



**SWISS WATER
PARTNERSHIP**

General Assembly 2020

Bern, 17 September 2020

Program – General Assembly 2020

13:15-13:45	Presentation of SWP Youth and activities
13:45-14:15	Feedback SWP member survey and Check Mandate SWP
B) Statutory Part	
14:15-15:30	A) Opening (Olga Darazs, Chair SWP) B) Year of 2019: Key achievements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Approval of annual operational and financial reports 2019 ➤ Approval of independent audit 2019 C) The way forward: Presentation of Activities 2020-21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Validation of Action Plan 2020/2021 ➤ Validation of Budget 2021 D) (Re-) elections and approval new members
15:30-15:45	Coffee Break
C) Breakout Sessions	
15:45-16:00	E) Introduction to 3 Breakout sessions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Flagship Initiative "Position paper" 2) Flagship Initiative "Rotational internship for young professionals" 3) 2021 UN Water Theme "Valuing water"
16:00-17:00	F) Break into sessions (World Café, 3 groups; 1x 30, 2x 15 min)
17:00-17:15	G) Feedback from Breakout sessions (5 min per group)
17:15-17:30	H) AOB + Closing (Olga Darazs, Chair SWP)
17:30-18:30	Aperitif



Introduction

General Assembly
September 17th, 2020

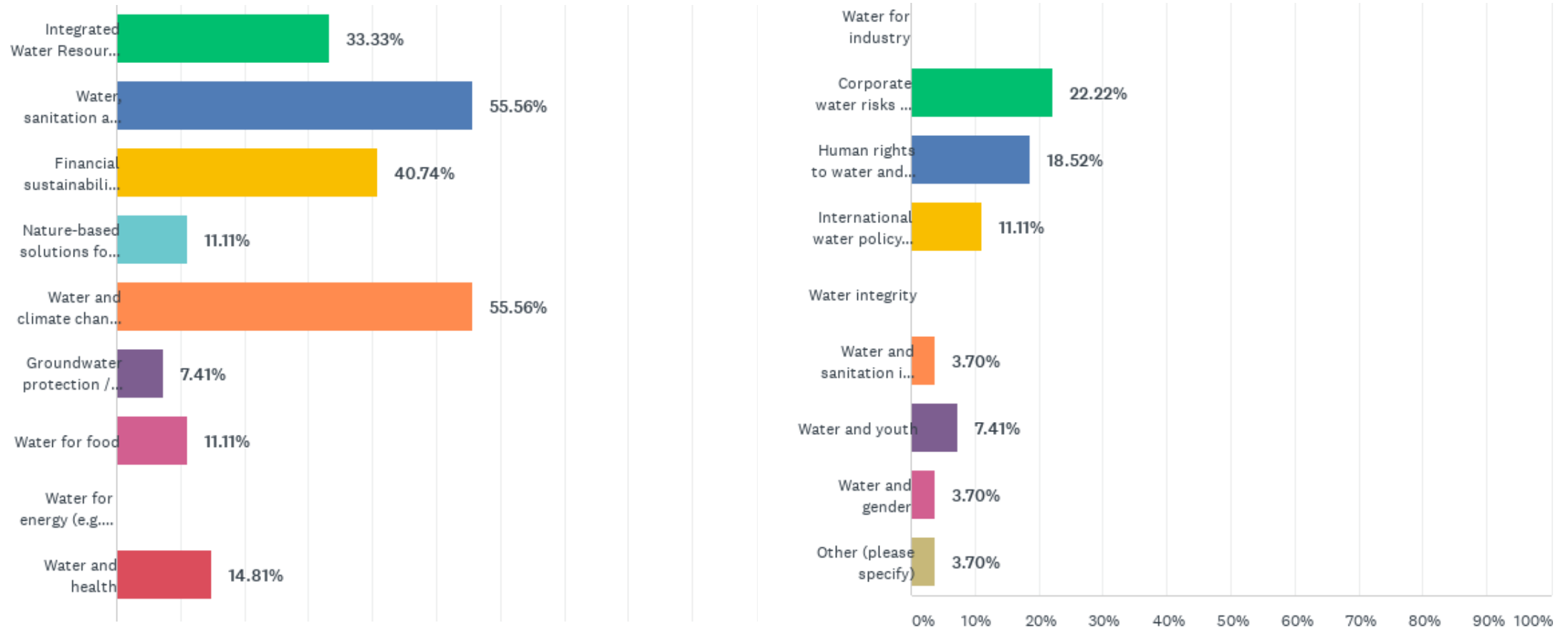


SWP Member Survey 2020

July / August 2020

27 Responses

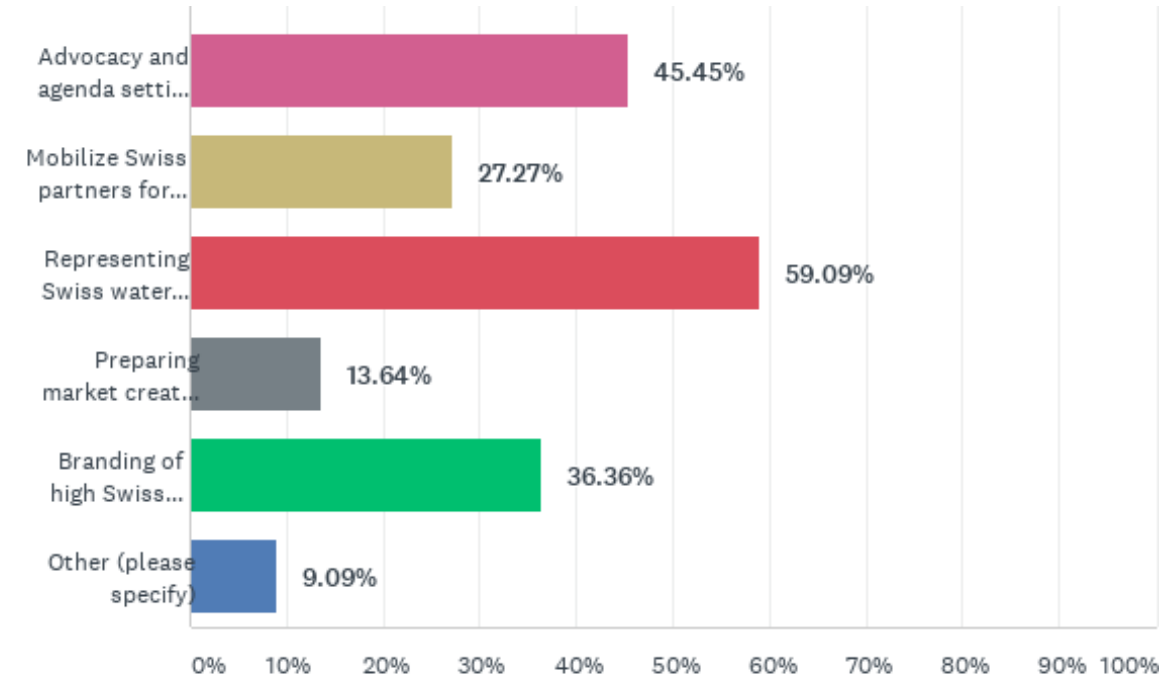
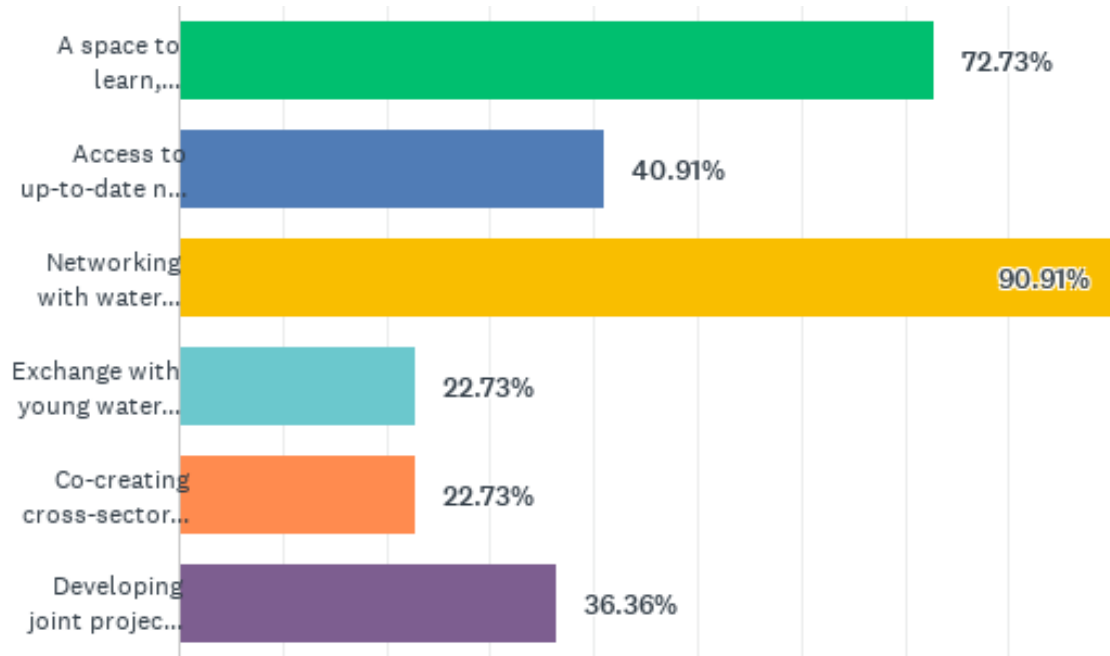
Which are the three most relevant water related topics that SWP's activities should focus on?



