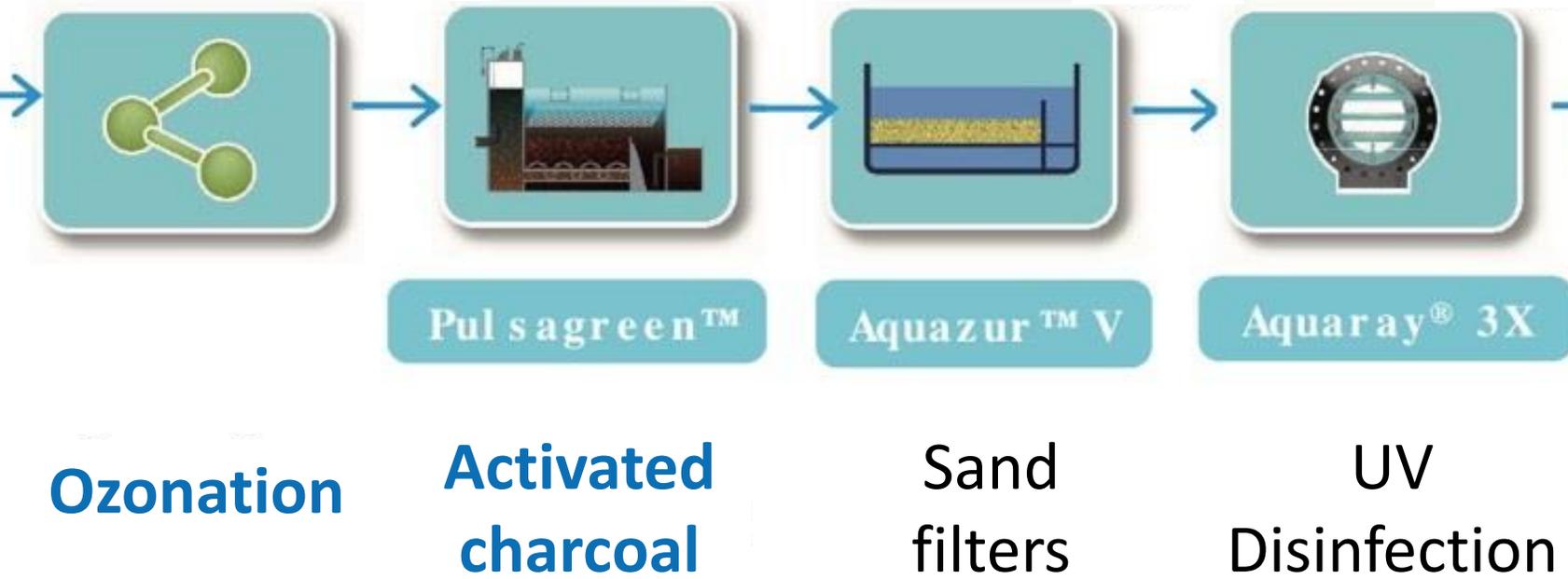


Lake Geneva



58 potentially problematic substances monitored

0.1-0.15 € per m<sup>3</sup> treated, financed by new Federal tax of 0.11€ on water bill





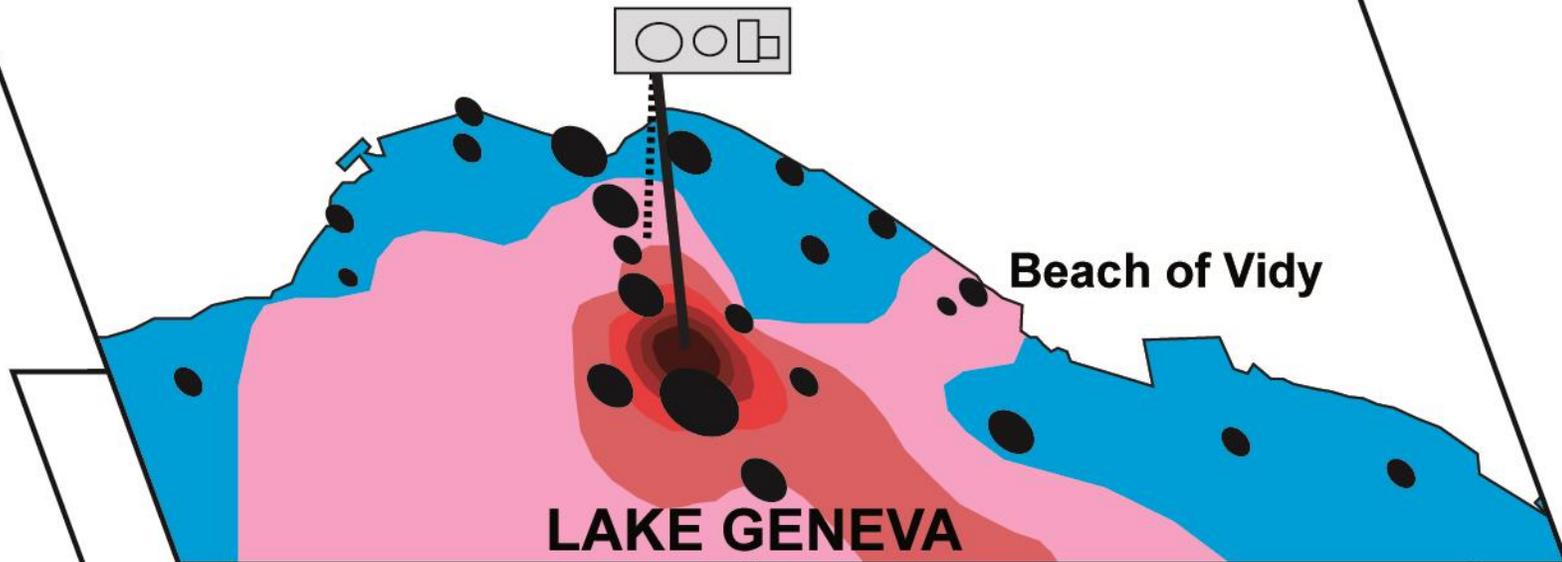
- Site (road and lake) & archaeological artefacts
- **24h/24h wastewater treatment for 200'000 inhabitants (400'000 in 2040)**
- Pollution by treated and non treated wastewater in the bathing Bay



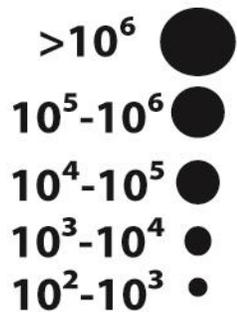
# Lausanne: increasing population, wastewater treatment challenges



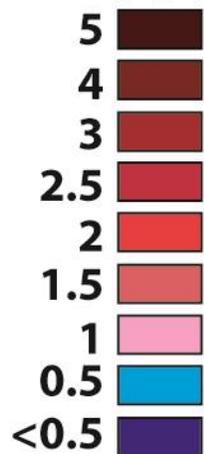
WasteWater Treatment Plan (city of Lausanne) 2005



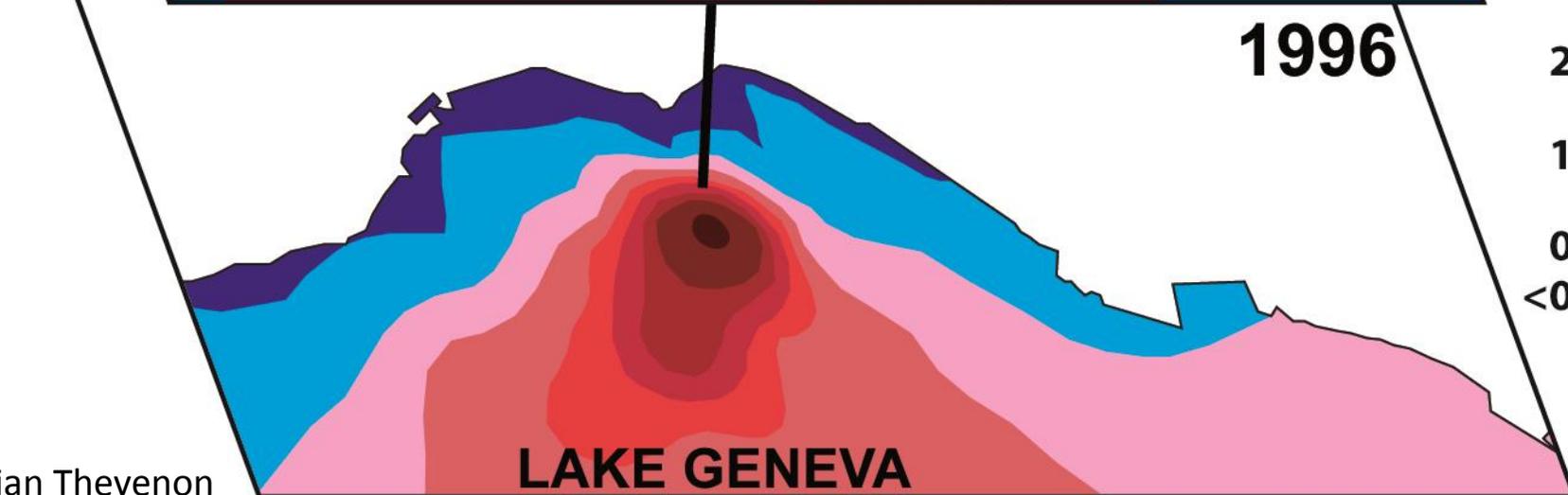
Escherichia coli (CFU/g)



Mercury (µg/g)

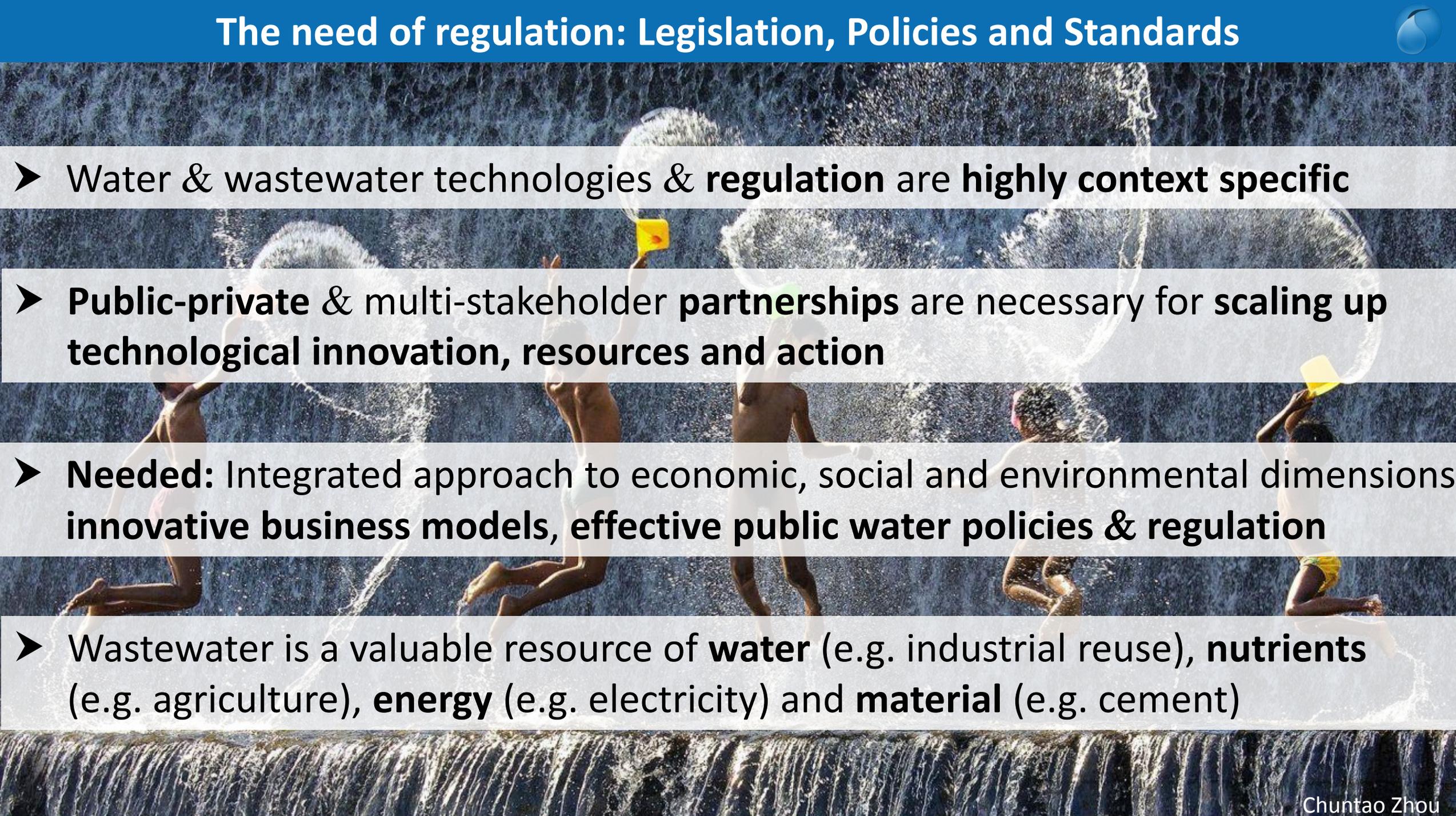


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SCIENCE & water quality data to find solutions and to improve water governance



- 
- Water & wastewater technologies & **regulation** are **highly context specific**
  - **Public-private & multi-stakeholder partnerships** are necessary for **scaling up technological innovation, resources and action**
  - **Needed:** Integrated approach to economic, social and environmental dimensions **innovative business models, effective public water policies & regulation**
  - Wastewater is a valuable resource of **water** (e.g. industrial reuse), **nutrients** (e.g. agriculture), **energy** (e.g. electricity) and **material** (e.g. cement)

Thank you for your attention



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# Enabling Environment for Knowledge Sharing and Technology Transfer

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## Current Situation

MENA region - most water scarce region in the world - average of 656 m<sup>3</sup> of renewable freshwater per capita...



- ❑ Most water scarce region
- ❑ Lowest productivity of water in the world.
- ❑ Among the lowest water tariffs in the world.

