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At the General Assembly in 2014, a proposition to amend the statutes of the SWP was proposed and approved. In § 9 of the statutes, it is specified that the “The General Assembly shall have a quorum only when at least 50 percent of the members are present.” It was suggested to suppress this sentence, so that in the SWP General Assembly decisions are taken by a two third majority of the members present.

**General Assembly**

*The General Assembly shall have a quorum only when at least 50 percent of the members are present.* Ordinary meetings are convened by the Secretariat at least 4 weeks in advance.

*The General Assembly is presided by the chairperson or the deputy chairperson.*

*Decisions of the General Assembly shall be taken by a qualified majority of two thirds of the members present. In case of deadlock, the chairperson of the Steering Board shall have the casting vote.*
At the General Assembly in 2015, the following amendment was proposed and approved (revision of member fee structure, § 6, as follows in order to foster innovation):

- **Companies with more than 500 collaborators and Federal Offices:** 3000 CHF per year
- **Companies with 20 to 500 collaborators, Non-Profit-Organisations with annual expenses of more than 40 million CHF and Non-Profit-Umbrella-Organisations:** 1000 CHF per year
- **Small companies, consultants, small NPO’s and foundations, university institutes, etc.:** 500 CHF
- **Start Ups joining SWP within the first three years of their existence get one year of SWP membership for free**
**Vote:** Do you formally approve these two statutory changes as presented in the previous slides?

The Steering Board recommends the General Assembly to formally approve the statutory changes.
These two new members have joined the Swiss Water Partnership since last general assembly.

Vote: Do you approve the admission of these two new members?

The Steering Board recommends the General Assembly to approve admission of these new members.
The following members have unfortunately decided to leave the SWP since the last General Assembly:

- Quantis
- WirzSolar GmbH
- AF Consult
- Smixin
- W+S Consult
- Cap Santé
According to § 6 of the statutes, the membership fees are as following:

• **Companies with more than 500 collaborators and Federal Offices:** 3’000 CHF per year
• **Companies with 20 to 500 collaborators, Non-Profit-Organisations with annual expenses of more than 40 million CHF and Non-Profit-Umbrella-Organisations:** 1’000 CHF per year
• **Small companies, consultants, small NPO’s and foundations, university institutes, etc.:** 500 CHF
• **Start Ups joining SWP within the first three years of their existence get one year of SWP membership for free**

The General Assembly has the mandate to decide upon the annual membership fee.

**Vote:** Do you agree to keep the same annual membership fees as described in the statutes?

The Steering Board recommends to maintain the annual membership fee as described in the statutes.
D.2.4 Presentation of SB re-elections results

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<td>Votes Darcy Molnar</td>
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Darcy Molnar and Thomas Zeller are thus re-elected as members of the Steering Board.
Key activities

- Regular exchanges with the secretariat
- Two steering board meetings
- A one day steering board retreat (strategic orientation)
- Regular exchanges with SDC
- Lead / participation in Working Group Integrity
- Representation of the partnership at various occasions
  - World Bank / Water Global Practice strategy workshop in Washington
  - World Bank / WSP Council Meeting in Geneva
  - World Water Council General Assembly 2015
  - World Water Week
  - World Water Forum
  - NoWNET meeting in Stockholm
- Panel discussions and other events in Switzerland (e.g. OeMe)
Key products

- Long-term strategic orientation
- Review SWP proposal phase 2 (2015-2018) submitted to and approved by SDC
- Review Member acquisition strategy
- Review Manual co-creation and sponsorship
D.3 Key achievements 2015

- Consolidated long term strategy as a guiding document
- Membership development: very positive development
- Partnership development: good progress, very promising outlook
- Strongly enhanced visibility and recognition
- A number of cross-sector partnerships among SWP members
The Swiss Water Partnership at the World Water Week Stockholm 2015
D.3 Lessons learnt 2015

- Continue creation of **cross-sector partnerships**
- Ensure sufficient room for **informal exchanges** (Think Tank)
- **Stronger focus** on selected key activities / key themes
- Sharpen **communication**

SWP Income - Expenses 05.2012 - 12.2015 (CHF)

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SWP income (CHF) 05.2012 - 12.2015

- Membership fees
- SDC contribution
- Additional income

2012 (8 months): 25% membership fees, 75% SDC contribution
2013: 15% membership fees, 65% SDC contribution
2014: 20% membership fees, 65% SDC contribution
2015: 20% membership fees, 19% SDC contribution, 57% additional income

2012-2015: 15% membership fees, 64% SDC contribution, 21% additional income

Expenses 2015 (CHF)