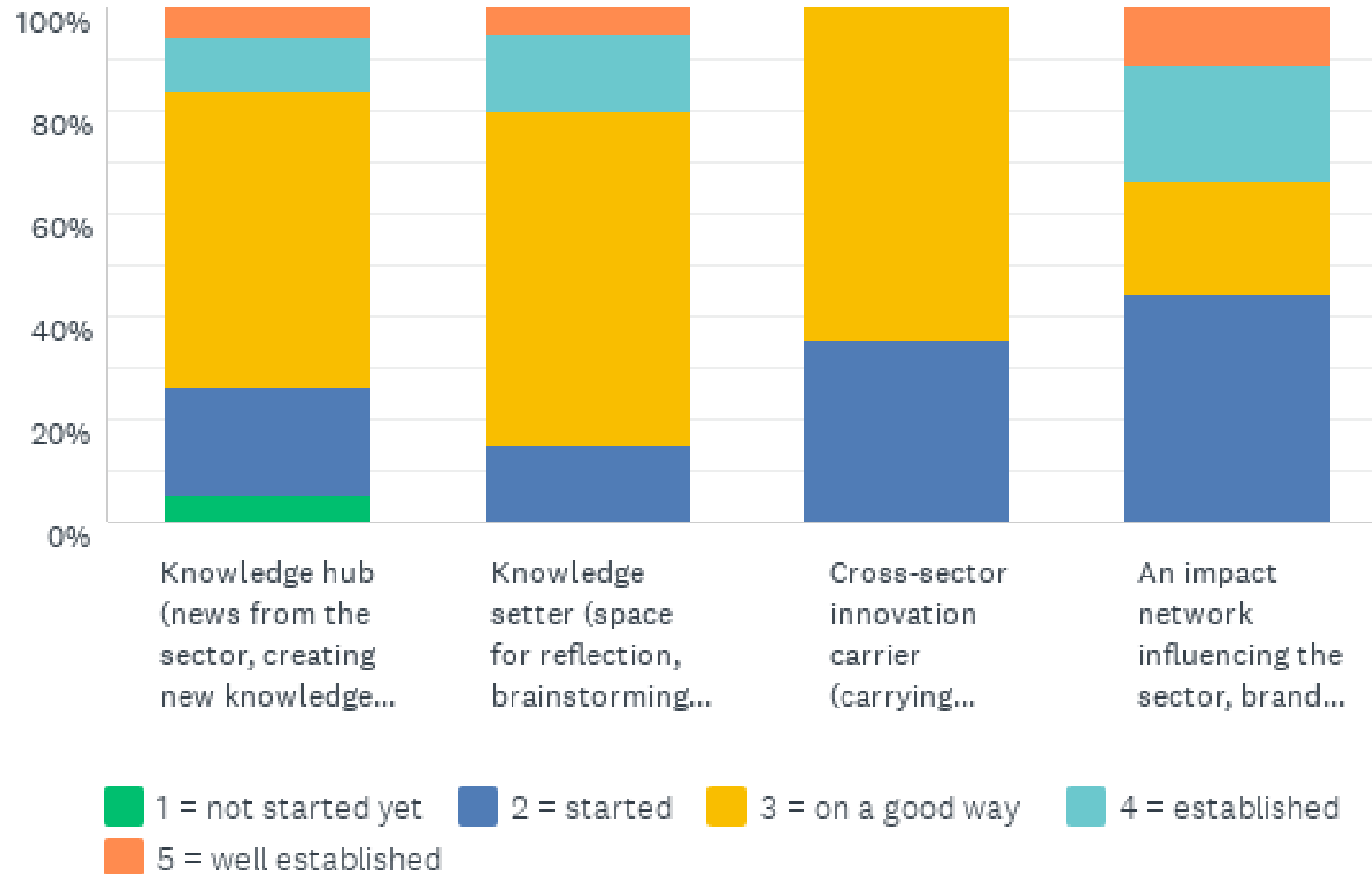
Which events, activities and tools should be considered additionally in future?

- Priority on the current ones: **WWW and World Water Forum**
- **More learning events** (swiss water innovations and/or with international experts)
- **World Water Day?**
- Event in Switzerland with **potential to show products and solutions** to stakeholders, public entities, NGOs and partner companies
- Engage more the **private sector and finance institutions**
- **Impact financing in water**
- Engage with the **development associations of the cantons**