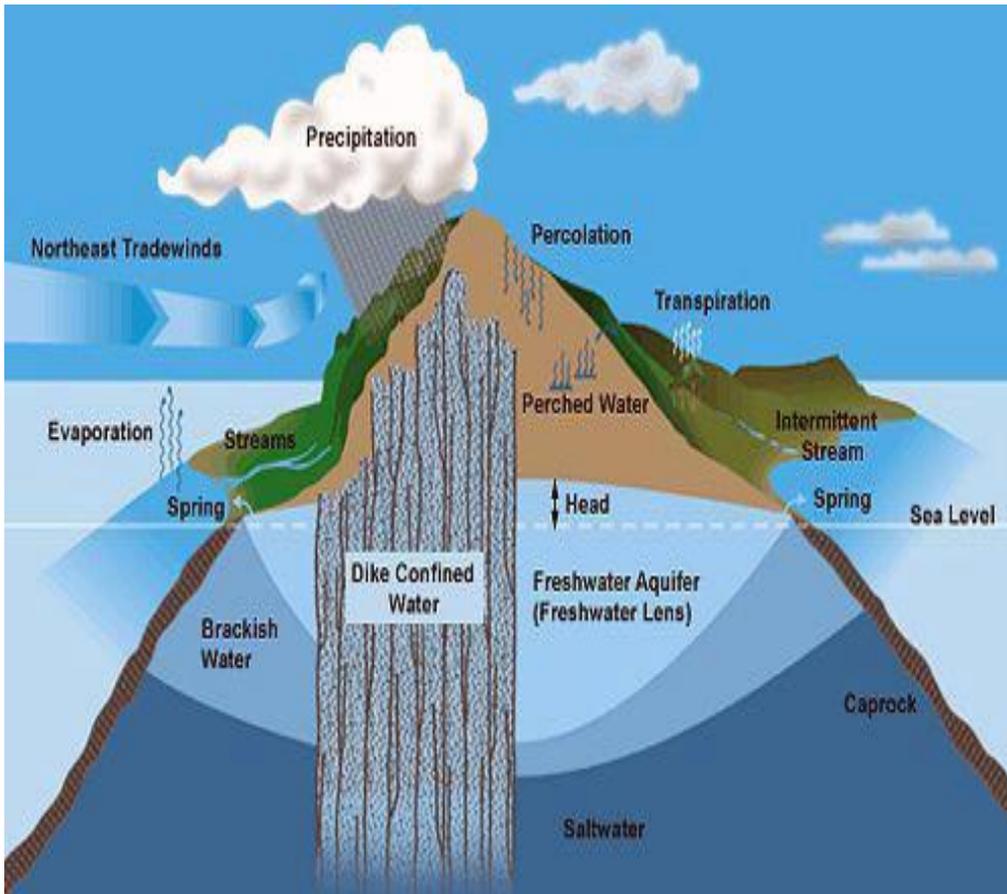
Governments give the highest level of subsidies globally – approaching 2 % of GDP on average  
**BUT**

Benefits are disproportionately captured by the wealthiest quintile of the population.



# Effective Management and Governance

## Water Quality, Availability and Sustainability

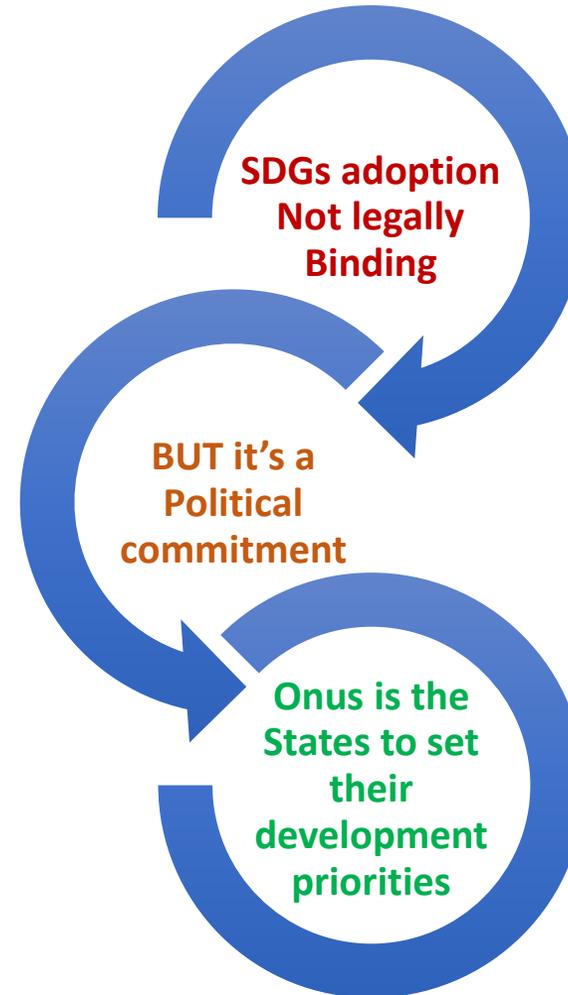


- Effective management of natural resources across the region, human and economic development
- Strengthened decision-making processes
- Effective institutions
- Alignment with key governance principles  
(participation, access to information, accountability, sustainability)



# Enabling Environment for National Priorities for SDGs

- Laws
- Policies
- Implementation mechanisms
- Monitoring and Compliance





## Legal Policy Assessments

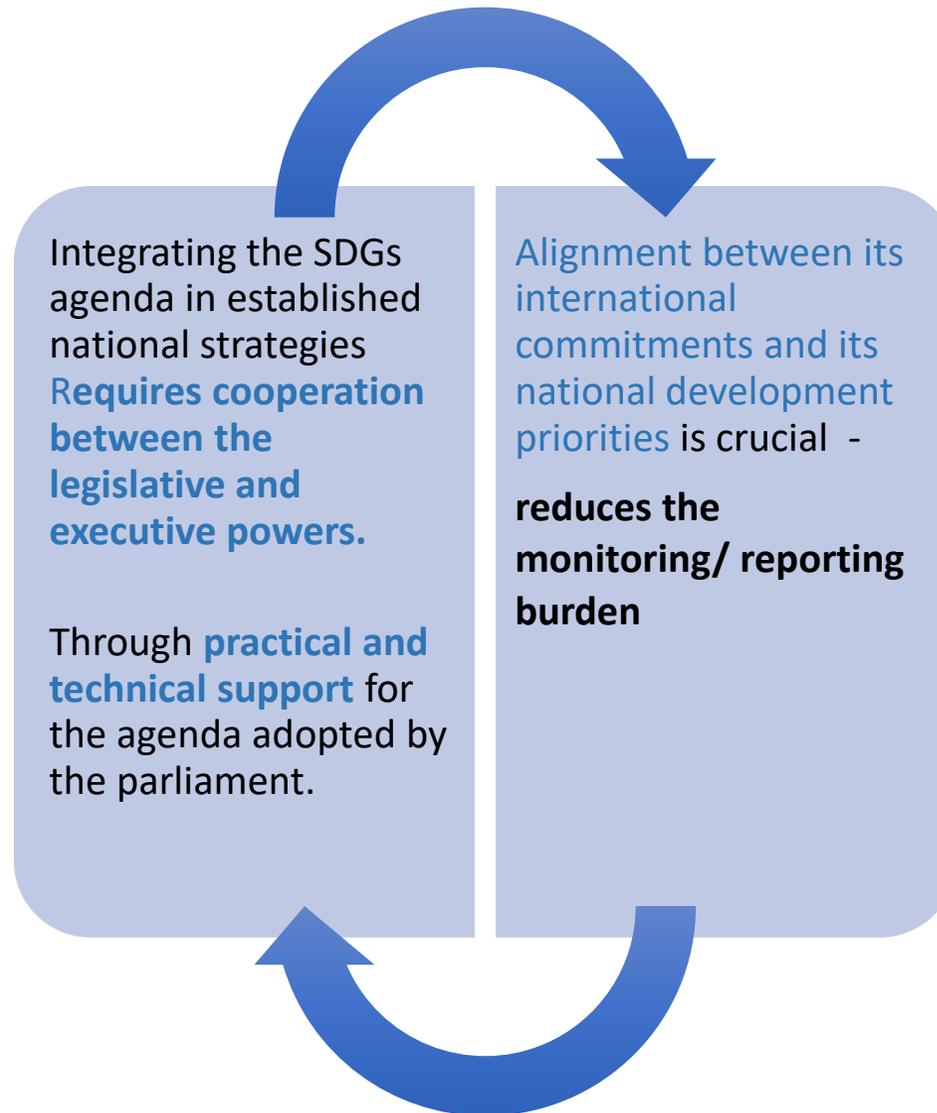
- ❑ The Transformative Agenda 2030 Imperative to *“leave no one behind”*
- ❑ Each country needs to proceed in **adopting the main principles in national legislation**, or, where possible or necessary, in the constitution.



- ❑ For SDGs to succeed, **legal implementation on the national level is required**
- ❑ Parliamentarians need to **translate SDGs into actionable, sound legislation**



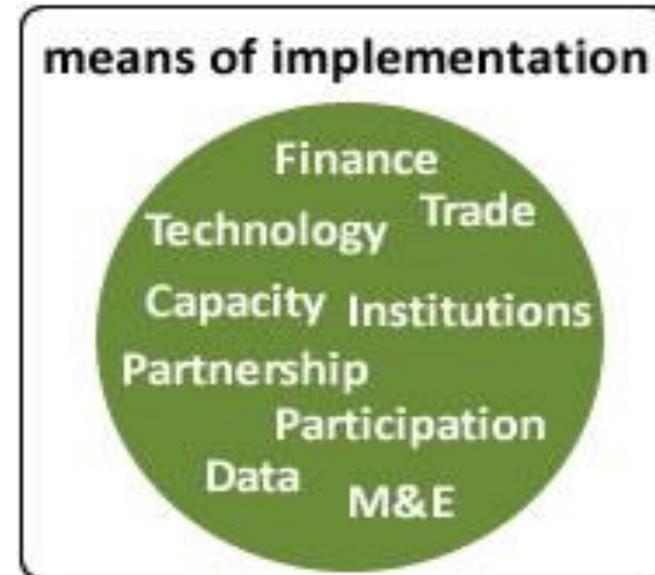
# International & Regional Commitments to National Priorities





## Practical and Technical support

- ❑ Targets 6.a and 6.b, Goal 17 lay out seven building blocks
  - Mutually reinforcing and interdependent
  - Means of implementation
- ❑ Successes & Good Practices?
- ❑ Enabling environment includes:
  - Laws and policies
  - Knowledge Sharing
  - Technology Transfer &
  - Innovations





## Law, Policy, Regulations & Institutions

- ❑ Inadequately articulated laws and policies have cumulative impact:
  - Distort of signals of scarcity
  - Undermine incentives for innovations in water management or technology





## Political Support for Legal – Policy Reform

### ❑ LAW-Policy Reform

- Takes time
- Establish baselines
- Identify and share good practices
- Making concrete recommendations to fill existing gaps

### ❑ Regional co-operation

- Build political support for reforms
- Institutional arrangements for collaboration.



## Financing

- ❑ Water is not tradeable, but when you trade in agricultural products, you are trading water.
- ❑ When countries trade with and invest in each other, they need to cooperate with each other...



SDG implementation will require **forging partnerships** and collaboration between a range of actors.

Build on governments work with other stakeholders, including civil society, the private sector and academia



## Financing – Private Sector Engagement

- ❑ United Nation sees engagement of private sector, investor, academics and institution as an important step in implementing the SDGs
- ❑ SDG framework offers no definitive framework for monitoring the activities of private sector - compliance and accountability
- ❑ Parliaments can facilitate investments and cooperation through legislation e.g. in favour of fair trade



## Capacity Enhancement



- State and Non-State Actors
- Strengthened decision-making processes
- Alignment with key governance principles
  - participation, access to information, accountability, sustainability



# Knowledge Sharing & Technological Innovations

- Where is the Knowledge?
- Terms for knowledge-sharing & transferability
- Adaptations needed





# Enabling Environment

## Knowledge-Sharing, Technology Transfer, Innovation

- ❑ Cost-effective technological solutions
  - Readily available and implementable
- ❑ Challenge - sustainable solutions
  - Enabling environment
- ❑ Legal, policy and regulatory frameworks
  - Clear mechanisms & structures for operationalisation
  - National programme and project levels





## Inclusive Partnership, Innovations and Accountability



- ❑ How can laws, policies, procedures and instruments be adapted to **create incentives for engagement and partnership?**
- ❑ Operations and value chains of the private sector involved should comply with UN Guiding Principles for private sector engagement

- ❑ Inclusive partnerships
- ❑ Innovative modalities and partnerships for development
- ❑ Accountability & respect for human rights



# Incentives for Private Sector Partnership

- ❑ Overall there is a need to establish conditions for accelerated and inclusive growth to **foster tangible wealth** for ordinary people

## 1. Renewing the social contract

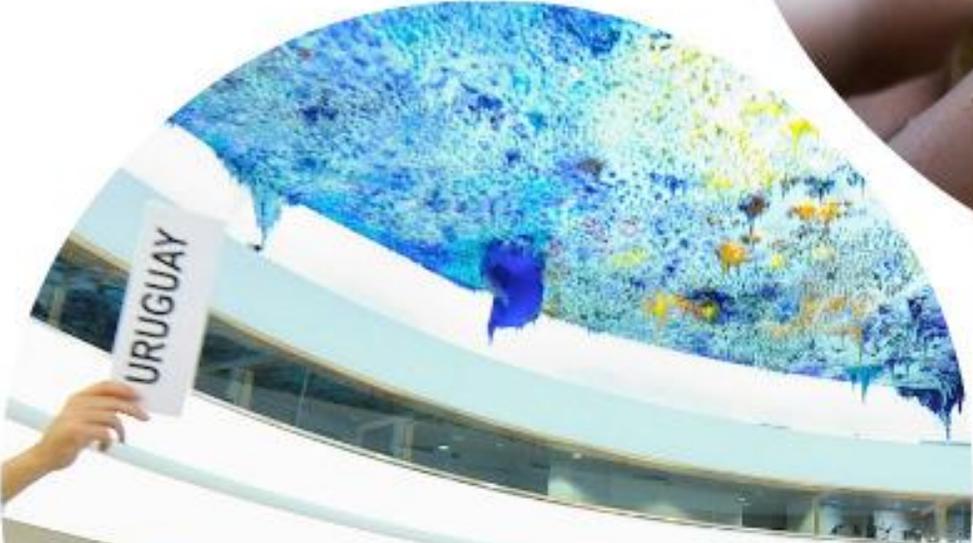
To generate a new development models that are built on:

- greater citizen trust
- more effective protection of the poor and vulnerable
- inclusive and accountable service delivery
- a stronger private sector that can create jobs and opportunities for MENA's youth

## 2. Regional cooperation

- Particularly around regional public goods and sectors such as education, water, and energy so as to foster greater trust and collaboration across Middle East countries
- Incentivise private-sector job creation and/or improve the quality of public services

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# The Country Mapping Approach

## Case Studies and Pilot Countries

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# Technology Transfer

- A product, process or a body of knowledge from one party to its adoption by another party
  - a planned process
  - a multi-stage process - not linear as feedback is important
  - passing the control of a technology
  - involves participants
  - adoption of technology presupposes
  - commitment - mutual dependency



# Technology Transfer

## CONTROLLED FACTORS

- Legal aspects:** intellectual property rights, transfer agreements, licensing, patent rights, royalties
- Technical competence**
- Industry standards and regulations:** performance requirements, applications, bureaucracy, formalized procedures, institutional policies

## CONTEXT

- Economic structure:** global trade, job creation, supply and demand, state funding, trade agreements
- Social legacy:** illiteracy, values, culture, previous exposure to new technology
- Political framework:** political stability, protection of monopolies



## Technology Transfer – Practical Considerations

- ❑ **Pace of technological change viz** organizational change assimilation and institutionalization
- ❑ **RECEIVER organization's capacity or ability to absorb new technology**
- ❑ **A culture of action orientation, risk taking, receptiveness**
  - Short-term tenure of management - may not consider long-term technology development.