- Dialogue: 4%
- Strong Swiss Voice: 59%
- Dynamic Learning: 9%
- Platform development, strengthen membership: 28%

The chart shows the percentage of expenditures by output for 2015.
**D.3.1 and D.3.2 Approval of annual and financial reports 2015**

**Vote:** Do you approve the annual report 2015 as sent ahead of the General Assembly?

*The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Annual Report 2015*

**Vote:** Do you approve the financial report 2015 as sent ahead of the General Assembly?

*The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Financial Report 2015*
D.3.3 Appointment of the independent auditor for 2016

The Statutes require the GA to appoint an independent auditor to review the annual financial report of the SWP. The Financial Reports since 2012 have been audited by TBO Revisions, an audit expert licensed by the Federal Audit Oversight Authority.

Vote: Do you agree to appoint TBO Revisions as official auditor of the SWP in 2016?

The Steering Board recommends appointing TBO Revisions again as official auditor of the SWP in 2016
D.4.1 Presentation of the main elements of the SWP mid and long-term strategy

LONG TERM VISION
A globally well recognized brand of high quality solutions for water security and the water platform in Switzerland

Knowledge Hub

- The SWP becomes a dynamic learning platform
- The SWP contributes to train and promote the new generation of water specialists
- The SWP regularly informs its members, in a targeted manner, on global water issues
D.4.1 Presentation of the main elements of the SWP mid and long-term strategy

LONG TERM VISION
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- The SWP as a think tank
- The knowledge and ideas are promoted internationally
D.4.1 Presentation of the main elements of the SWP mid and long-term strategy

LONG TERM VISION

A globally well recognized brand of high quality solutions for water security and the water platform in Switzerland

- The SWP creates the ground for innovative cross-sector projects to be implemented internationally
- The SWP brings cross-sector innovations and expertise where it is needed
- The SWP promotes the Swiss innovations and expertise internationally and feeds them into policy processes.
D.4.1 Presentation of the main elements of the SWP mid and long-term strategy

**LONG TERM VISION**
A globally well recognized brand of high quality solutions for water security and the water platform in Switzerland

- **Cross Sector Innovation Carrier**
- **Knowledge Setter**
- **Knowledge Hub**

**Dynamic Learning**
Learn, exchange, explore new trends

**Strong Swiss Voice**
Access international projects

**Water Dialogue**
Mobilize Swiss partners for global water issues

**Event management**
Represent Switzerland

**Platform development and management**
Market creation for Swiss player

**Organise knowledge exchange events**
Advocacy for global water issues

**Creating the ground for market creation**

**Strengthen membership base and partnerships**

**Global water communication and policy**

**Key activity lines**

**Objectives and vision**

**Value propositions**
Thematic activity cycle of the SWP

General Assembly
May 2016
- Announcement of the theme of 2017: “wastewater”
- Launch of working group with interested members
- If lack of expertise, additional partners (or new members) could be involved

Working Group Event
October 2016
- Discussion / think-tank space on the topic of “wastewater”
- Launch of thematic preparation for Stockholm
- Launch of thematic preparation for Geneva Event

World Water Day
March 22, 2017
- Event addressing the international Geneva, discussing the Swiss High Quality Solutions on the topic of the day which will be “wastewater”

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World Water Week
August 2017
- The theme of the conference usually the same as the one set by UN-Water
- Present in seminars and thematic events the reflection which were made since May 2016

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May 2019
- Announcement of the theme of 2020
- Launch of working group with interested members
- If lack of expertise, additional partners (or new members) could be involved

World Water Day
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- Event addressing the international Geneva, discussing the Swiss High Quality Solutions on the topic of the day

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Vote: Do you approve the action plan 2016-17?

The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Action Plan 2016-17

Vote: Do you approve the SWP Budget 2016?

The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Budget 2016
## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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Please come back to us if a training is missing
## Capacity Development Survey: identified gaps

**Topics related to water**

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**Topics non related to water**

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Please go to the board and vote for the topic you prioritize as the most relevant and indicate if you wish to attend a whole day event or a half-day event.
E) Breakout session: building a meaningful full future
### E.1 and E.2 Breakout Sessions

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F) Coffee Break
G) Feedback from breakout sessions and approval of potential new working groups
H) Special Topic: Dispatch on Switzerland’s International Cooperation 2017-2020
A world without poverty and in peace, for sustainable development
Dispatch 2017-2020
A joint commitment and complementary instruments

Joint Strategy
SDC SECO HSD

Humanitarian Aid (SDC)
Technical cooperation and financial aid (SDC)
Economic and trade policy measures (SECO)
Transition cooperation with Eastern Europe (SDC/SECO)
Measures for the promotion of peace and human security (HSD)

Synergies
In a nutshell

The Agenda 2030 as a framework of reference...