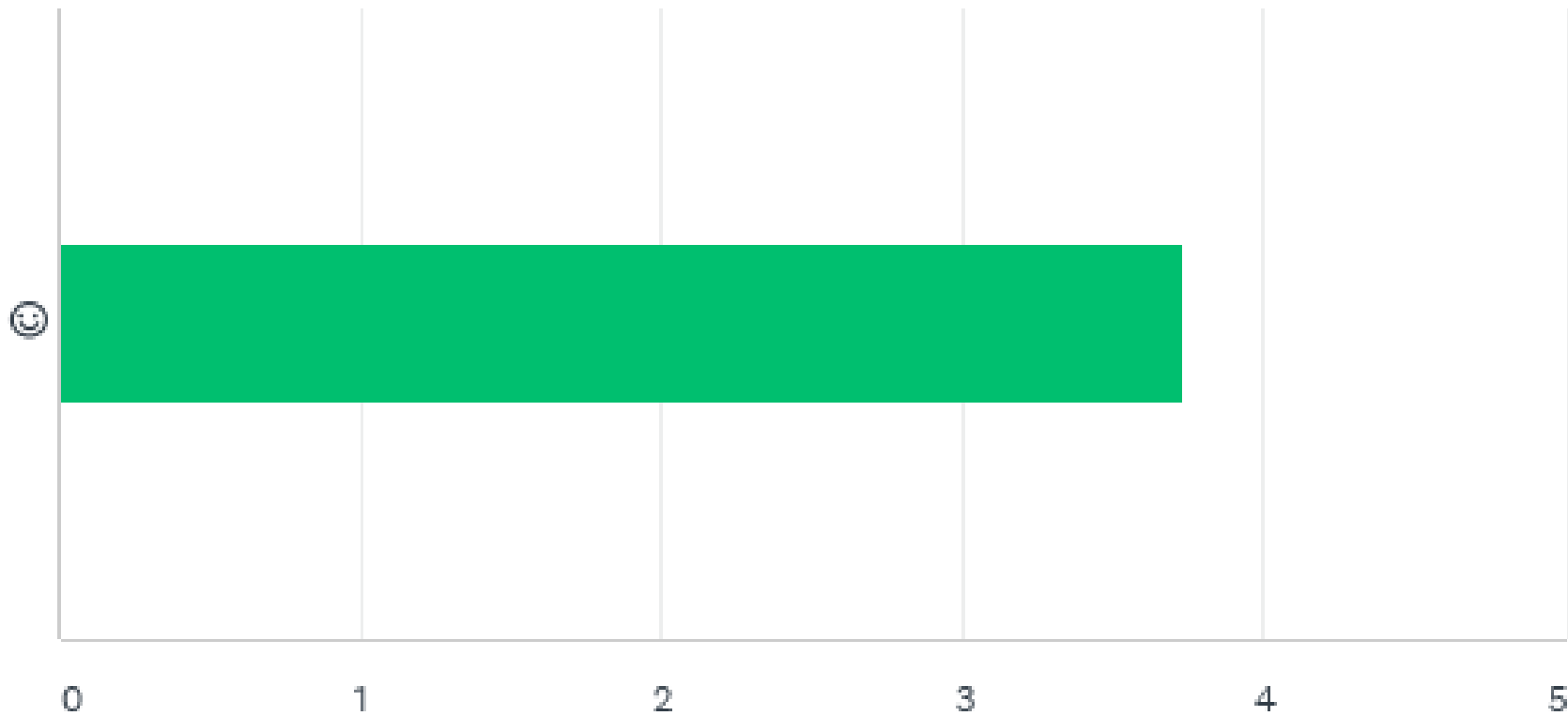
Based on your experience so far, what are your organization's specific benefits of being a SWP Member?



Where are we after 8 years of SWP?



Please rate your overall satisfaction regarding the SWP.



Conclusion

Objectives (Statutes)

- to promote **networking** and a **dialogue** on policy and practical issues in the water sector
- to **collect and exchange information** on international initiatives in the water sector
- to **learn from each other** as well as from partners and competitors of other countries and multilateral organisations
- to strengthen **Switzerland's profile and position** in the international water sector
- to make know-how available to the Swiss Government, which enables it to formulate adequate **policies** and positions as a member of the international community

Statutory part



A) Opening

- **Welcome and Introduction (Olga Darazs, Chair SWP)**
- **Confirmation of the Number of Voters and Majority for Votes**
- **Approval of the Agenda**
- **Approval of Minutes from the General Assembly 2019**

B) Key Achievements 2019

- **Presentation and Approval of the Annual Report 2019**
- **Presentation and Approval of the Financial Report 2019**
- **Appointment of the Independent Auditor for Audit 2020**

Annual Report 2019

Dynamic Learning

- Launching of **SWP Youth** with **Kick-off Event**
- Dialogue session about **Water and Peace** at **Geneva Peace week**
- **SJWP 2019** Winner Zamir Borojevic
- Working group on the topic of **Water and Climate change** (UN Water Topic 2020)

Strong Swiss Voice

- **World Water Week** > SWP was present with **20 members**
- **Study Tour** on Integrated Water Resource Management for policy makers from **Pakistan**

Water Dialogue

- **Position paper** on the **Dispatch** on Switzerland's International Cooperation 2021 – 2024: endorsed by 56 organizations, of which **24 are SWP member organizations**, and by 201 individuals from the water and sanitation sector