## Technology Transfer – Human Factors

- ❑ People (and not papers) transfer technology.
  
- ❑ People in the transfer process have to be:
  - **informed on process**
  - **consulted** - needs, concerns, perceptions, attitudes and expectations
  - **trained/mentored** - to understand and utilize the technology to its fullest extent.



## Technology Transfer – Possible Barriers

- The balance between technology-push and market-pull is important.
- Communicate the **technology value - Impact ripping** - is it going to be easily integrated into the existing system?
- Communication Barrier – strategy

IMPORTANT to build/develop and maintain solid and respectful, long-term relationships among stakeholders



# Why Undertake a Country Mapping?

## LEGAL MAPPING

- ❑ The Quito Communique, 27 March 2013, 128th IPU
  - A call to action to parliaments **to pass legislation** in support of the SDGs
- ❑ All countries **require parliamentary approval on legislation** pertaining to the SDGs





## Why Undertake a Country Mapping?

**Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament August 2015**

Speakers of parliament assured their **support of the SDGs** and their will to **actively implement them through national parliaments**



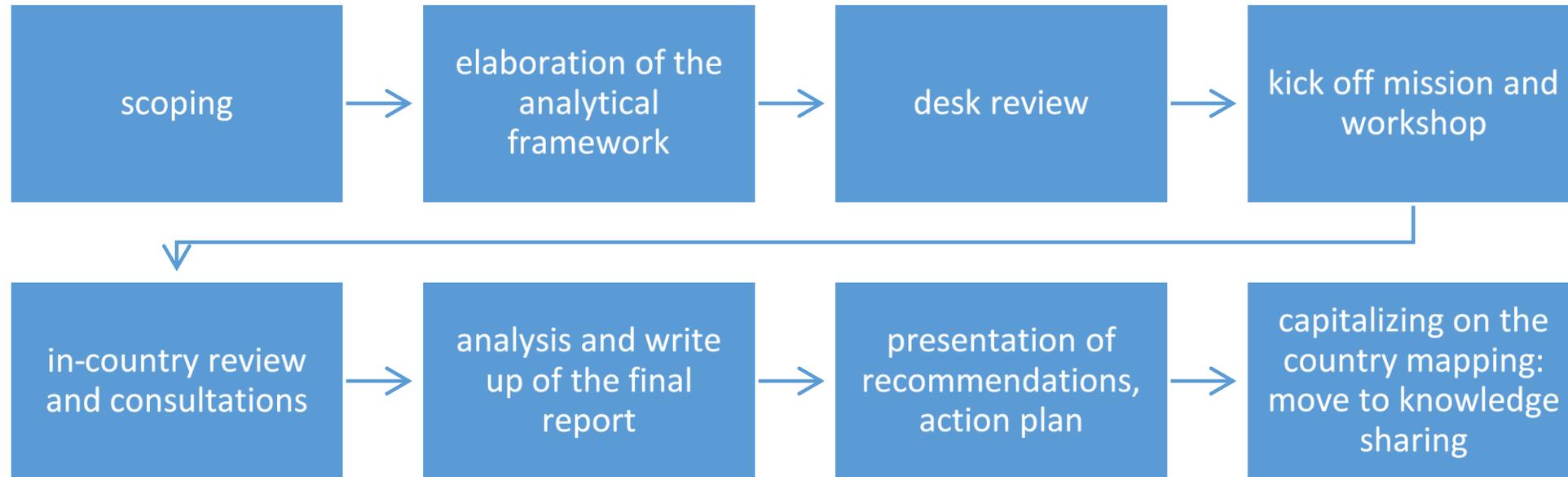


# Methodology

- ❑ Analytical Framework
  - Refined by WaterLex Dec'14
  - Peer reviewed during WaterLex Indicators Conference, Nov'14, Geneva
  - Matrix table with guiding questions
- ❑ Legal mapping
  - Strategic questions on status of right to water and sanitation in country
- ❑ Policy mapping and institutional mapping follows same methodological approach
- ❑ Methodology demonstrated in several Countries
  - Law policy and monitoring framework adjustments and alignment with SDGs



# Steps Involved in Country Mapping





# Case Study : Uganda Country Mapping

1

## Government Invitation

- Clear Outputs
- Process of engagement
- ADA/ DANIDA funding

2

## Inception Seminars

- Quick scoping
- Identify local partners
- Establish project team

3

## Mapping of Stakeholders, Institutions

- Desk review government docs
- legal, policy, monitoring and development
- Preparation of contextual tools

4

## Multi-stakeholder engagements

- National and sub-national consultation
- Collection of good practices

5

## National Plan of Action

- Develop Plan based on collective study

6

## Capacity Enhancement

- Integration of SDGs into Programs and Developmt Planning
- Establish Indicators

**UGANDA 2016**



**Mexico 2017**

**India 2017**



**BENIN 2015**





## Possible Key Outcomes & Outputs

### Key Outcome:

Sharing of Good Practices; Capacity Enhancement and Technology Transfer

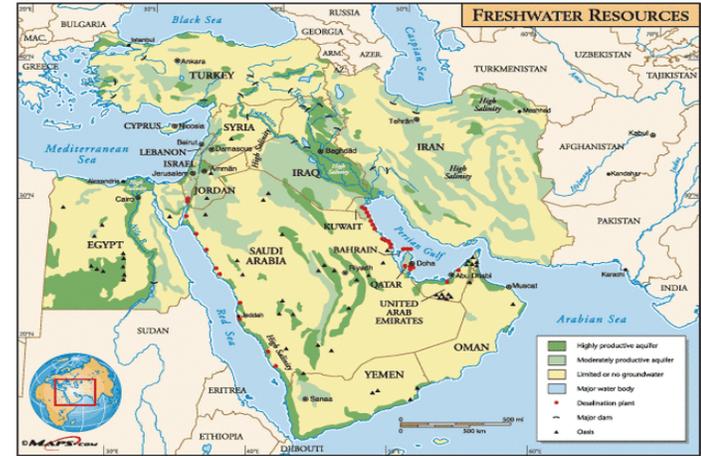
### Key Outputs:

- Domestic water governance law-policy adjustments**
  - policy coherence and alignment with new elements in the SDGs
  - Industry standards and regulation
- Targeted capacity building activities**
  - National and Regional multi-stakeholder engagements
- Established and maintained SDG good practices**
  - SDG implementation for national parliaments/legislators/MPs
- Fostered regional cooperation mechanisms**
  - Legislators/MPs



# Moving Forward

- ❑ The Middle East Committee on Water
  - How parliaments should institutionalize SDGs to capture synergies and build coherence when policies are being developed
- ❑ Each parliament
  - Needs to evaluate its own legal, policy and institutional processes
- ❑ Each parliamentarian
  - Needs to exercise their legislative, oversight, budgetary and representative functions
  - Effectively translate global commitments of SDGs into meaningful change







# Thank you!

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# CERN: Sixty years of science for peace and development

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*Session 5: Science models to promote the dialogue and Science for Peace School*

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- **Introduction to CERN**
- **CERN's advocacy for science in the international Community**
- **Science and diplomacy; science for peace.**
- **Science for Peace Schools**

# CERN: founded in 1954: 12 European States

“Science for Peace”

## Today: 22 Member States

~ 2300 staff

~ 1400 other paid personnel

~ 12500 scientific users

Budget (2016) ~1000 MCHF

**Member States:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom

**Associate Member States:** India, Pakistan, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine

**States in accession to Membership:** Cyprus, Serbia

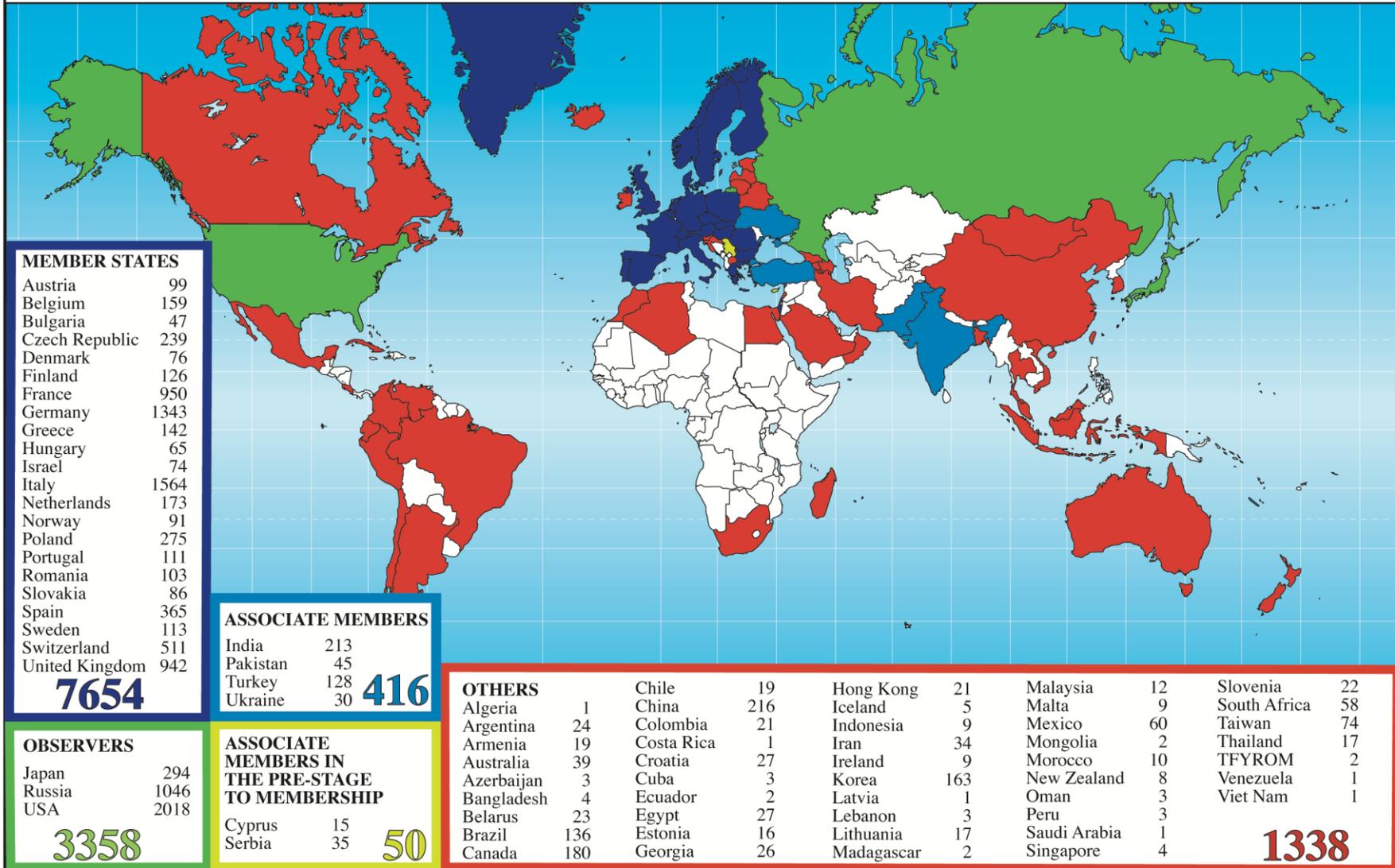
**Applications for Membership or Associate Membership:**

Brazil, Croatia, Lithuania, Russia

**Observers to Council:** Japan, Russia, United States of America; European Union, JINR and UNESCO

# Science is getting more and more global

## Distribution of All CERN Users by Location of Institute on 12 January 2017

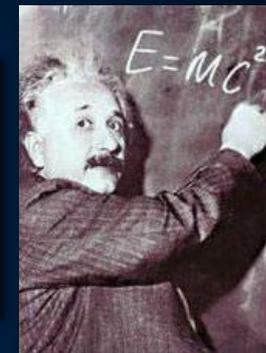




# The Mission of CERN

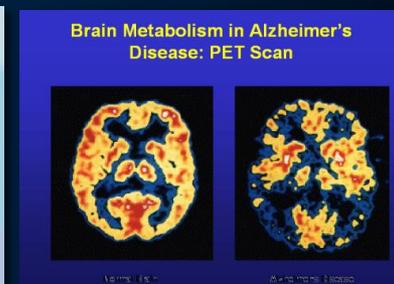
## ❑ Push back the frontiers of knowledge

E.g. the secrets of the Big Bang ...what was the matter like within the first moments of the Universe's existence?



