

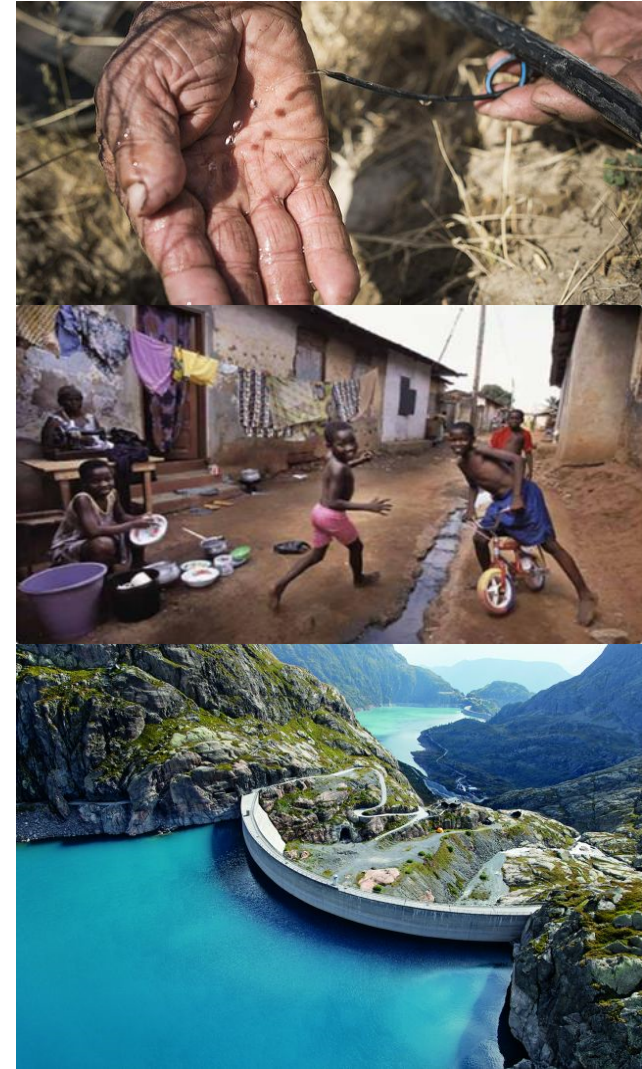
PARTNERING WITH THE WORLD BANK?

**FEEDBACK FROM THE SWP'S VISIT IN
WASHINGTON IN JANUARY 2015**

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Welcome and Introduction

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1) Agenda & Objectives of the Swiss visit to the WB



Swiss delegation

- **François Muenger**, former head of Global Programs Water Initiatives (SDC)
- **Olga Darazs**, chair of the Swiss Water partnership (SWP)
- **Christophe Jakob**, SDC secondee to World Economic Forum and WRG 2030

Meeting with Jörg Frieden and WB water staff:

presentation of:

- Strategic lines of **SDC's Global Program Water Initiatives** (GPWIs)
- **Swiss Water Partnership members' expertise** potentially interesting to WB

Participation at strategy workshop of WB's Water Global Practices (WGP)

- WGP Vision, objectives, organizational structure, knowledge architecture, leadership team, operational programme, Priorities and challenges
- Vision for the Water Partnership Program (WPP)
- The Water and sanitation program (WSP): integrating into the global practice
- Working across practices (Energy, Agriculture, Environment, Urban, climate change).

- **Present** SWP and the specific **Swiss expertise**
- Understand GPW, their needs and **identify** key topics and **entry points** for SWP
- **Propose support of Swiss expertise** through funding (provided by SDC for the WB GP, managed by SWP) covering the costs (travel and accommodation) of short term missions for Swiss experts on topics of interest for the WGP.