Financial Overview 2019

	2019
Total income	CHF 354'305.10
Total expenditure	CHF 389'355.74
Annual result	CHF - 35'050.64

- less income from **Flagship Initiative** and **member contribution for events**
- Additional income generated through **Study Tour**
- **Expenditures intentionally reduced** and resulted less than budgeted
- Last payment of SDC of phase 2 was adjusted (**CH 19'363**)

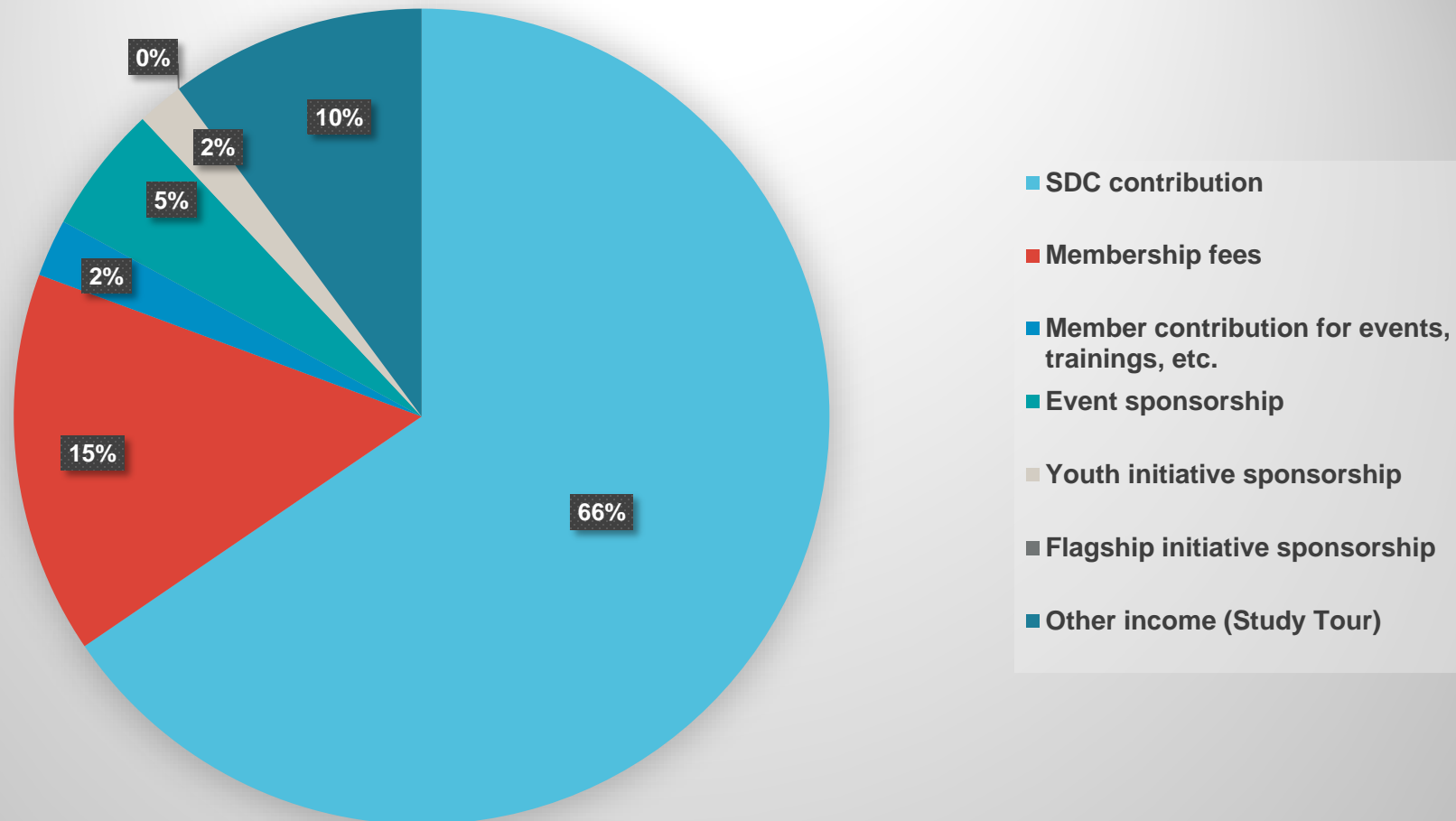
Expenditures 2019

EXPENSES	Budget 2019	Financial Report 2019
Remuneration	283'100.00	253'171.98
Coordination	148'500.00	124'671.35
Secretary General	55'800.00	32'705.00
Focal Point Suisse Romande	55'800.00	65'061.28
Administration	9'000.00	22'498.85
Graphic design	5'000.00	1'317.50
Bookkeeping/ Audit	8'000.00	6'918.00
Translation	1'000.00	0.00
Material expenses	58'500.00	26'522.84
International events (exhibition space + materials, seminar fees)	50'000.00	18'743.95
Swiss events	5'000.00	5'095.11
Print (flyers, brochures, etc.)	1'000.00	930.00
Website hosting + continuous improvements	2'500.00	1'295.58
Finance expenses ZKB		96.00
Other material cost		362.20
Travel expenses	11'500.00	9'141.28
Airfare international events	6'000.00	2'462.07
Expenses accomodation and food	4'000.00	5'337.99
Train tickets within Switzerland	1'500.00	1'341.22
Other costs	60'000.00	71'602.69
Study Tour 4WL	0.00	29'383.06
Flagship initiatives	50'000.00	12'450.00
Youth initiatives	10'000.00	10'406.02
Expenses Phase 2	0.00	19'363.61
VAT (7.7%)	31'809.00	28'916.05
TOTAL COSTS	444'909.00	389'355.74