## ❑ Develop new technologies for accelerators and detectors

Information technology - the Web and the GRID  
Medicine - diagnosis and therapy



## ❑ Train scientists and engineers of tomorrow

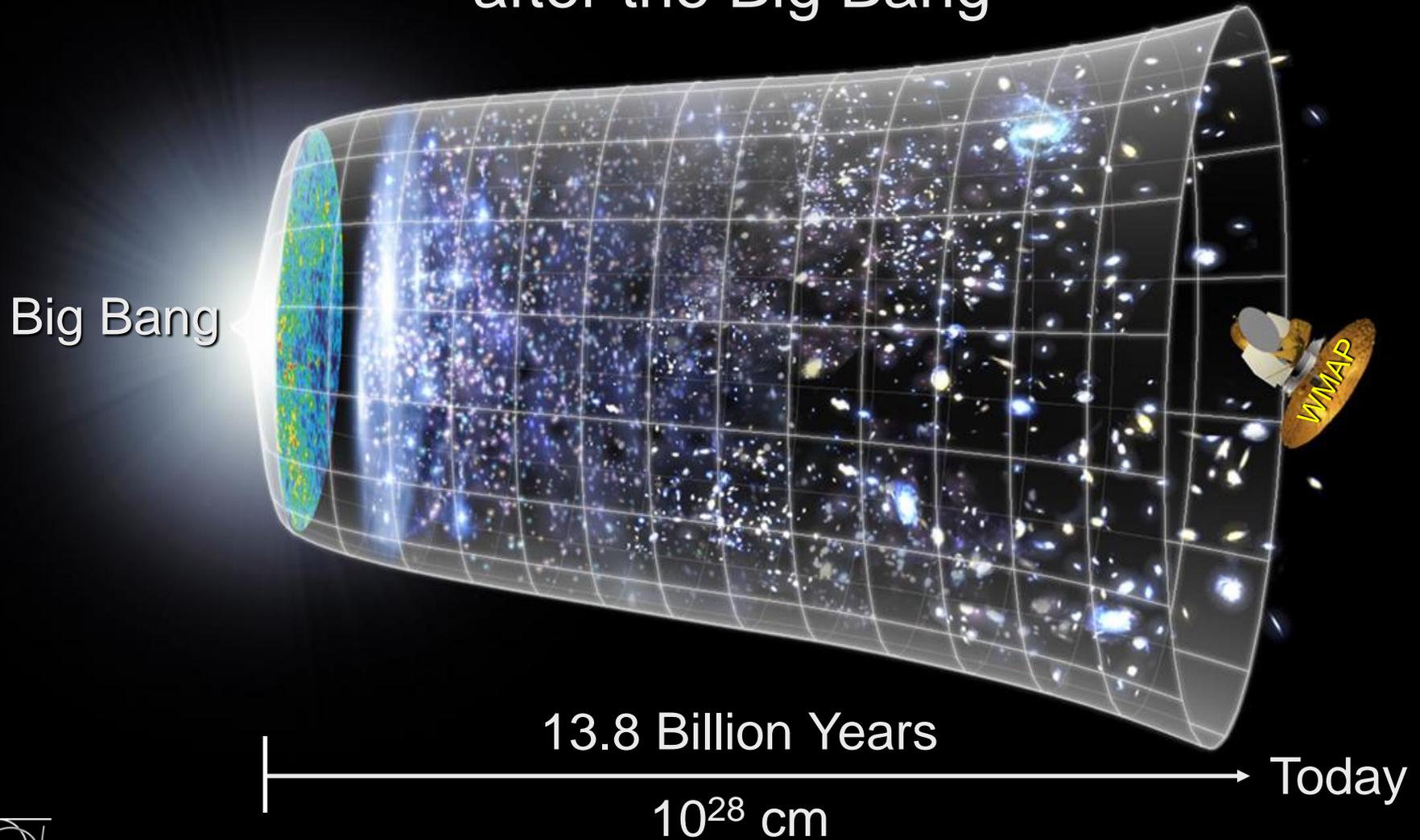


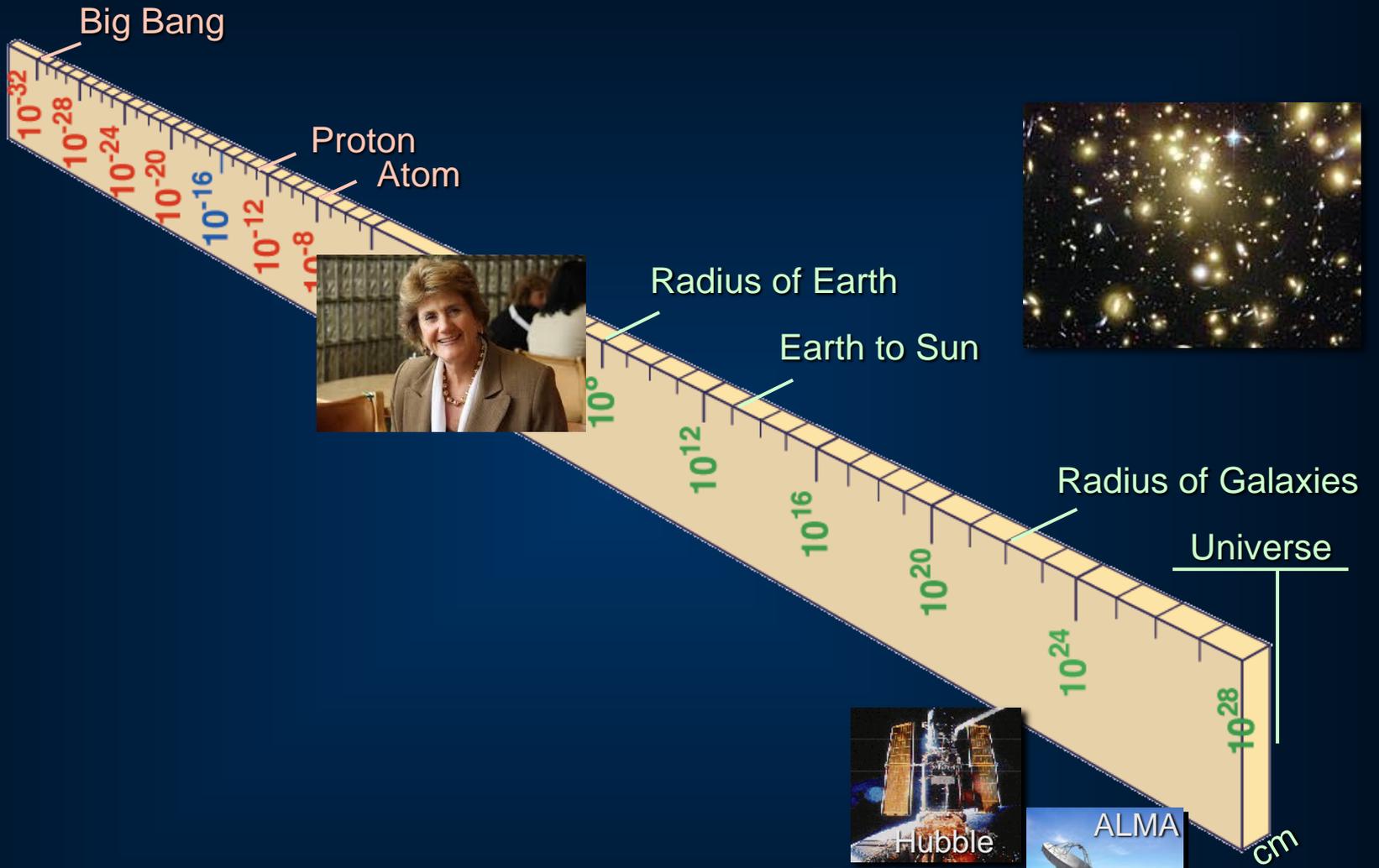
## ❑ Unite people from different countries and cultures



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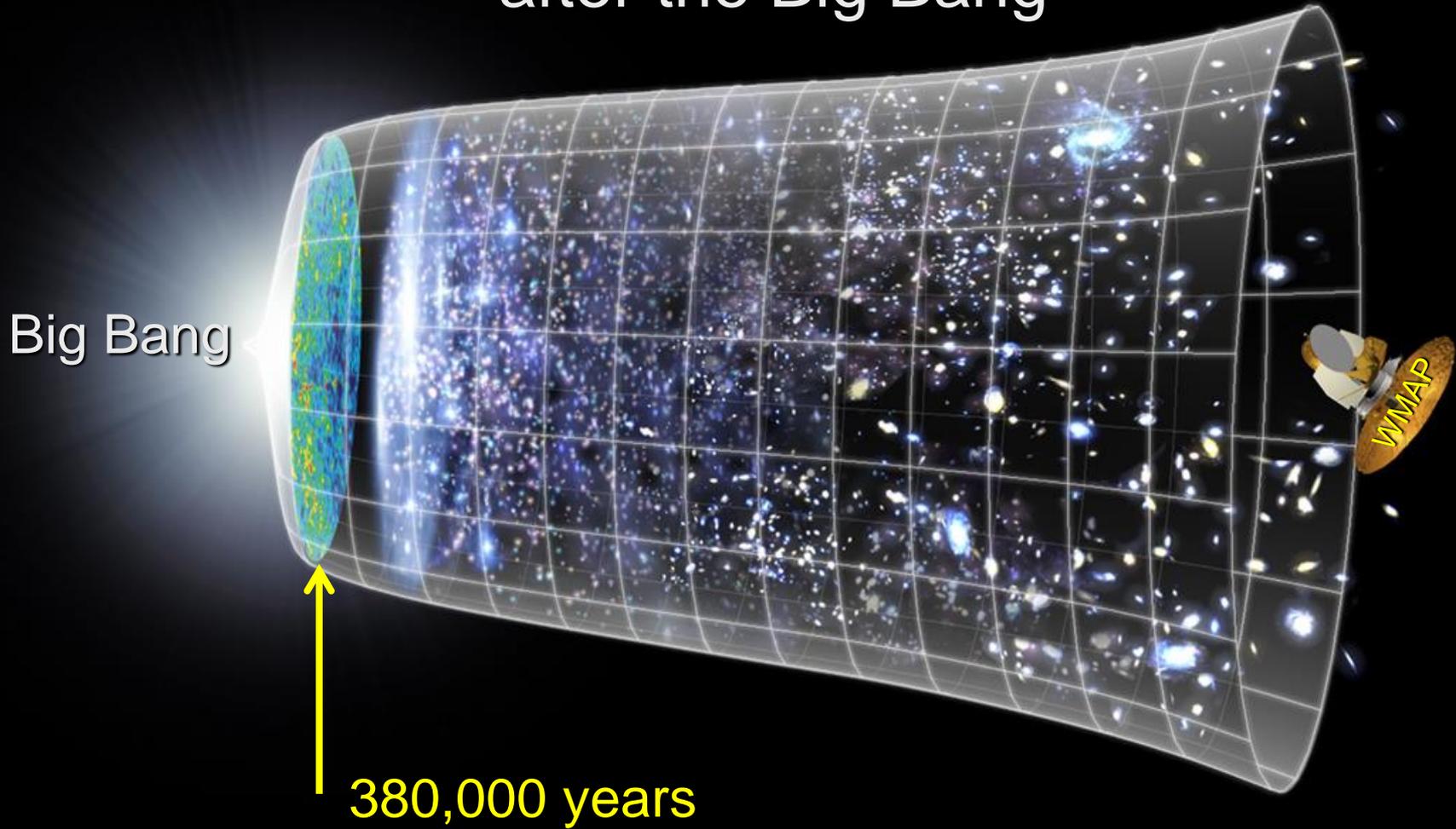
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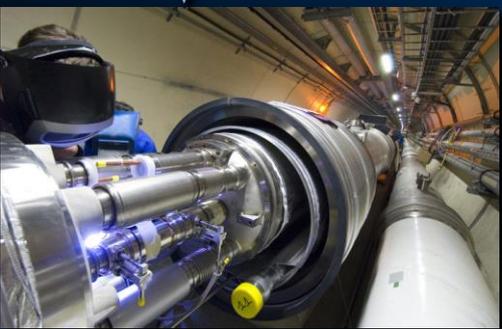
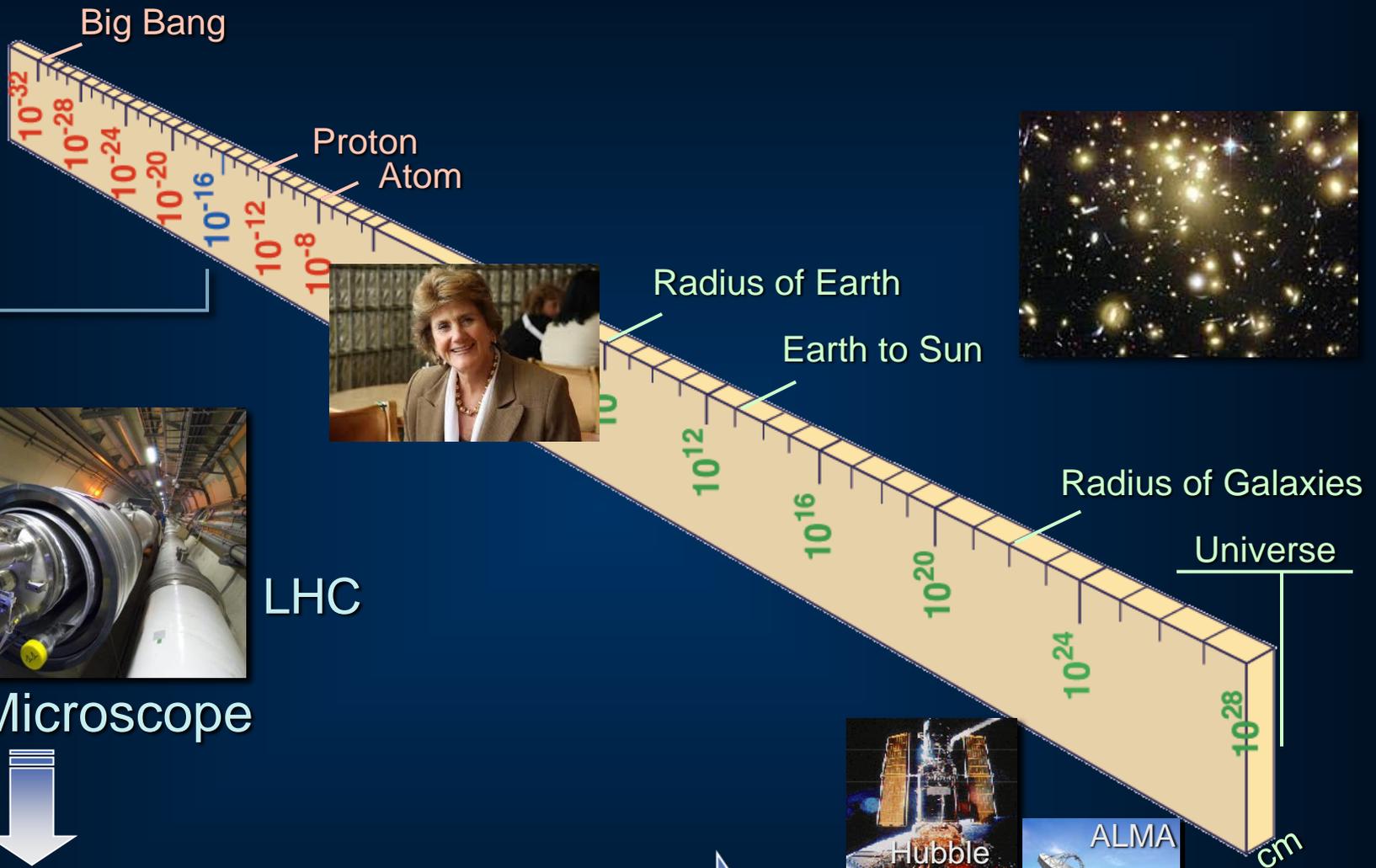