2) Context

World Bank Global Water
Practice (WGP) and
Switzerland as main partner

Vision

A Water Secure World for All

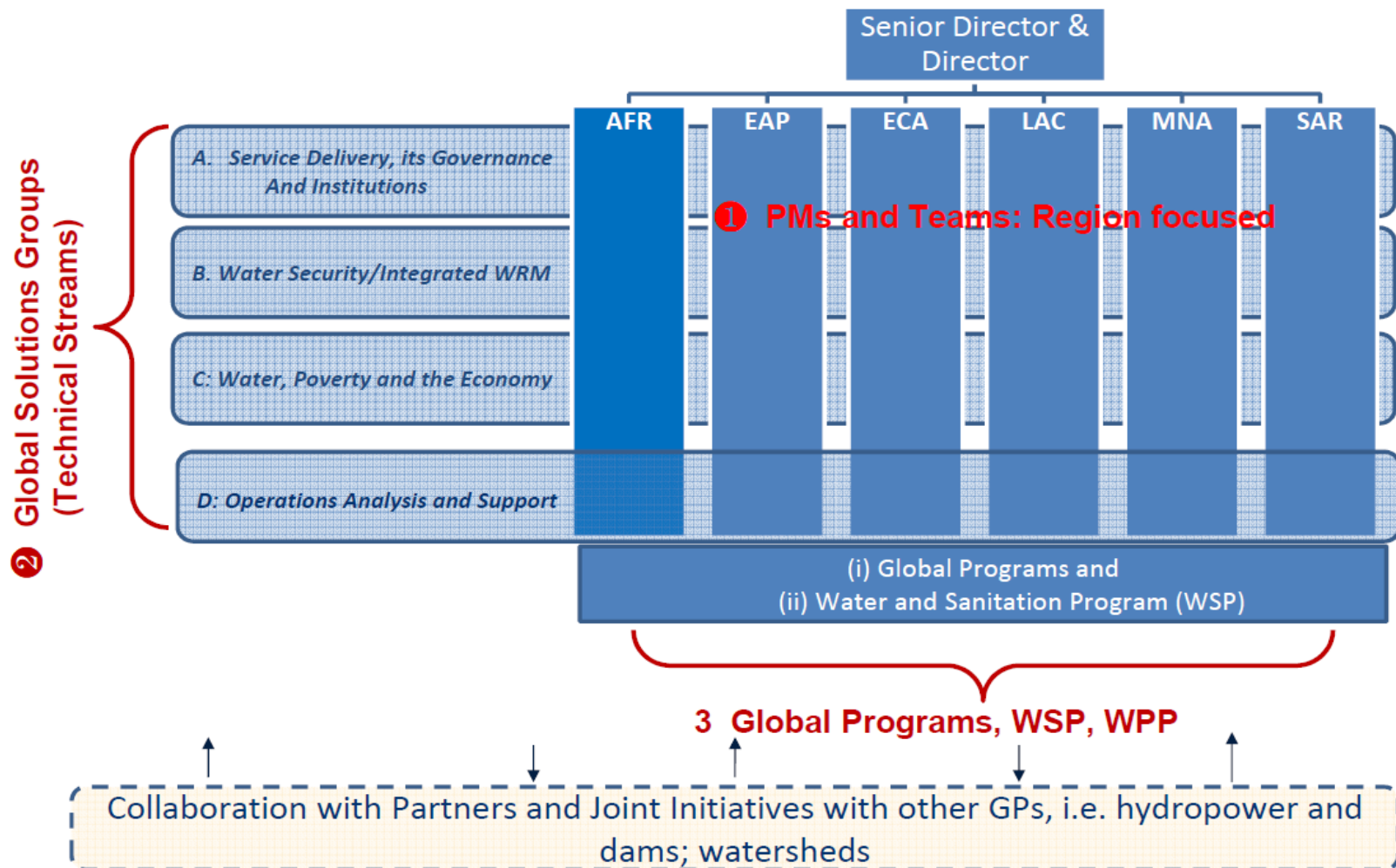
Mission

- End extreme poverty and promote shared prosperity by investing in effective and sustainable water solutions that enable **universal access and promote water security**
- **Implementing arm for the SDGs**

Delivery Structure

1. Region-focused: PMs and the Teams
2. “Global Solutions Groups” (Technical Streams)
3. Global Programs, **Water and Sanitation Program (WSP)**, **Water Partnership Program (WPP)**: Bank-donor partnerships supporting Regional PMs and the Global Solutions Group
4. **Collaboration with Partners** and joint operations with other GPs