Income 2019

INCOME	Budget 2019	Financial Report 2019
SDC contribution	290'000.00	232'000.00
Membership fees	55'000.00	53'750.00
Other income	100'000.00	68'555.10
Member contribution for events, trainings, etc.	20'000.00	8'080.55
Event sponsorship	15'000.00	18'000.00
Youth initiative sponsorship	10'000.00	6'500.00
Flagship initiative sponsorship	50'000.00	0.00
Other resources/ income (Study Tour)	5'000.00	35'974.55
TOTAL INCOME	445'000.00	354'305.10
Balance	91.00	-35'050.64

Income Repartition 2019



Conclusion Financial Overview 2019

- Over 2019 negative result even though expenses were reduced
- Members owe CHF 5'498.71 to legal entity SWP
- «Extraordinary expenses» from phase 2 and unrealized income from Flagship Initiatives
- SDC not as budgeted but in line with 60% of total audited expenses
- Positive audit report 2019 from Jean Frei Revisions- und Treuhand AG



Audit 2020

- Bookkeeping: TBO



- Independent Auditors: Jean Frei Revisions- und Treuhand AG

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Presentation and Adoption of the Annual Report 2019

Vote: Do you agree to adopt the annual report 2019 as sent ahead of the General Assembly?

The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Annual Report 2019

Presentation and Adoption of the Financial Report 2019

Vote: Do you agree to adopt the financial report 2019 as sent ahead of the General Assembly?

The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Financial Report 2019

Appointment of the Bookkeeper and Independent Auditor for 2020

Vote: Do you agree to appoint TBO Revisions as bookkeeper and Jean Frei Revisions- und Treuhand AG as official auditor of the SWP in 2020?

C) The Way Forward

- **Presentation and Adoption of the Action Plan 2020/2021**
- **Presentation and Adoption of the Budget 2021**

SWP Action Plan 2020/21

Dynamic Learning objectives	Key activities
SWP Think Tank : Knowledge exchange program implemented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a SWP learning event and a knowledge exchange event
Connecting and attracting youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the SWP activities of the youth strategy, involving members and partners • Regular SWP Youth meetings • Connect with regional and global youth networks • Seek long-term sponsors • Provide opportunities for the SJWP winner to get exposure
Develop and test innovative ideas through Flagship Initiatives (FI) contributing to the SDG's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further explore possibilities for Flagship Initiatives and facilitate the development and testing of innovative ideas through space for reflection

SWP Action Plan 2020/21

Strong Swiss Voice objectives	Key activities
Swiss solutions are presented and documented at Swiss and international events	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Facilitate the participation in thematic events at SWWW• Organize a Swiss booth at the SWWW• Support the different working groups• Conduct a study tour in Switzerland
Swiss solutions are presented and / or implemented among Swiss and International Networks and key sector actors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create demand for Swiss water expertise (multilateral & financial organizations)• Support the development of Swiss strategies/ positions for key (international) events and processes• Promote and strengthen synergies among Swiss and international Networks by identifying joint opportunities• Further explore current and upcoming possibilities for SWP involvement in international projects (through expert panel or expert mapping)

SWP Action Plan 2020/21

Water Dialogue – Policies objectives	Key activities
<p>SWP members contribute to shaping global policies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Based on exchanges, gather and provide information on current development of relevant policy processes from members• Identify possibilities for SWP members to get further involved in discussions on SDG 6 implementation and monitoring internationally & on country level.• Strengthen the water dialogue in sight of the WWF9 (Senegal)• Support interested organizations in Switzerland in adjusting their water programming to SDG 6

SWP Action Plan 2020/21

Platform Development objectives	Key activities
Strengthen membership development & active participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Actively promote the SWP towards new potential members Elaborate a concept on decentralized cooperation
Increase the attractiveness & impact of SWP communication channels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update the SWP website and key communication documents regularly Launch a call to update SWP member profiles
Maintain & diversify SWP finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct pilot project on SWP blended finance model New sponsors for the SWWW and the SJWP acquired
Event management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply the SWP sponsorship concept at events and conferences