... And five accents that respond to an exceptional situation

1. Mitigate the consequences of crises and seek solutions to conflicts
2. Increase engagement in fragile contexts
3. Provide opportunities and promote inclusion to reduce poverty and inequality
4. Reduce global risks to ensure sustainable development
5. Mobilize all partners in order to achieve more sustainable results
Water is key to development: 200 million invested by SDC (175,2 millions) and SECO (24,8 millions) each year

How is it reflected in the five accents?
1. Mitigate the consequences of crises and seek solutions to conflicts

- Strengthen emergency humanitarian assistance: to assist and protect millions of refugees and displaced persons (Middle-East, Africa) notably with basic drinking water supply.
- Mobilize Switzerland’s expertise in terms of mediation, facilitation and good offices: for political solutions (Africa, Middle-East, OSCE region). Water as an instrument to promote peace

Examples:

- Humanitarian aid in South Sudan: Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) improving water supply for 100’000 people
- SDC and HSD in Iraq & Turkey: Blue Peace Middle East: establishment of intergovernmental mechanism between Iraq and Turkey (political track with) and activities on the ground in the Tigris & Yarmouk transboundary basins
2. Increase engagement in fragile contexts

- Increase Switzerland’s engagement in fragile contexts: to address the roots of fragility (access to basic services, including water access and water governance).

- Long term commitment: in order to find solutions for challenges such as social, economic and political exclusion, or the absence of the rule of law (water as a natural resource).

Examples:

- **SDC in Honduras**: Drinking water supply system as part of a national health plan. Close involvement of local civil society groups and decentralized sharing of responsibility.

- **SDC in Niger**: rural water supply program for 110,000 people in the departments of Maradi and Dosso (including pastoral and governance components as well as integrated water resources management).
3. Reduce **poverty** and inequality

- Create perspectives and opportunities for all:
  - Education and vocational training.
  - Dynamic, job-creating private sector → sustainable and inclusive growth
  - Gender equality

Examples:

- **SECO Water policy dialogue in Egypt with EAWAG**: Recommendations to improve sanitation in Nile Delta region and reduce up to 60% water pollution mainly through institutional measures

- **SDC in Chad**: Construction of 90 micro dams has raised the groundwater level, extended the period for growing vegetables and watering livestock, and benefited ~ 45’000 people.
4. Reduce **global risks** to ensure sustainable development

Examples:

> **Water Footprint standard:** SDC supported the development of an international ISO norm (adopted in 2014) that sets out rules for assessing the water consumption of a product or service over its entire life cycle and establishes mechanisms for working closely with governments and large enterprises to reduce the water footprint of production systems in Andean region.

> **SDC global programs** (climate change and environment, food security, **water**, migration and development, health): find solutions to solve global risks and support the poorest countries in their efforts to address such risks.

> **Strengthen environmental dimension**
5. Mobilize all **partners** in order to achieve more sustainable results

Examples:

- SECO supports the **World Bank global water practice** to improve sustainability of water infrastructure
- SDC in Vietnam: **Public-private partnership** with Nestle to reduce the quantities of water used for irrigating coffee plantations. Water saved = covers the needs of 2.5 million people
- **Swiss Water Partnership**

- **Strengthen partnerships**, particularly with the private sector, but also with NGOs and research institutions.
- **Continue multilateral cooperation**
- **Leverage role** (reforms at country level) and catalyst (mobilize resources).
Message 2017-2020

Political debate: What is at stake?

• ODA
• Humanitarian aid versus development cooperation
• Migration
Proportion of ODA accounted for in the Message

- 79% Framework credits
- 21% Not framework credits
Message 2017-2020
Switzerland’s Official Development Aid

ODA (2014) = 0.51% GNI

- DDC: 64%
- DSH: 14%
- SECO-WE: 13%
- SEM: 5%
- Autres Offices fédéraux: 1%
- Cantons et communes: 3%
Dispatch 2017-2020

Migration:

• The Dispatch is an appropriate response to challenges related to migration, in accordance with Switzerland’s international cooperation mandate

• Debate: To what extent can this contribution be further enhanced?
Message 2017-2020

Political debate: Next steps

National Council discussion in plenary
  -> 02 June 2016

Council of States discussion in plenary
  -> September 2016

Approval by Parliament
  -> By end 2016
Questions

Thank you for your attention
I) AOB
I) Aperitif

Thank you for the participation !!!