

UN-Water

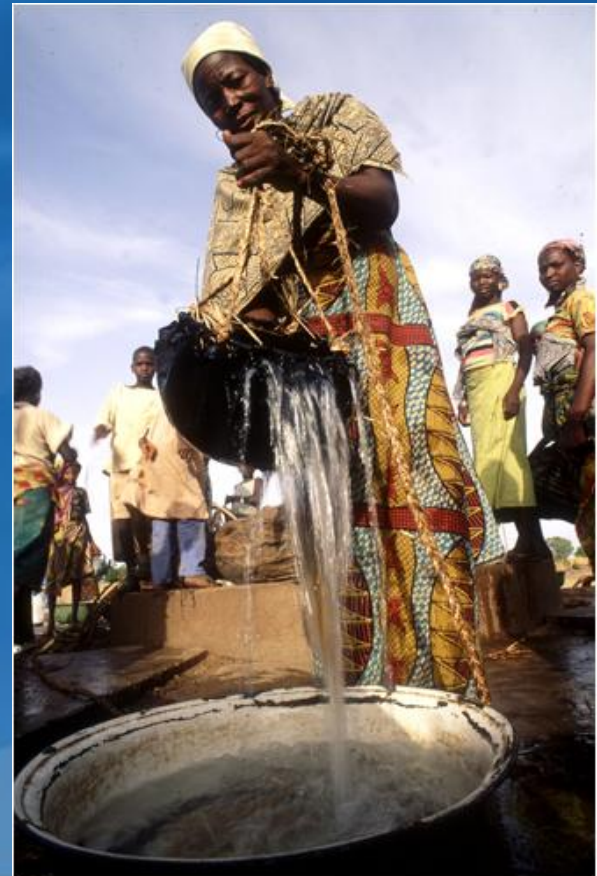
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CTA to the Chair

MUS Group Meeting

Rome

24-25 August 2010



Sectors

Agencies

System

Food production

Hygiene and sanitation

Ecosystems

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FAO

WHO

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Integrated

Multi-sector

Complex

Since 2003 - How UN-Water works

- ✓ UN-Water is not another institution
- ✓ It is a “coordination mechanism”
- ✓ Governance:
 - Senior Programme Managers in charge of water in 26 UN agencies, funds and programmes
 - Rotating chair (2 years)
 - Permanent Secretariat (UN-DESA)
 - Holds biannual meetings



Scope of UN-Water

Address Freshwater

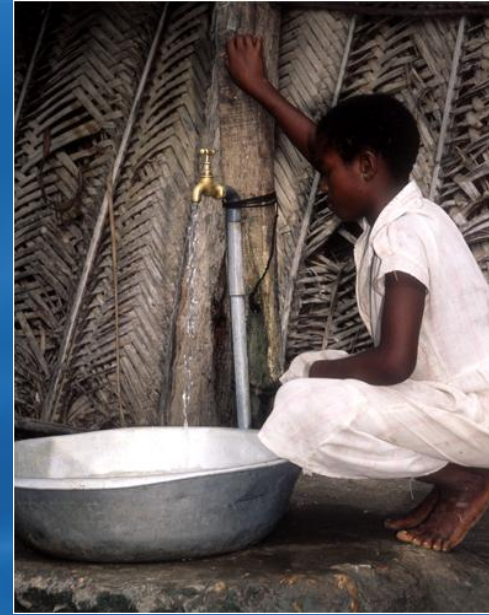
- ✓ Surface and groundwater
- ✓ Interface freshwater - seawater
- ✓ Quality, quantity
- ✓ Uses (domestic, agriculture, ecosystem)
- ✓ Development, assessment, monitoring



Address Sanitation

- ✓ Access to and use of by populations
- ✓ Sanitation - freshwater interactions

Address Water-related disasters, emergencies and extreme events



- ✓ UN-Water tends to operate through “*thematic initiatives*”
- ✓ UN-Water activities are mainly implemented by members and partners
- ✓ Four UN-Water programmes are hosted and coordinated by UN agencies and programmes
- ✓ partners: UN-Water includes also non-UN members (e.g., GWP, WWC, EUWI, WBCSD)

✓ Establishment of a *multi-donor trust fund*

UN-Water is guided by a Work Programme 2009-2010. Four focus activity areas

- ✓ Co-ordination and coherence
- ✓ Monitoring and reporting
- ✓ Communication and advocacy
- ✓ Addressing emerging trends and challenges

Thematic focus areas

- Water scarcity • Transboundary waters • Sanitation
- IWRM
- Water and women
- Pollution
- Financing water
- Valuing water
- Extreme events
- Capacity building



✓ Constitution of *major task forces*

- Transboundary waters
- Climate Change
- Sanitation
- Indicators, Monitoring, Reporting
- UN Coordination at National level
- Gender

✓ Development of *UN-Water programmes*

WWAP (World Water Assessment Programme)

- Secretariat in Perugia

UN-Water Decade Programme on Capacity Development (UNW-DPC)

- Secretariat in UNU Bonn

UN-Water Decade Programme on Advocacy and Communication (UNW-DPAC)

- Secretariat in Saragossa, hosted by DESA



Dedicated web-site gets the word out

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→ Upcoming Major Event

World Water Week 2009

16-22 August 2009 - Stockholm, Sweden

The theme for World Water Week 2009 will be "Accessing Water for the Common Good", and this will be the first year under a new three-year niche entitled "Water – Responding to Global Change."

The logo features a white, stylized wave graphic that curves over the text "UN WATER". The background of the banner is an aerial view of a water treatment facility with several large, rectangular basins.

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