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Super-Microscope

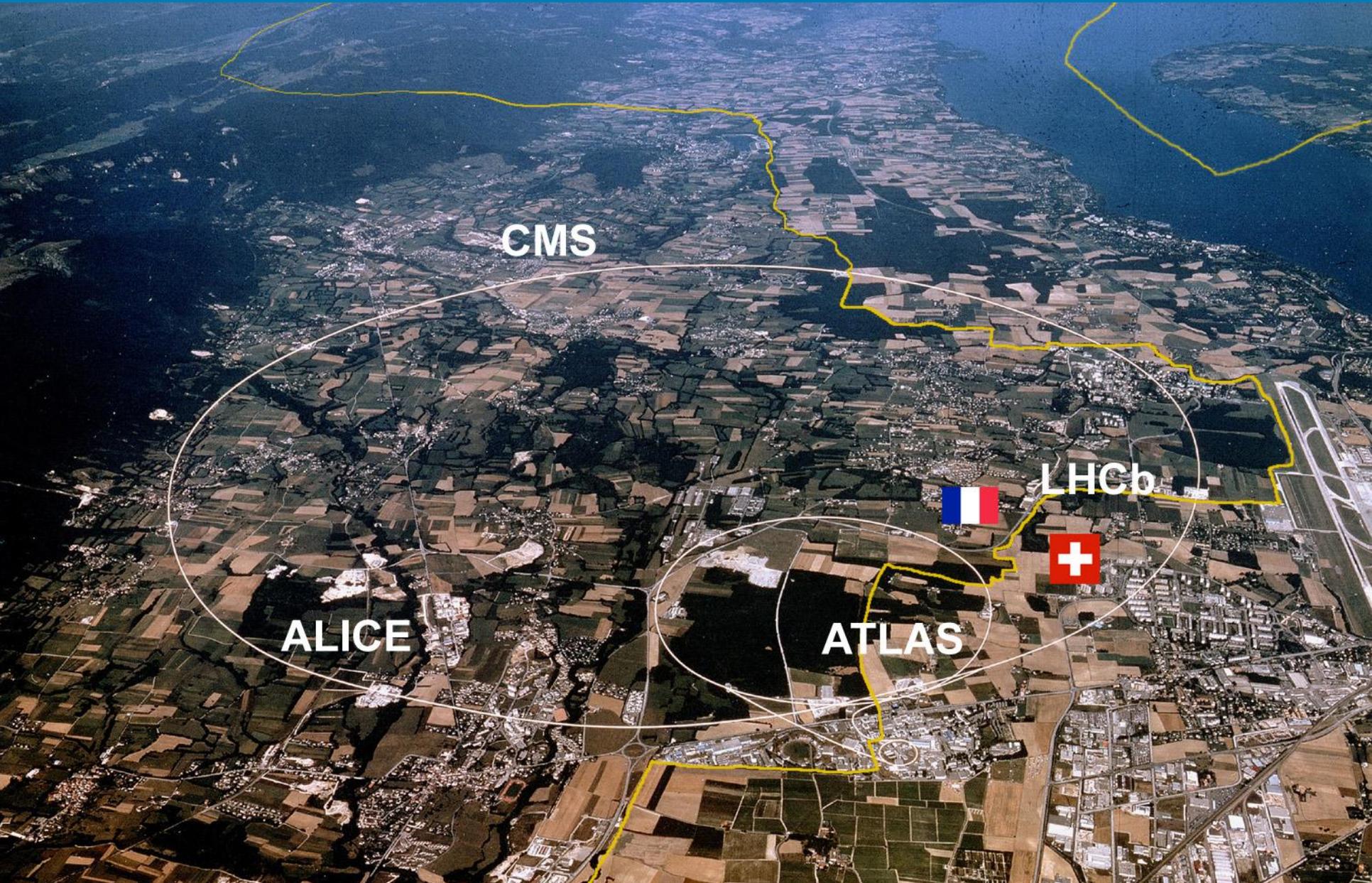


Reproducing conditions



Looking back





CMS

LHCb

ALICE

ATLAS



$$-D \nabla n = \vec{j}_{\text{diff}} \quad \text{Fick's law} \quad \frac{\text{current (density)}}{\text{number}} \cdot \frac{\text{Area time}}{\text{Area time}}$$

$$j_{\text{diff}} = (-e)(-D \nabla n) \quad \text{El. current} \quad \frac{\text{charge}}{\text{Area time}}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla \Phi$$

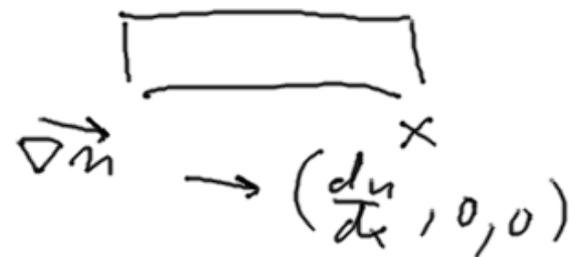
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$$\vec{j} = (n \cdot e) (v_{\text{drift}})$$

$$v_{\text{drift}} = \mu \cdot \vec{E} \quad \vec{j} = n e \mu \vec{E}$$

$$e D \nabla n + n \cdot e \mu \vec{E} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \frac{dn}{dx} = -\frac{\mu}{D} \left( -\frac{d}{dx} \Phi \right)$$



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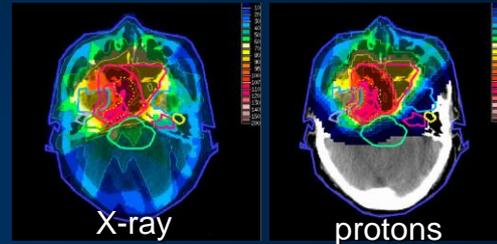
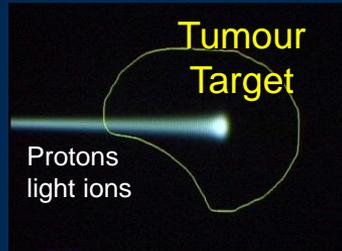
# Medical Application as an Example of Particle Physics Spin-off

Combining Physics, ICT, Biology and Medicine to fight cancer



## Hadron Therapy

Accelerating particle beams  
~30'000 accelerators worldwide  
~17'000 used for medicine



Leadership in Ion Beam Therapy now in Europe and Japan

>100'000 patients treated worldwide (45 facilities)  
>50'000 patients treated in Europe (14 facilities)

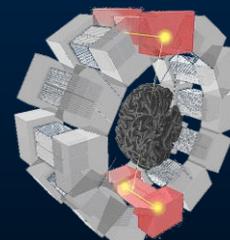


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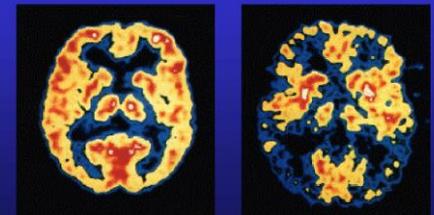
Clinical trial in Portugal, France and Italy for new breast imaging system (ClearPEM)



## PET Scanner



Brain Metabolism in Alzheimer's Disease: PET Scan



Normal Brain

Alzheimer's Disease

Detecting particles



# CERN Education Activities

## Scientists at CERN

Academic Training Programme



Latin American School  
Natal, Brazil, 2011  
Arequipa, Peru, 2013



## Young Researchers

CERN School of High Energy Physics  
CERN School of Computing  
CERN Accelerator School



## Physics Students

Summer Students  
Programme



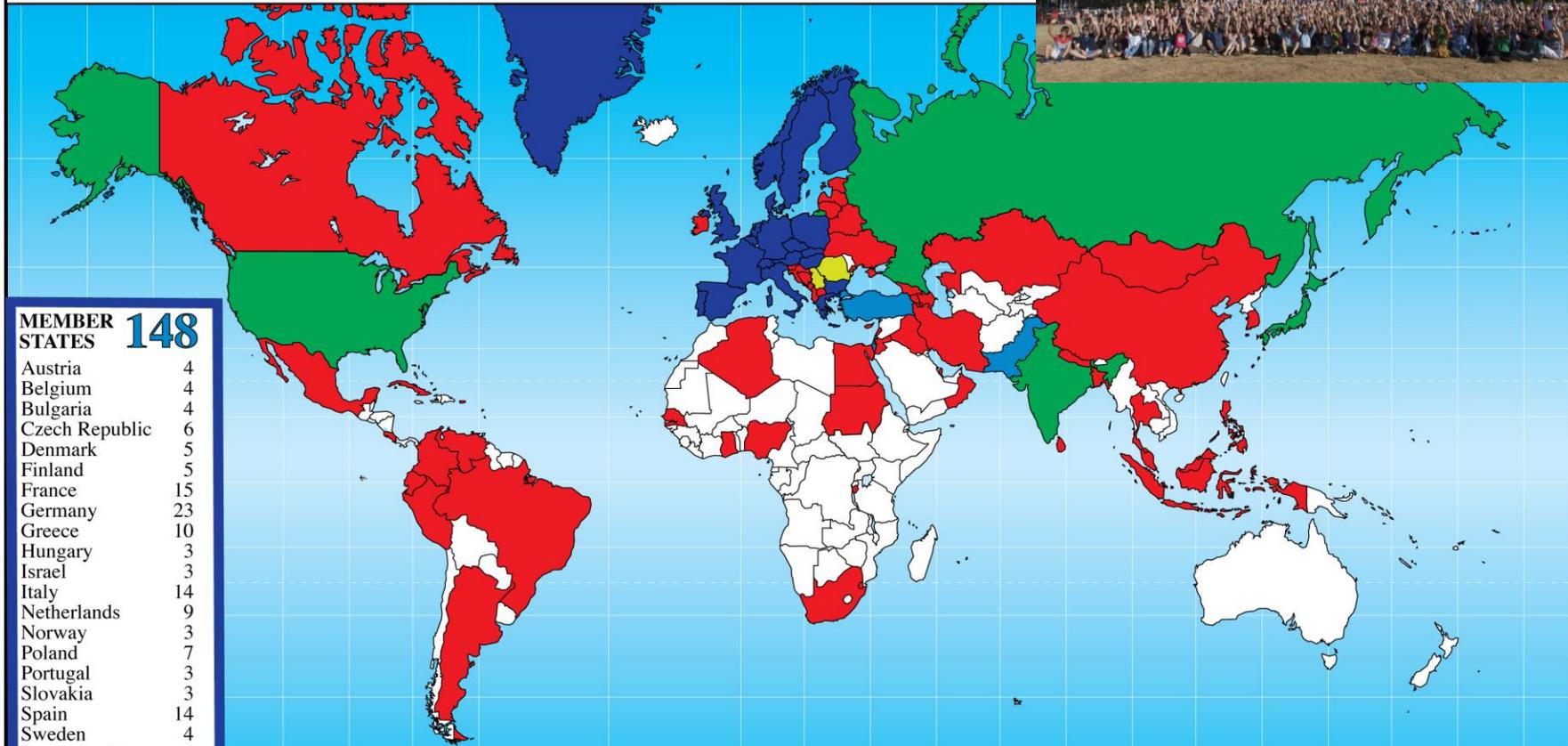
## CERN Teacher Schools

International and National  
Programmes

# Summer Students 2015



## Summer Students 2015



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Norway	3
Poland	7
Portugal	3
Slovakia	3
Spain	14
Sweden	4
Switzerland	1
United Kingdom	8