Presentation of the Budget 2021

EXPENDITURE	2021
Remuneration	279'100
Coordination	148'500
Secretary General	55'800
Focal Point Suisse Romande	55'800
Administration	9'000
Graphic design / Facilitator	0
Bookkeeping and Audit	10'000
Translation	0
Material expenses	43'500
International events (exhibition space + materials, seminar fees)	35'000
Swiss events	5'000
Print (flyers, brochures, etc.)	1'000
Website hosting + continuous improvements	2'500
Travel expenses	11'500
Airfare international events	6'000
Expenses accommodation and food	4'000
Train tickets within Switzerland	1'500
Other costs	30'000
Flagship initiatives	10'000
Swiss Junior Water Prize	10'000
Youth initiatives	10'000
TOTAL EXPENSES	364'100
VAT (7.7%)	28'036
TOTAL COSTS	392'136

INCOME	
SDC contribution	232'000
Non-SDC contribution	160'000
Membership fees	55'000
Other income	105'000
Member contribution for events, trainings, etc.	20'000
Event sponsorship external	20'000
Swiss Junior Water Prize sponsorship	10'000
Youth initiative sponsorship	10'000
Flagship initiative sponsorship	19'000
Other resources/income (study tour)	26'000
TOTAL INCOME	392'000
Balance	-136
SDC contribution	59%

Presentation and Adoption of the Action Plan 2020/2021

Vote: Do you agree to adopt the Action Plan 2020/2021 as sent ahead of the General Assembly?

The Steering Board recommends to adopt the action plan 2020/2021

Presentation and Adoption of the Budget 2021

Vote: Do you agree to adopt the budget 2021 sent ahead of the General Assembly?

The Steering Board recommends to adopt the SWP Budget 2021

D) Membership and Governance

- **Notification on the Member that left the SWP**
- **Approval of new Members 2020**
- **Approval of Membership Fees for 2020**
- **SB Re-Election**
- **SB New Election**

Notification on the Member who left the SWP



Reason:

Water Mandate has come to an end

Approval new members

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Approval of Membership Fees for 2020

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*

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

The Steering Board recommends to maintain the membership fee as stated in the statutes 2016.

SWP SB Re-Election



Rose Osinde Alabaster, WEHDI



Simon Zbinden, SDC

Election new SB Member



Christof Sonderegger, SECO



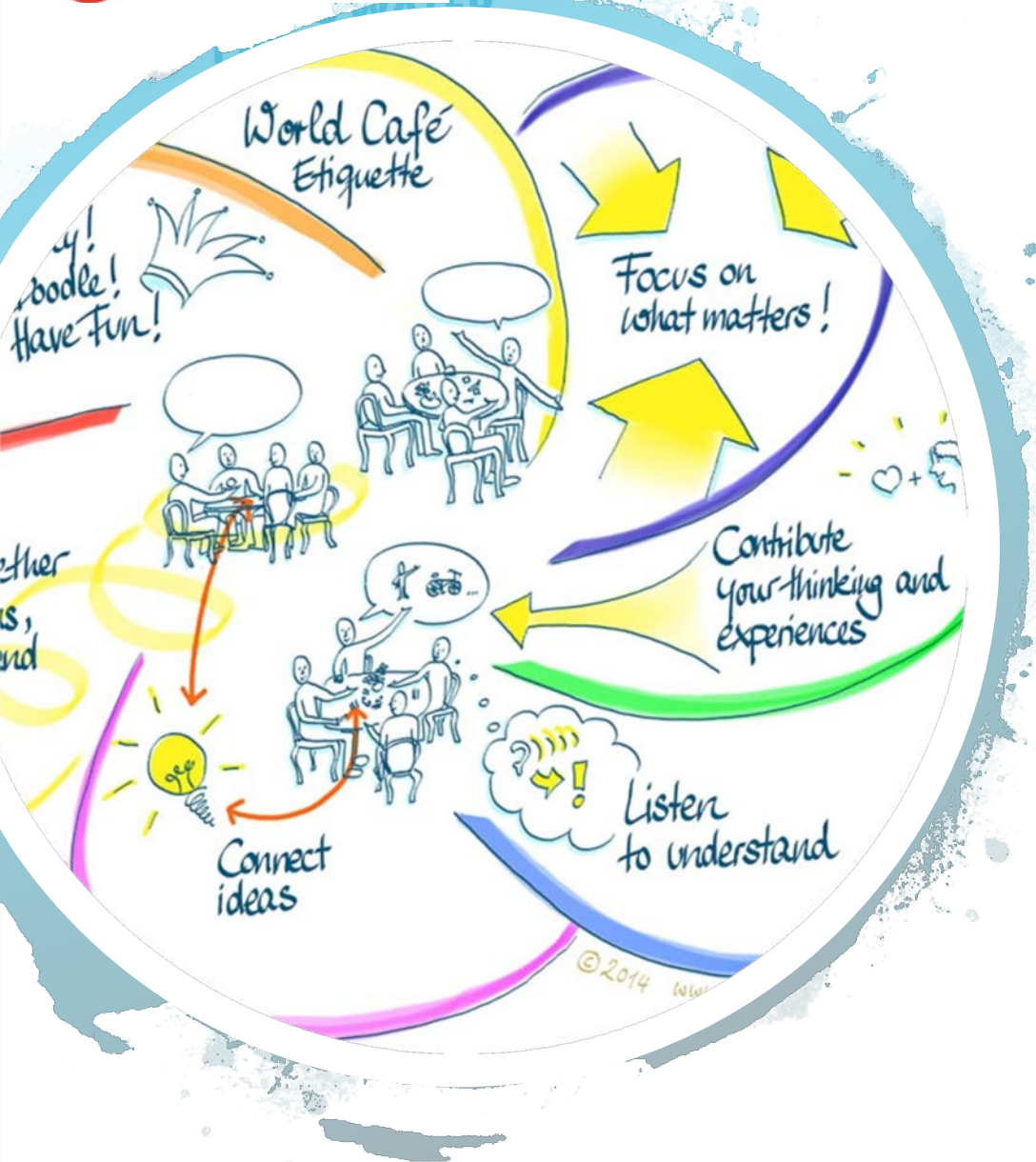
**Abishek Narayan, eawag, SWP
Youth Committee**