Entry points



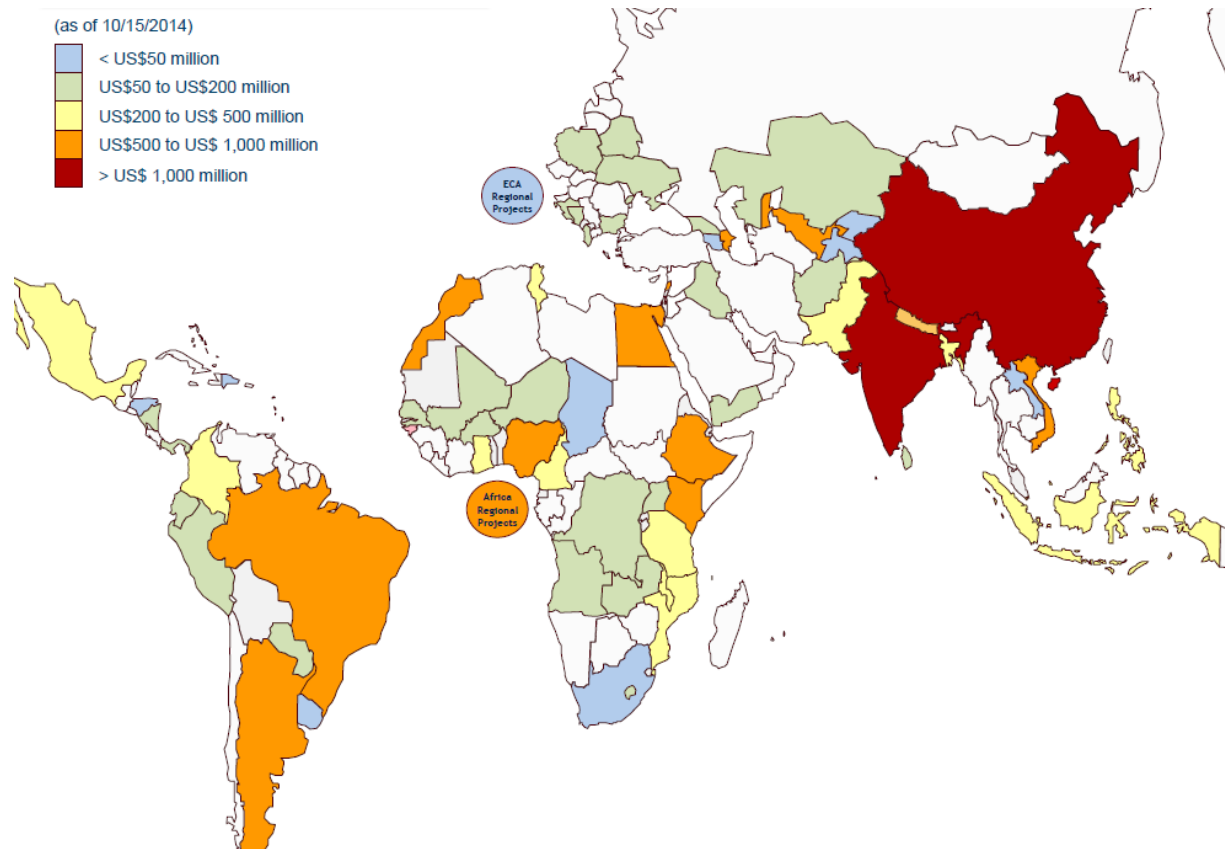
Global Solutions Groups are a core part of the WB strategy for **leveraging the knowledge and expertise** of the World Bank Groups of experts, **sharing lessons** across countries, and **shaping the design and focus** of the **operational portfolio**.

GSGs currently being developed

Global Solutions Group	Mandate	Key Expertise Areas
<div>1</div> <div>Service Delivery its Governance and Institutions</div> <div>Water Supply, Sanitation and Water Quality</div>	<i>Making services work for the poor</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Supply Sanitation & Hygiene Water Quality & Wastewater management
<div>2</div> <div>Water for Agriculture</div>	<i>Ensuring sustainable irrigation and improving water use efficiency in agriculture</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water for Agriculture / Irrigation
<div>3</div> <div>Water Security and Integrated Resource Management</div>	<i>Managing water systems efficiently and sustainably and enhancing resilience</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> River, basin & delta management, including trans-boundary Groundwater and aquifer management Resilience: droughts, floods and scarcity management Sustaining urbanisation Hydrology and hydraulic infrastructure
<div>4</div> <div>Water, Poverty and the Economy</div>	<i>The role of water (and water analytics) in sustainable development</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribution of water to the economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poverty eradication and shared prosperity Economic competitiveness Data, Analytics, RAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water databases, Impact Evaluation Future areas including scenario analyses Support on RAS
<div>5</div> <div>Operations Analysis and Support</div>	<i>Enhancing the operational impact of the Water GP</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality Assurance of the portfolio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project quality assessment Metrics and Reporting Enhancing implementation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring excellence in project design Integrating lessons from operations, AAA, Global Solutions Groups