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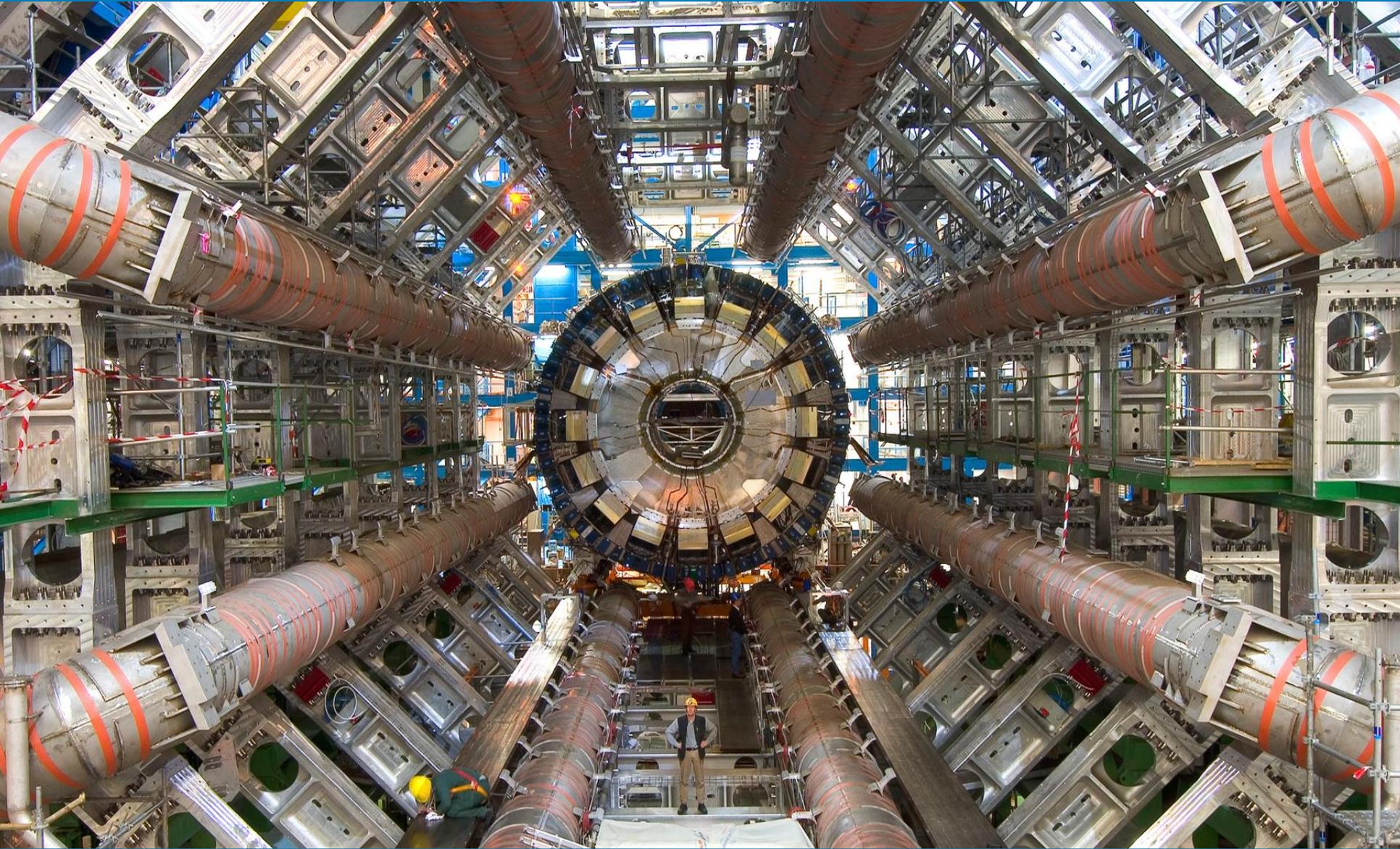
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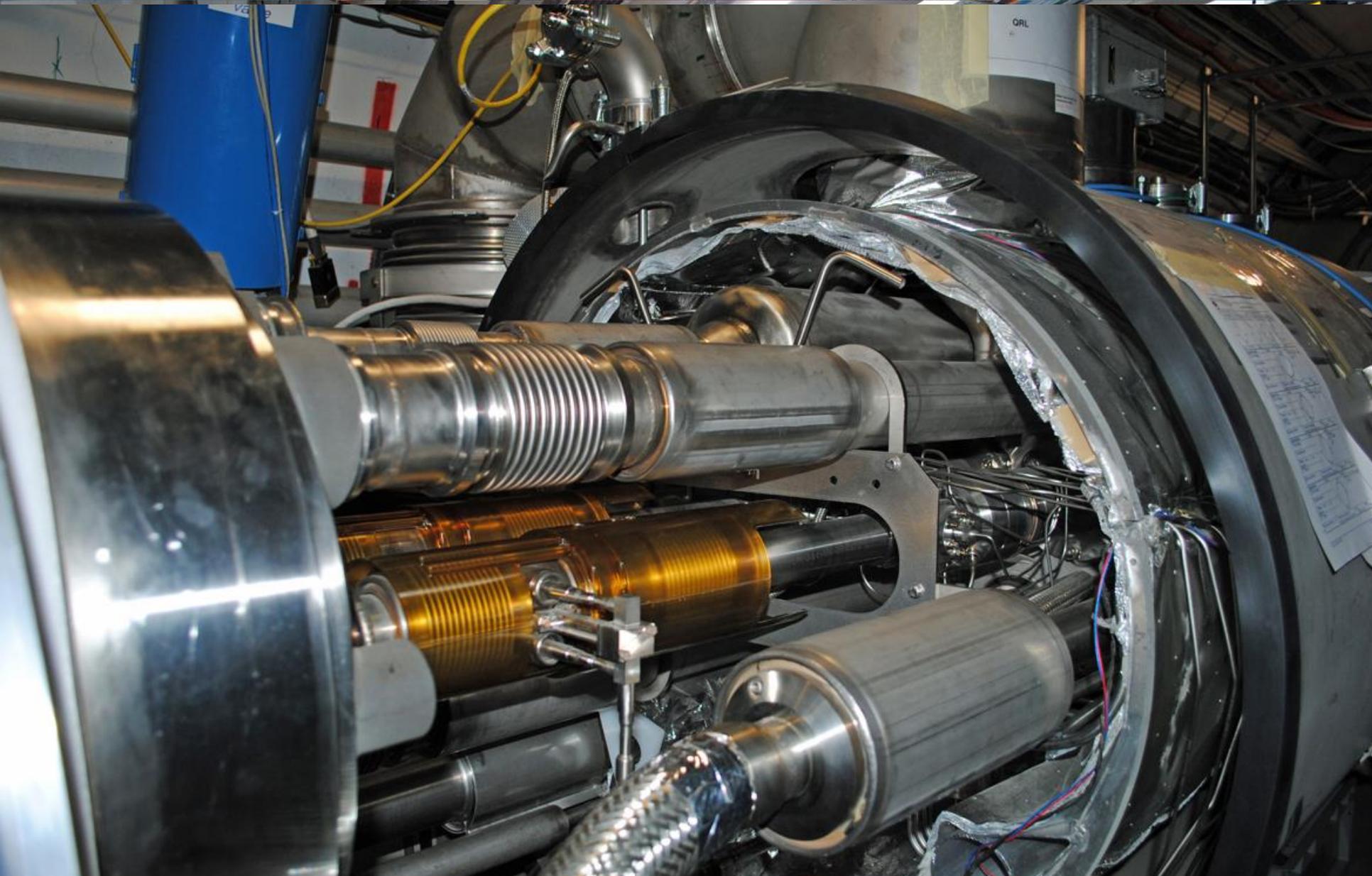
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Japan	4
Russia	9
USA	18

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## The birth of CERN

- **The CERN “parents”**

A group of farsighted **scientists, politicians, diplomats.**

- **CERN’s main objectives**

- . Resume the dialogue after World War II among former belligerent European Countries, and beyond.

- . Carry out **excellent** scientific programmes.



## The first 60 years of CERN

- **The CERN Convention (signed in 1953)**

*“The Organization shall have no concern with work for military requirements and the results of its experimental and theoretical work shall be published or otherwise made generally available”*

- **30 years later ...**

*“I hope that the scientists at CERN will remember that they have other duties than exploring further into particle physics. They represent the combination of centuries of investigation and study... to show the power of human spirit. So I appeal to them not to consider themselves as technicians ...but... as guardians of this flame of European unity so that Europe can help preserve the peace of the world. ”*

*Prof. I. Rabi, US (celebrations for 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of CERN, 1984)*



## CERN in a nutshell

- **Accelerators and infrastructures**

- . Under the financial & technical responsibility of the Organization.

- **Experimental collaborations**

- . Hundreds (thousands) researchers from Member States and non-Member States.

- . Autonomously organized, including finance; placed under DG's authority. Top-down and bottom-up approach.

- **The scientific programme**

- . Decided by Council on proposal by the Scientific Policy Committee



## **CERN SCIENTIFIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

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## The world of science

- . Inclusive by its nature.
- . Individuals are evaluated by peers based on concrete results.
- . Results evaluated by the international community; scientific method.
- . **Excellence** is required.
- . Results are achieved only if all participants share the **same objective**.



**. Excellence**

**. Trust**



## Science at CERN; the CERN model

- . A simple but strong Convention, excluding military applications.
- . Researchers from everywhere, including from non-Member States.
- . International experimental collaborations, where CERN is minority.
- . Open access philosophy, in all fields.
- . Inclusion: no barriers of nationality, age, religion, gender etc ...
- . Collaboration and competition : “**Co-opetition**”.
- . **Stay away from politics.**



## Science for peace and development

CERN is actively engaged to promoting:

- . The role of science for the sustainable development of society : knowledge; technology and innovation; education.
- . Science as enabler for dialogue and peace.





Observer status at the UN, Dec 2012



## CERN (and science) for Peace

In the recent years CERN organized:

- Various initiatives like conferences, workshops, with other partners (Governments, Academies, other international organizations).
- Event with the UN in Geneva on the CERN model for global public goods, including science for peace (*Geneva, Nov. 2015*).
- Event on “Science for Peace and Development” at the UN Headquarters in New York (*New York, Oct. 2014*).



*“CERN: Sixty years of Science for Peace and Development” - United Nations, New York, Oct. 2014*



## Science and diplomacy

. “Science diplomacy”: what does it means ?

. **Diplomacy for science:** CERN would have probably not existed and not developed as it did without diplomats. **And without Parliaments !**

. **Science for diplomacy:** science (STI) and education (STEM) can help policy makers, **including Parliaments**, to take sound decisions for the benefit of society, and can offers models of cooperation.



## Science and diplomacy *(cont.)*

*Two basic statements:*

**Science (STI) and (STEM) education are important elements for the sustainable, peaceful, development of society.**

**Cooperation models developed by the world of science can help fostering the dialogue and contributing to peace.**

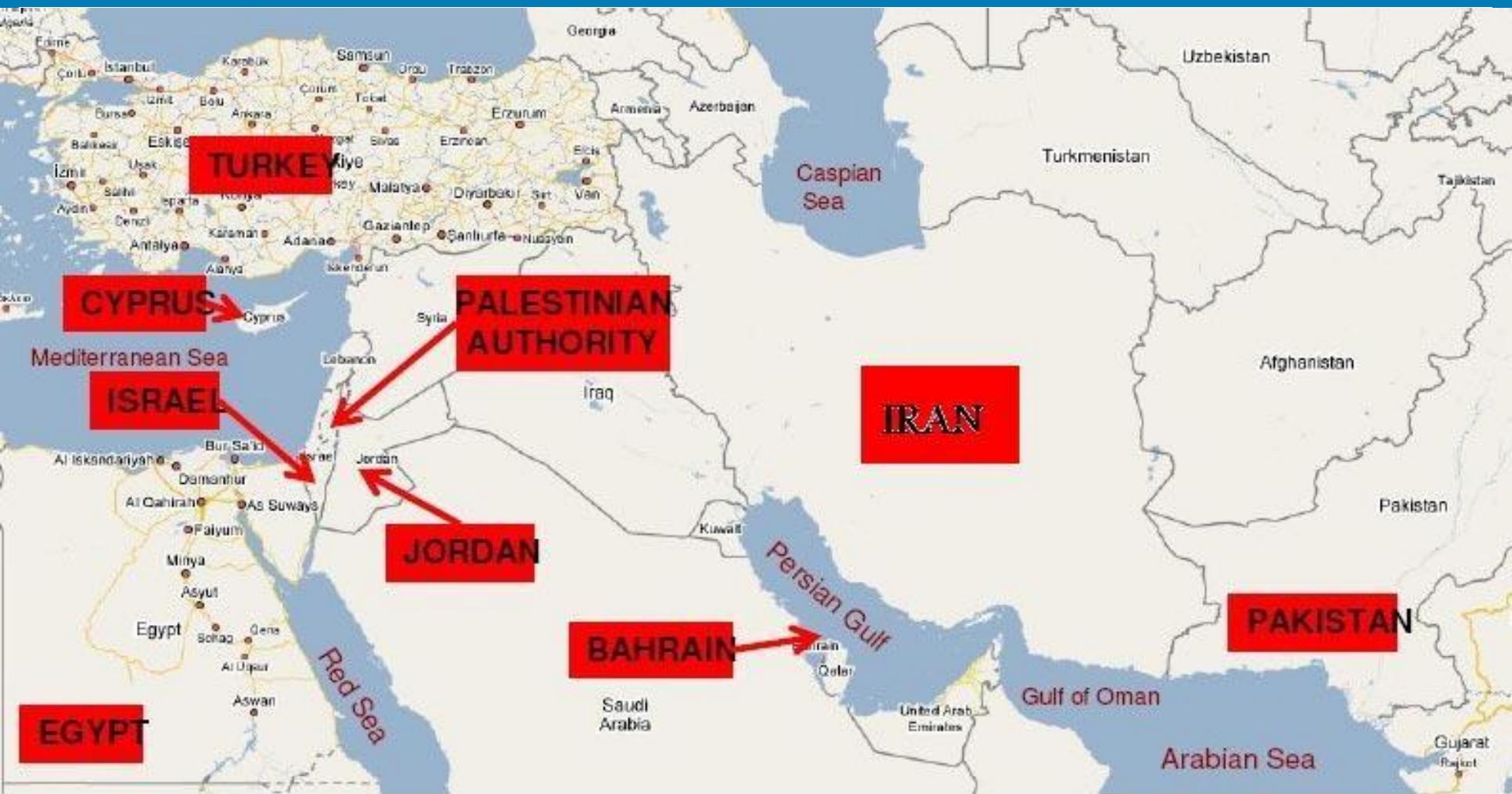
*Should these statements be agreed beyond the world of science, and in particular by Parliaments:*

**Parliaments can increase the effectiveness of their action as policy makers, and also help connecting the world of science with the other policy makers.**



# **SESAME - SYNCHROTRON-LIGHT FOR EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCE AND APPLICATIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

Amman, Jordan



# SESAME Members



## Teacher Training Schools

- . Target: high school teachers.
- . Goal: stimulate vocation of young people, in particular females, to invest in scientific university studies.
- . Modules originally developed for Member States teachers, progressively extended also to teachers from non-Member States.
- . Particular attention to specific regions, i.e. Africa with UNESCO.