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COFFEE BREAK



Breakout Sessions

WORLD CAFE

- 1) Flagship Initiative “Position paper”
- 2) Flagship Initiative “Rotational internship for young professionals”
- 3) 2021 UN Water Theme “Valuing water”

Objectives

- Start two new SWP Flagship Initiatives as a common project with interested members
- Collect thoughts about the UN Water theme 2021 and establish a working group for next years' events

Outcomes

Flagship Initiatives

- a. Which SWP members are willing to take this forward?
- b. What concretely needs to be done in the next 1-3 months (and by whom)?
- c. What possibilities should be pursued to find the necessary funding/sponsorship?

UN Water theme

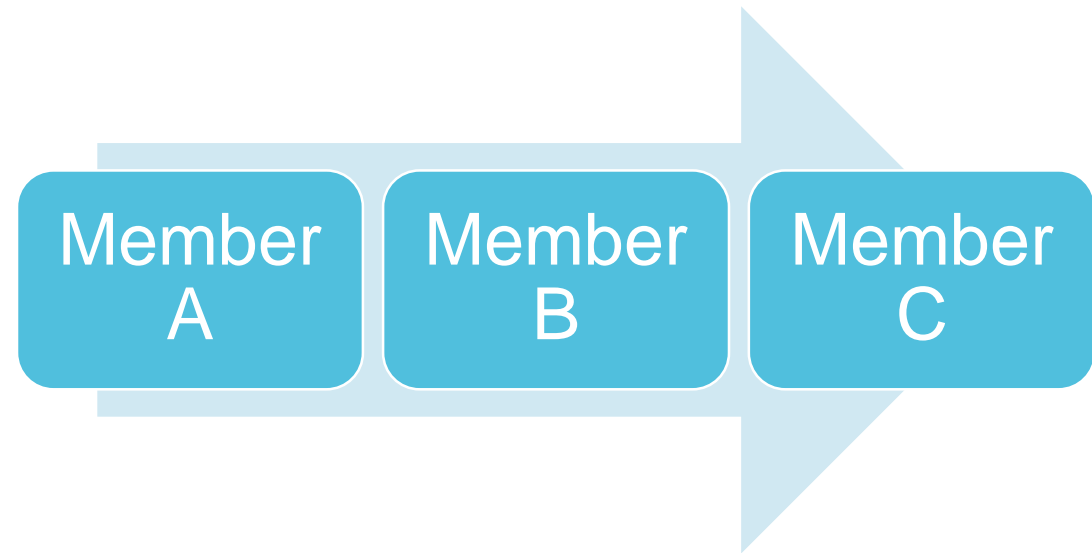
- a. What do you think are the most relevant aspects of the UN Water Theme 2021 for the SWP?
- b. Which SWP members should be on the working group to prepare for next year's events?
- c. If relevant, which member(s) could lead on which topic?

1) Flagship Initiative “Position paper”



2) Flagship Initiative “Rotational internship for young professionals”

- Cross-sectoral, inter-organisational internship
- Young professionals from development countries
- hosted by 3-4 members, 2-6 months each



3) 2021 UN Water Theme “Valuing water”

- 5 Principles by High-level Panel of Water
- Preparation of Events in 2021:
 - World Water Day Event in Switzerland?
 - World Water Week in Stockholm

HLPW Principles on Valuing Water

Recognize and Embrace Water's Multiple Values

Reconcile Values and Build Trust

Protect the Sources

Educate to Empower

Invest and Innovate

Principles shall be used to sustainably, efficiently and inclusively allocate and manage water resources, and deliver and price water services accordingly.

Any Other Business & Closing

**Thank you for your
participation!**