Switzerland and the WB generally and WGP in particular

- Switzerland became a **member of the Bretton Woods Institutions in 1992.**
- It has since chaired a constituency which includes Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Poland, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and (in the World Bank) Uzbekistan. On behalf of this constituency, **Switzerland holds one of the 24 seats on the Executive Boards of the IMF and World Bank (currently represented by Mr. Jörg Frieden)**, respectively. It participates actively in both institutions and thereby codetermines their course of policy.
- Switzerland is one of the four countries considered by the bank as a potential key **partner and friend of WGP**



3) WGP Key priorities

WGP trends by Region

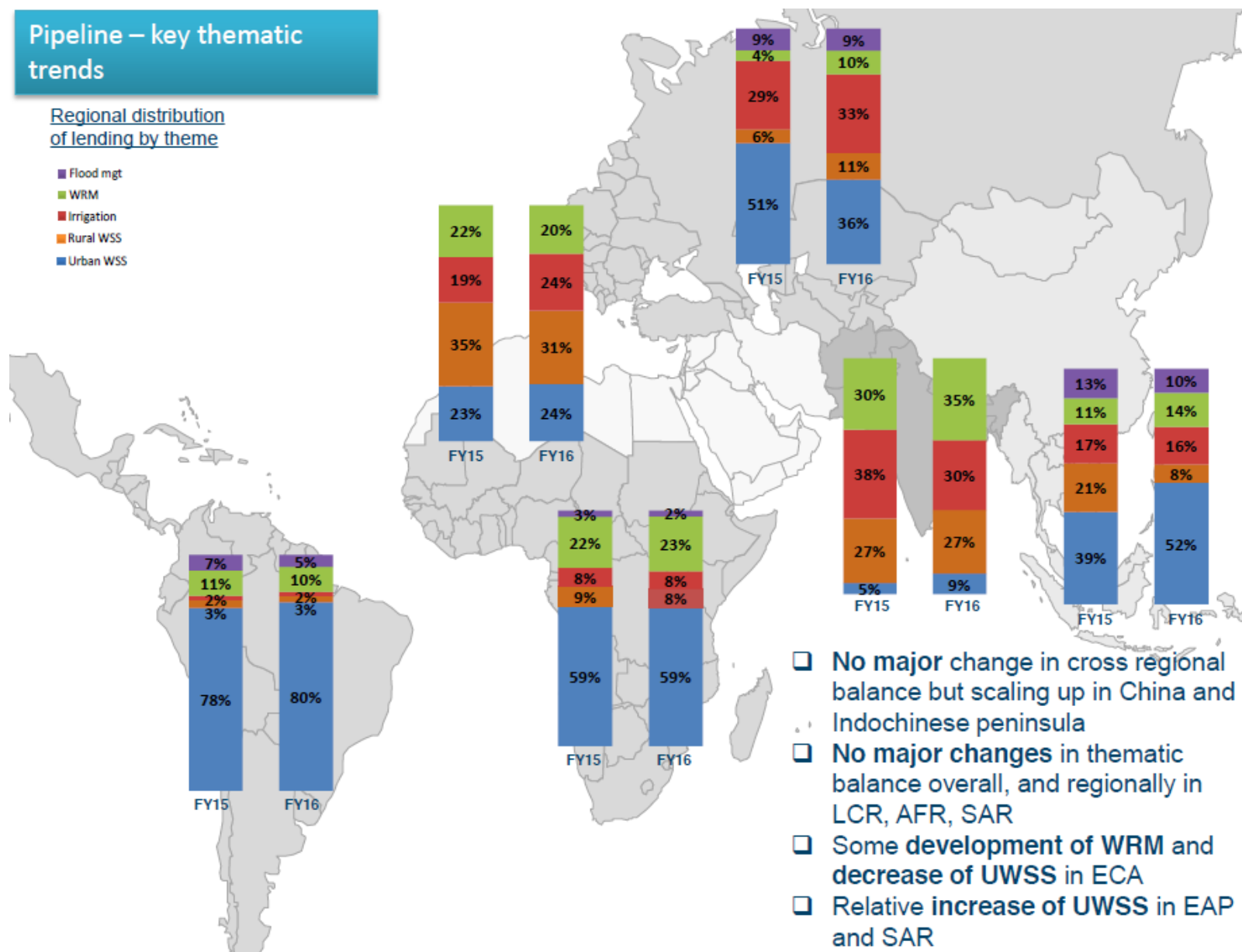
- Africa: **urbanization** challenge, regular presence and field contacts very important, **institutional reforms** mandatory, WB support for better **governance** asked by some countries.
- MENA: increasing **gap between supply and demand**, integrated approach necessary, dealing with extreme scarcity: knowledge on **best practices/ innovation**, utilities learning from each other.
- Europe/Central Asia: Investments in **infrastructure**, access to **sanitation** (access to water mainly not an issue).
- South Asia: resources problem/ **quality** problem, river clean up in urban areas, **sanitation of big cities**.
- East Asia: **water scarcity** (main challenge), rapid **urbanization** and industrialization, **climate resilience** issues (big coastal cities), in China water scarcity management.
- Latin America and Caribbean: **integrated solutions for larger cities**.