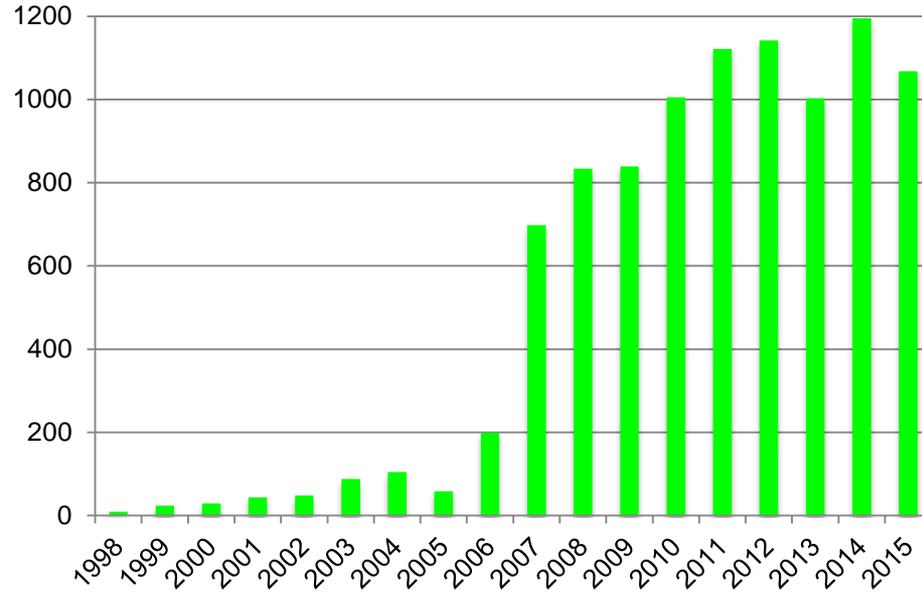


# CERN Teacher Programmes



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## Teacher Programme Participants 1998 - 2015 (Total: 9509)



MEMBER STATES	
Austria	177
Belgium	123
Bulgaria	455
Czech Republic	154
Denmark	199
Finland	498
France	314
Germany	902
Greece	671
Hungary	446
Israel	47
Italy	551
Netherlands	143
Norway	106
Poland	580
Portugal	386
Slovakia	222
Spain	441
Sweden	216
Switzerland	124
United Kingdom	1161

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS	
Pakistan	2
Turkey	161

OBSERVERS	
India	4
Japan	7
Russia	336
USA	97

CANDIDATES FOR ACCESSION	
Romania	14
Serbia	68

OTHERS	
Angola	7
Armenia	1
Australia	6
Azerbaijan	1
Bahrain	2
Belarus	3
Brazil	167
Burundi	2
Cameroon	4
Canada	8
Cape Verde	4
Chile	3
China	2
Costa Rica	4
Croatia	1
Cyprus	10
Dominican Rep.	45
Ecuador	2
Egypt	2
Estonia	66
Georgia	104
Ghana	6
Guinea Bissau	1
Iran	6
Ireland	8
Jordan	11
Kazakhstan	8
Kenya	4
Latvia	1
Lebanon	1
Lithuania	32
Madagascar	2
Malta	36
Mexico	14
Mongolia	1
Montenegro	14
Morocco	2
Mozambique	21
Nepal	2
New Zealand	2
Palestine (O.T.)	4
Qatar	1
Rwanda	20
Sao Tome	6
Saudi Arabia	1
Singapore	2
Slovenia	21
South Africa	7
South Korea	48
Swaziland	1
Taiwan	1
Thailand	12
T.F.Y.R.O.M.	12
Timor-Leste	9
Uganda	3
Ukraine	117
U.A.E.	1

**7916**

**82**

**444**

**904**





## **CERN-UNESCO Schools for Teachers from SESAME Member States**

- . One School for Teachers (and students) from SESAME Member States was held at CERN in September-October 2015.
- . Great interest to repeat the experience: discussions are ongoing for further funding.
- . Should money become available, 36 teachers/School can be trained.





## Science for peace: an exportable model?

- . In its 60 years of life CERN, with its model, was a positive example of a worldwide platform for dialogue and peace through science.
- . SESAME, based on the same model, is profiling itself as a platform in the Middle East for excellent science as well as for dialogue and peaceful cooperation.

### *Questions:*

- . Can these examples be exported to fields other than science?
- . Can such models and platforms be used to tackle and solve basic societal needs, like ensuring **water, energy, food** etc ... ?



## Some characteristics of science

- . Science is by its nature **neutral**.
- . Science promotes and requires **trustful** cooperation.
- . Science is one of the few real **universal languages**.

*Question:*

- . **Does science bring peace?**



# West-Eastern Divan Orchestra

*founded by Daniel Barenboim - Edward Said, 1999*

*Musicians from :*

*Syria*

*Turkey*

*Egypt*

*Israel*

*Excellence*

*Palestine*

*Jordan*

*Lebanon*

*Spain*

*Sharing the same objective*

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*Daniel Barenboim, Ramallah concert, August 2005.*



*Question:*

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*My personal answer:*

Science itself **cannot bring peace.**

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## Science for Peace School

(1/5)

- . The idea is based on CERN Schools, where international participants spend one or more weeks together, **learning** and **working** on specific topics.
  
- . Not a School just to talk about science and peace. It must be based on concrete goals, to start implement regional strategies for cooperation.
  
- . Main goals:
  - **learn** the models that science, technology and innovation can offer to **tackle** and **solve** specific regional/international problems.
  
  - get used to working together for the same objective.
  
  - start **working** on the possible solutions, and prepare the road map for their implementation.

## Science for Peace School

(2/5)

### . What

- A one-week School, possibly repeated during the year.
- Possibility to have Schools at different levels (basic; advanced).

### . Where

- In the Middle East Region or in Geneva.
- Follow-up in the Middle East Region, including implementation.

### . When

- As soon as money is made available.
- Planning: Class 1 in 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2018; Class 2 in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2018.

### . Who

- Students/young entrepreneurs from the region: ~ 2 per Country.

## Science for Peace School

(3/5)

### . Leader

- IPU

### . Partners

- High-innovation companies.
- High-level technology universities.
- Institutes for development and international cooperation agencies.
- CERN, for the scientific and technological support to IPU.

## Science for Peace School

(4/5)

### . **Class 1: experimental Class (water).** Main topics:

- Cooperation models offered by the world of science.
- Possible concrete solutions for water in the Region.
- Road map for implementation of the retained solution in the context of the Parliamentary Network on Water.

*Invited per Country: one young scientist from the national water Authority, plus a young representative from Administration (e.g. Parliament's Secretariat on water).*

### . **Class 2 and following (other themes).** Main topics:

- Cooperation models offered by the world of science.
- Science, technology, innovation: mechanisms to benefit the society.
- Identification of proposed solutions and relevant road map.

## Science for Peace School

(5/5)

### Next steps

1. Get the formal support of the Committee on Middle East Questions.  
*IPU Assembly of St. Petersburg, October 2017*
2. Set up a group of Partners, including those who can help IPU to finance the initiative.
3. Prepare a business plan, including budget for the first **three** Classes.
4. Elaborate in detail the content of the School(s), with priority for School 1.

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*For the water problem in the region:*

- . **Fly High! Define and support the main objectives** - in the interest of the local populations - that all parties have to work for.





**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !**

Israel – Strategic Player in Global Water Solutions

# Parliamentary Cooperation on WATER

**MK Dr. Nachman Shai**

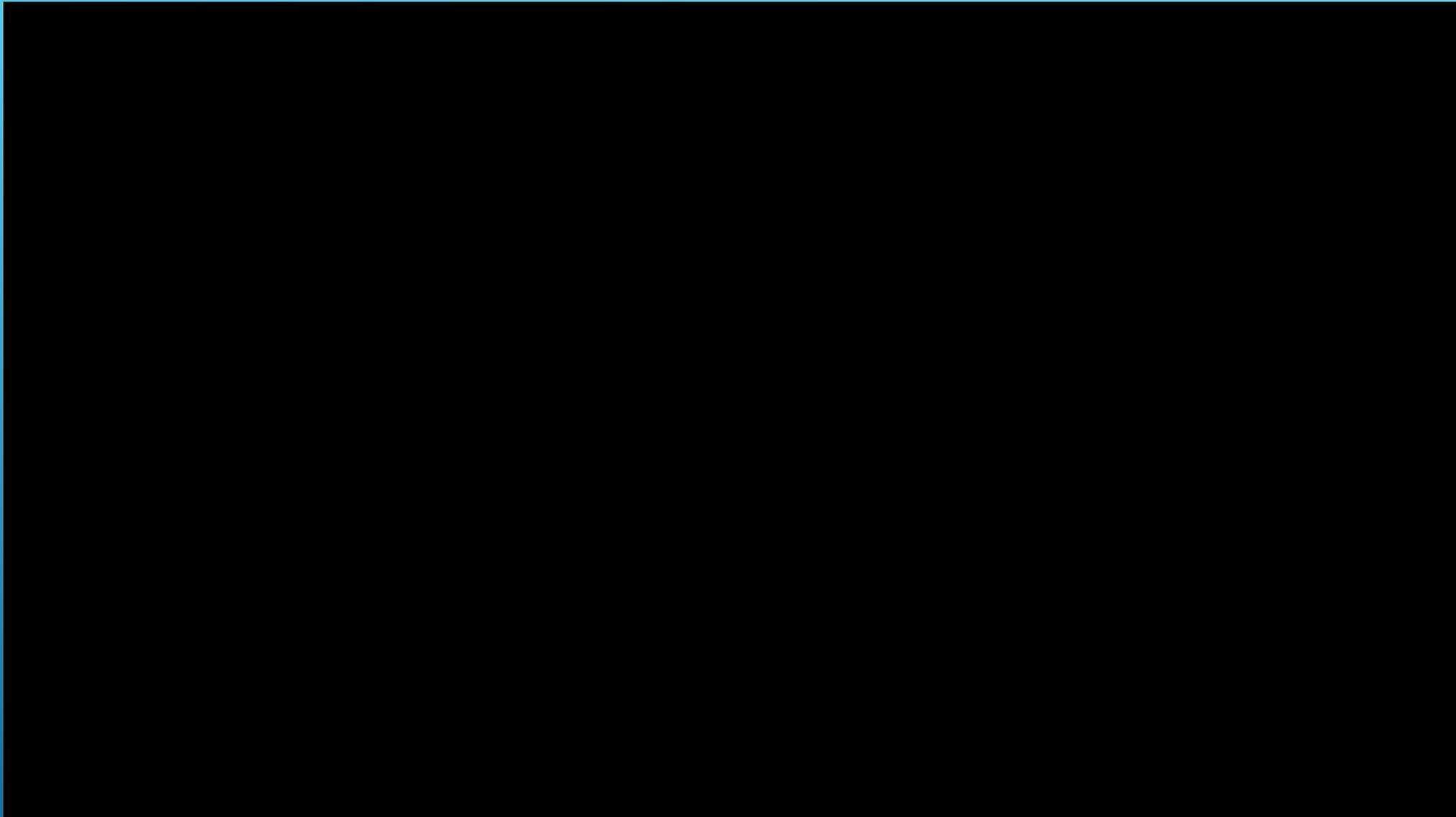


# Israel's Integrated Approach

- Centralizing water planning + strategy for improving efficiency
- Real water pricing
- Appointing regulators
- Educating citizens to conserve water
- Desalinating seawater
- Using advanced technologies (e.g., drip irrigation)
- Treating and recycling sewage

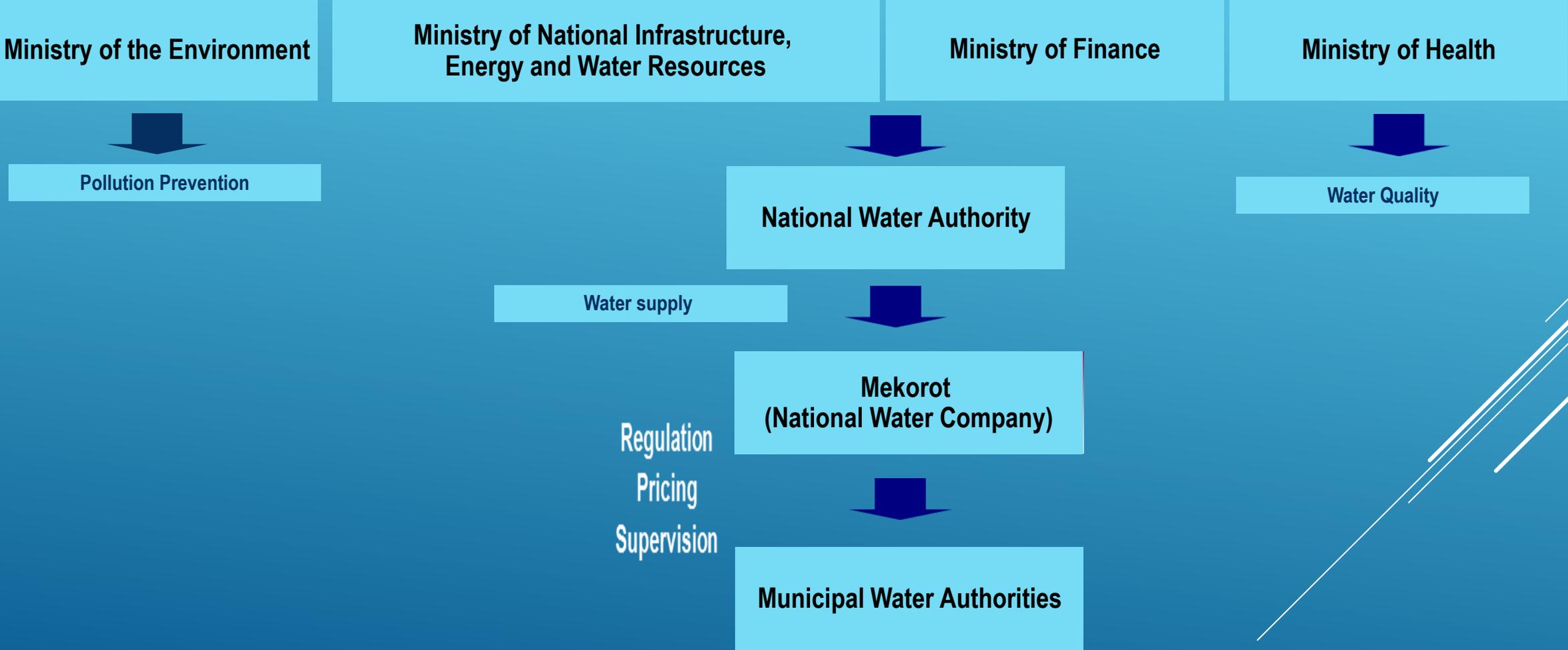


Shlomo Blass : Inventor  
of drip irrigation (1956)



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# Centralized water planning