WGP key thematic trends by region

Pipeline – key thematic trends

Regional distribution of lending by theme

- Flood mgt
- WRM
- Irrigation
- Rural WSS
- Urban WSS



- ❑ No major change in cross regional balance but scaling up in China and Indochinese peninsula
- ❑ No major changes in thematic balance overall, and regionally in LCR, AFR, SAR
- ❑ Some development of WRM and decrease of UWSS in ECA
- ❑ Relative increase of UWSS in EAP and SAR

WGP trends by theme (applicable to all regions, though demand may vary substantially)

1. Dams and hydro-management: coordinated planning (water and energy)/ trans boundary, multipurpose infrastructure
2. Utility management (south - south learning)
3. Water resources mapping and monitoring (including groundwater)
4. Trans boundary river basin management (Blue peace)
5. Climate change (floods and droughts) and resilience
6. Urban water/ groundwater (subsidence)
7. Involvement of the private sector in water (fill the gap in financing)



4) Water Global Practice

Global programs:

- Water and Sanitation Program (WSP)
- Water Partnership Program (WPP)

Water and Sanitation Program (WSP)

- **WSP is a multi-donor partnership**, part of WB's WGP, supporting poor people in obtaining affordable, safe, and sustainable **access to water and sanitation** services.
- WSP works directly **with client governments** at the local and national level in **25 countries** through regional offices in Africa, East and South Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, and in, Washington D.C.
- WSP is the **innovative** arm of WGP and **shares best practices** across regions and sectors through selected partnerships.



Water and Sanitation Program (WSP)

WSP works on six core topics:

1. **Scaling Up Rural Sanitation and Hygiene**: develop and institutionalize large scale, sustainable rural sanitation programs.
2. **Creating Sustainable Services through Domestic Private Sector Participation**: scale up the technical and financial capacity of the domestic private sector to help poor people gain sustained access to WASH services.
3. **Supporting Poor-Inclusive Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS) Sector Reform**: “fixing the institutions that fix the pipes.”
4. **Targeting the Urban Poor and Improving Services in Small Towns**: improve water supply in dense (peri-)urban areas, and small towns through pro-poor policies
5. **Adapting Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS) Delivery to Climate Change Impacts**: develop institutional mechanisms and capacities and inform policies on climate-related impacts on water and sanitation for the poor.
6. **Delivering Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS) Services in Fragile States**: strengthen policies, capacity, and infrastructure for sustained WSS services

A core part of WSP's strategy over the next five years will be to **continue its country engagement and capacity building work in its current portfolio of countries**, with a special focus on a subset of **flagship countries** where clear opportunities exist for **scaling up** impact in partnership with the WB operations. WSP will also broaden its country engagements to **include additional countries** in regions where it currently works, and to expand to the Middle East, North Africa and Central Asia.

The new vision for the WSP also includes a **primary leadership role** in the Service Delivery Global solutions group (GSG) of the World bank Water Global practice as well as **water and poverty work** under the Water poverty and the economy GSG.

Water Partnership Program (WPP)

- The **Water Partnership Program (WPP)** is a **multi-donor trust fund** established in 2009 supported by the governments of the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, Denmark and Austria.
- The WPP enables the World Bank to bring **innovation and leverage investment in water**, to drive change in global policy dialogue and to strengthen the results of its projects.
- The WPP works at the **nexus of water with food, energy, environment, and human development** needs to help countries achieve **climate-resilient and inclusive green growth**.

Water Partnership Program (WPP)

- WPP funds activities that strengthen World Bank projects through **innovative analytical work, capacity building, innovation and knowledge.**
- It can fund activities in **all World Bank client countries and on all water areas**, such as Water Resources Management, Water Supply and Sanitation, Irrigation and Drainage, Water for Energy, and Environmental Services.
- With WPP's \$23.8 million first phase ending June 2012, the World Bank launched **Phase II**, a bolder and larger effort **to help countries become resilient to climate change through better water management and water services.**

WPP Phase I (2009-12)

- \$23.3 million
- 225 activities
- 64 countries supported

WPP Phase II (2012-16)

- \$45.1 million
- 94 activities*
- 44 countries supported* -
See map 1

**as of June, 2014*

Phase II:

- Introduces a **new multi-year and multi-sector focus on strategic deltas, basins and countries**.
- Includes specialized global programs on
 - i) **Disaster Risk Management**, to improve water hazard-related management of disaster risk, and
 - ii) **Remote Sensing**, to promote the use of relevant technologies in water resources management.
- Supports a flagship initiative on the **water-energy nexus**, to help countries understand trade-offs and synergies between the two sectors and plan investments.
- Includes a new Results Framework to measure progress and impact.



**5) Where can the SWP
help ?**

Context: **How to align in the most efficient way the different dimensions of the WGP matrix** (regions/ global solutions/ global programs) **and of the WB organization** (other Global practices : Agriculture, Environment, Energy, Urban, Climate change and other parts of the WB: IFC).

Key questions raised by the WGP:

- Integration of **knowledge** into the funding operations
- Integration of **learning** across the practice
- Identify elements for a **robust knowledge creation, dissemination, management and communication strategy**
- Identify and prioritize **best collaboration strategies** with internal and external partners (identify partners and niches)
- Identify the key elements of a robust **monitoring and evaluation** system

Context: SWP builds “clusters” grouping members around identified key thematic topics, according to their knowhow and expertise.

The objective would be to **build a specific and tailored “offer” for the WB**, addressing the identified needs of the WB and developing in an innovative way the **SWP members’ expertise**.

Following identified topics where highlighted by the WGP:

1. **Dams and hydro-management:** coordinated planning (water and energy)/ trans boundary, multipurpose infrastructure
2. **Water resources mapping and monitoring** (including groundwater)
3. **Trans boundary river basin management** (Blue peace)
4. **Climate change** (floods and droughts) **and resilience**
5. **Urban water/ groundwater** (subsidence)

Another topic discussed with the IFC was the **extractive industry (mining) and water**.

Support WSP and WPP entry points

- The **two main offers** could be **presented to WSP and WPP** (for example during their visit to Switzerland in May, and followed by a SWP delegation visiting Washington to present the offer)
- **WGP would then decide in which form the SWP offer could be structured** to provide the most effective support throughout the organization.



6) Next steps

Funding to support the Water global practice and the Swiss expertise

- The SDC has a project to support the water global practice through a fund covering the costs (travel and accommodation) of **short term missions by Swiss experts**.
- The objective would be to provide limited, targeted expertise through the Swiss Water Partnership. This component of the fund would be managed by the Swiss Water partnership, directly with SDC funding, responding to requests of the World Bank global practice.
 - The credit to create the fund has to be presented to the SDC following an internal procedure.
 - A MoU could then be signed with de WB (possibly by the end of summer 2015)

- WSP will be visiting Switzerland in May (Governing council): this could be an opportunity to organize a presentation of the SWP “offer”
- The objective would be to explore collaboration opportunities between the SWP and the WSP through the fund.
- The SWP members would build “Knowledge groups” to address the main areas of support identified.

Possible next steps:

- Build “clusters” grouping members around identified key thematic topics; call for interest to all members,
- Organize a presentation of the SWP offer to the WGP in May,
- Develop and consolidate an SWP offer : topics, targeted expertise,
- Obtain a feedback of the WB in form of a request and a prioritization of possible interventions,
- Organize a first mission of Swiss experts in 2016, and according to the needs of the World Bank, propose a planning of interventions for the 2016-2018 period.

7) Questions and Discussion



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