# Water Pricing and Legislation

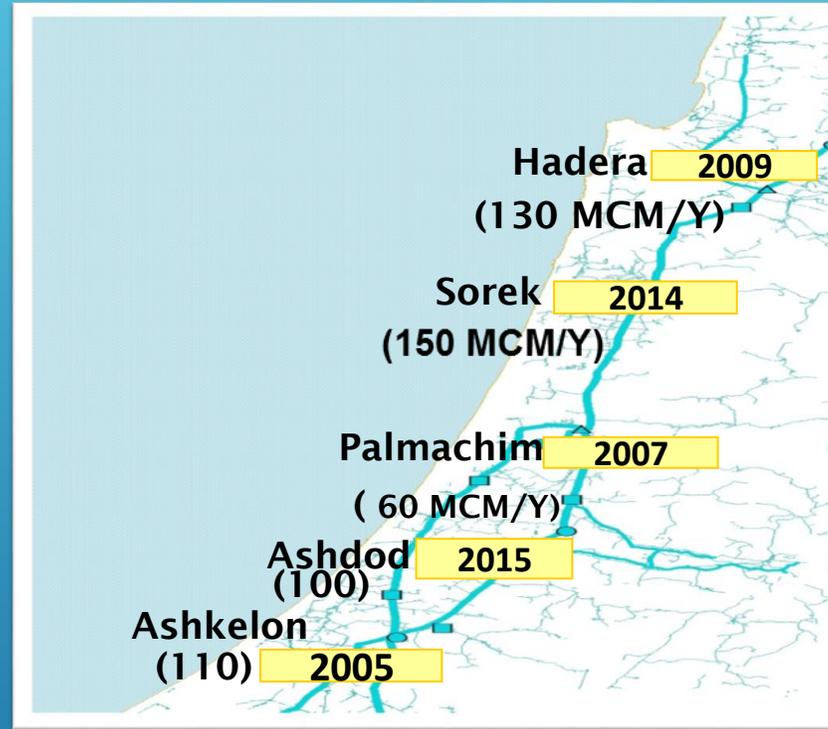
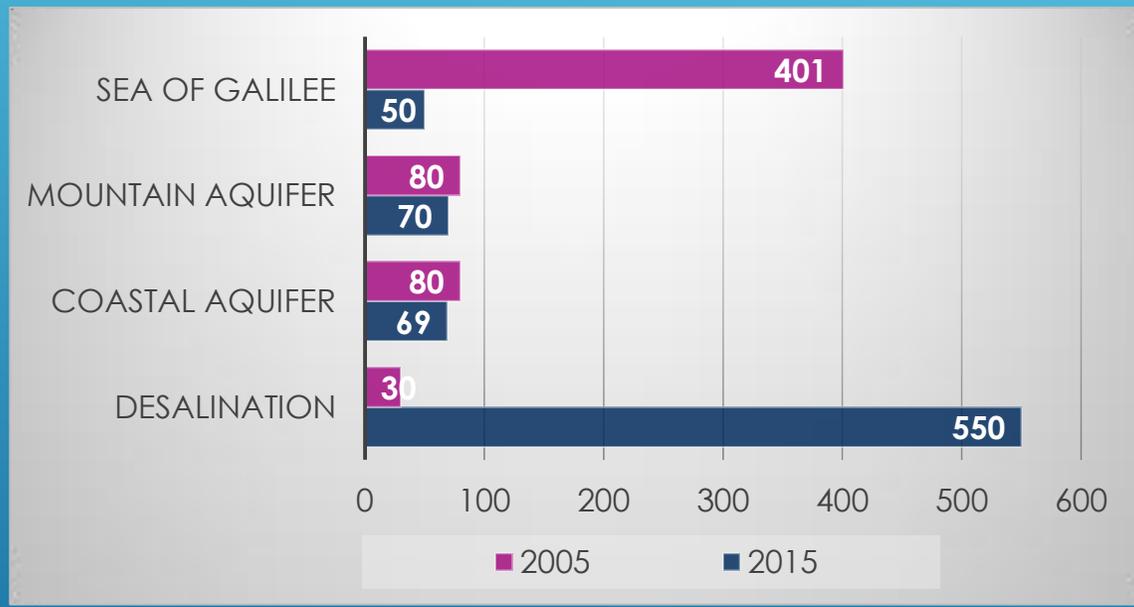
**Two key laws: Water Law – 1959 (amended 2006) & Water and Sewerage Corporations Law – 2001**

- 2006 amendment to Water Law created Governmental Authority for Water and Sewerage ("Water Authority")
- Inter-agency body: Ministries of Finance, Energy and Water, Environmental Protection, and Interior.
- Water tariffs are levied for all uses and at all stages of production.
  - Financed by self-financing, commercial debt, and subsidies.
- Domestic water rates charged by local authorities set by the Water Authority.
  - Progressive (increasing-block) rates
- Mekorot rates set by the Water Authority, approved by the Knesset's Finance Committee, and updated from time to time.
  - Categorized by use: domestic consumption and services, industry, and agriculture

# Desalination

Desalination plants supply 70% of household water consumption

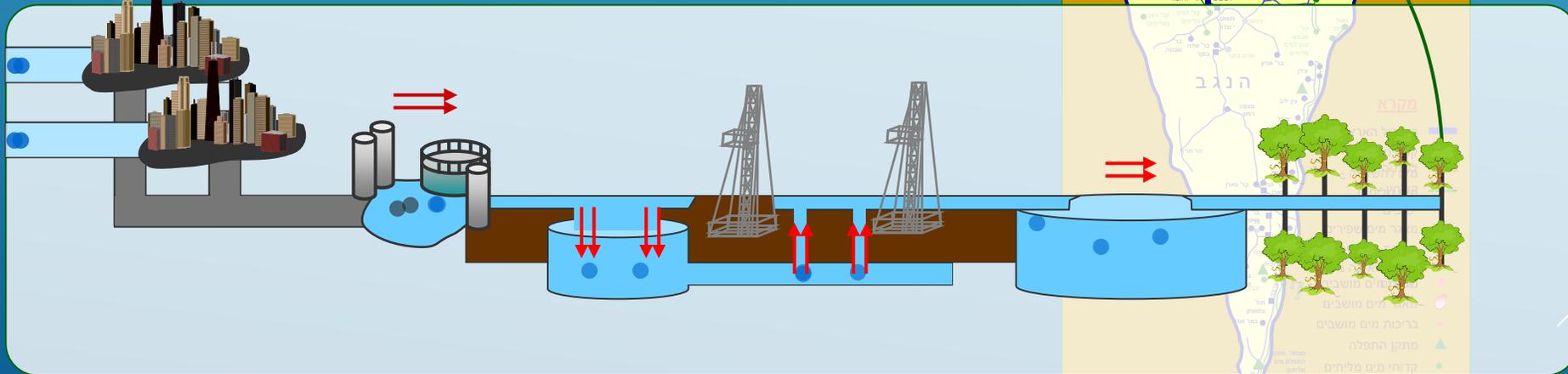
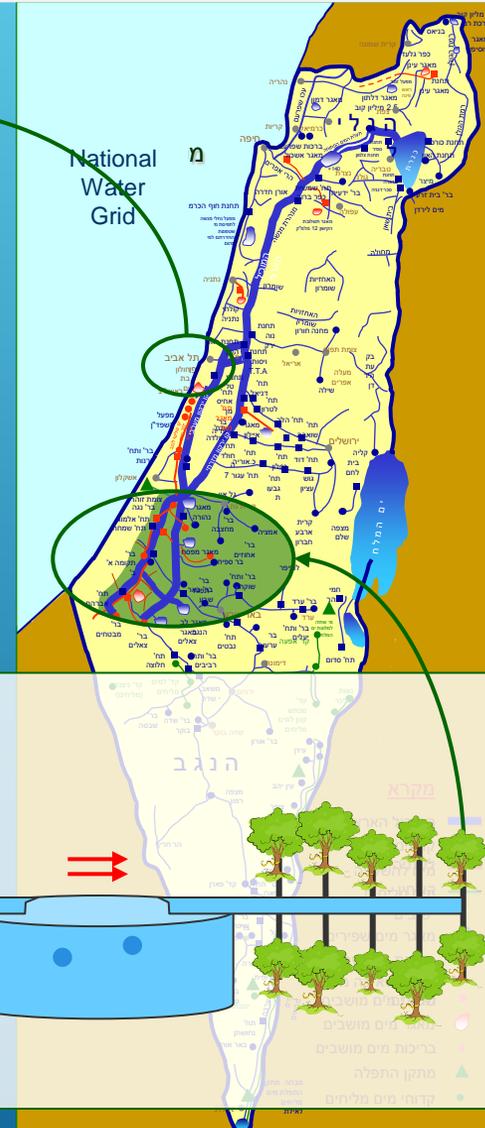
Sources of Israel's Water Supply (MCM/Y)



# Sewage Treatment

## Wastewater Treatment Plant (Shafdan) and the Pipeline to the Negev

- Sewage from the Greater Tel Aviv area – 125 MCM/Y
- 90km pipeline to Negev
- 32 pumping stations, operational storages and seasonal storages
- Final product used for Negev agriculture



# Strategic planning

National Master Plan for improving water consumption and efficiency for years 2010 – 2050.



*“A revolution has taken place here. A major national effort to desalinate Mediterranean seawater and to recycle wastewater has provided the country with enough water for all its needs, even during severe droughts. More than 50 percent of the water for Israeli households, agriculture and industry is now artificially produced.”*

—New York Times, 29 May 2015

Innovation Showcase – AIPAC

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f7-RSzKkT1s>



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# INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION

COMMITTEE ON MIDDLE EAST QUESTIONS

SECOND ROUND TABLE ON WATER

FROM WORDS TO ACTION

6 - 7 JULY 2017

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## **CASE STUDY OF MOROCCO**

By the Moroccan delegation

# SECOND ROUND TABLE ON WATER

## CASE STUDY OF MOROCCO

### I - INTRODUCTION :

Morocco lies in the west corner of North Africa. Out of its total area of 710.000 Km<sup>2</sup>, 95% is in semi-arid, arid and desertic areas. The mediterranean harsh and fragile climate, as well as the reliability on agriculture with a significant growing population which increased from 11 millions in 1960 to 35 millions inhabitants in 2014 makes Morocco at high risk of water scarcity and shortage. However, aware of the vital role and sensivity of water resources, and taking benifit from ancestral experience and human heritage as well as innovative solutions, Morocco is amongst the most advanced countries in the management and best use of water both for access and good sanitation. Thus it has committed itself in 1990 to SDG (MDG at that time).

Today, with its long experience, we can confidently say that Morocco can meet the challenge.

In this review, we shall deal with water law and policy reforms, access to water and good sanitation, the advisory body and planification of the sector.

## II - LAW AND POLICY REFORM :

These issues have gone through many changes and updates in the last two decades. The aim of such reforms was to make the best of the water resource, to ensure its availability and supply, its economy and sustainable use and the prevention of its pollution in all its sources. These reforms aim also to minimise the impact of associated risks and adaptation to climate change. This includes the implementation of a drought management program and a national programme for the protection against floods other measures imply updating of the 10-95 law in accordance to the new constitution implying the full right of citizens to water access and good environment. This includes also the promulgation of the new law 36-15 to ensure the rational use of water by various stakeholders and its preservation. The new law dictates also the set up of water shed councils to allow information supply and ensure the involvement of users within a contractual management framework.

## III - WATER ACCESS : WHAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ?

Since the early 19th century, Morocco involved itself in the search for an adequate water policy to fulfil its needs.

By the 1970s, he adopted a dynamic waterdam policy construction to accomplish self sufficiency both for drinking water and agriculture development. It should be noted that the country has a central water reservoir (the middle Atlas) from which rise most of the rivers, and a series of mountain chains of the Anti and High Atlas and the Rif. Besides the mountains, there are the Plateaus that contribute also to water supply. Morocco holds also a real network of rivers distributed over its entire territory.

Nowdays, the country has got 130 big water dams and over 100 small ones of which the capacity is estimated to be 17.2 billion cubic meter (BCM). The use of underground water is also customary especially

under harsh and xeric conditions. Traditional and other water storage systems are also used in many areas. The use of new technologies for sea water desalination have recently been used and are evolving gradually. About six desalination plants are planned some of which are in service. Their capacity amounts to 12.000 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The reuse of wastewater especially for green space irrigation is also practised in big cities.

This water policy resulted nowadays in 100% water access in urban areas and a very spectacular improvement in rural areas, from 14% water access in 1994, Morocco reached about 96% water access today.

In order to fulfil its SDD commitments and meet the challenge, Morocco has planned other actions :

- the construction of about 40 big water dams by 2030 with a 4.5 Million cubic meters capacity
- the desalination of 500 Million cubic meters of sea water by 2030 and the reuse of about 325 Million cubic meters of depolluted wastewater for the same period.

#### IV - ACCESS TO ADEQUATE SANITATION :

The quantity of wastewater produced annually in Morocco was estimated to be 700 Million m<sup>3</sup> in 2010 and is expected to reach 900 Million m<sup>3</sup> by 2020. 43% of the total amount is produced in coastal cities.

The access to adequate sanitation in urban areas is well advanced and covers 75% of the total urban area and it is expected to reach 100% by 2030. However, in rural areas, the rate of access to water sanitation remains very low and did not exceed 10% in 2015 but it is

expected to reach 100% by 2040 according to the national plan for wastewater.

The reuse of recycled wastewater is in its beginning today used mainly for gardening and golf fields. It is hoped to use 40% of the wastewater by 2030 mainly for green space irrigation and sport fields. Many research efforts are made to qualify the water for agricultural irrigation..

## V - INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK OF THE SECTOR :

This comprises the set up of sectorial planning body, regional institutions and other stakeholders of which we find

- 1- The Supreme Council for Water
- 2- The State Secretariat in charge of Water under the auspice of the ministry of Infrastructure, Transport, Logistics and Water
- 3- The water Bassin Agencies
- 4- The National Office for Electricity and Drinking Water
- 5- The Regional Offices for Agricultural Development
- 6- The Autonomous Agencies for Water and Electricity Distribution

## VI - TRAINING AND RESEARCH PROGRAMS :

Morocco has a long experience in training and research in the field of water management and utilities. The country houses leading specialized universities, high standard engineering institutes and schools as well as very renowned research institutions and laboratories in the subject matter. These institutions have been the

basis for human resources building capacity nationally and internationally. They are also the support for specialized research programs carried out by individual researchers or research teams a national level or in partnership with other world leading institutions from the USA, Europe and other parts of the world.

The various research programs involve conventional as well as new techniques of water management. These programs are related to.

- Means and tools of mobilizing surface and undergroundwater.
- Water economy and sustainable use of the resource
- Desalination of seawater
- wastewater treatment and reuse
- Innovative solutions to water access and sanitation
- Laws and policy reforms
- Etc

## VII – CONCLUSION

No doubt, water will remain for ever a vital resource. It is basic for life and water demand will ever remain increasing as it is used in all sectors of human life. This makes its good management, its best and rational use a necessity and a must. Morocco, due to its dry climate and owing to its long experience and ancestral heritage in water management is one of the few leading countries in water issues.

The various national programs on access to water and adequate sanitation and the different laws and policy reforms in the subject matter makes of the country a good example to follow. It allowed

the country to meet the SDDs and fulfill its commitments towards the international community. However, there still is a genuine need for exchange of experience and international cooperation.