UN-Water & Institutional Capacity Development

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UN-Water Members

28 United Nations Organizations

CBD
FAO
IAEA
UNEP
UNFCCC
HABITAT
IFAD
UNICEF
UNCTAD
UNHCR
UNDESA
UNISDR
UNCCD
UNDESA
UNDP
UNU
World Bank
WHO
ECA
ECE
ECLAC
WMO
UNWTO
ILO
ESCAP
ESCWA
UNESCO

UN-Water Partners

24 International Organizations

Operating for 7 years…

UN-Water, established in 2003, is

'… the inter-agency mechanism for follow up of the WSSD water-related decisions and the MDGs concerning water …'

Aims to:

- *Promote coherence & coordination of UN actions*
- *Complement and add value to existing activities*
- *Enhance efficiency and avoid overlaps*

Strategic Directions

- ✓ Strengthen coherence amongst members and partners
- ✓ Provide inputs to the global policy debates
- ✓ Facilitate UN action at the country level

Scope of UN-Water

- ✓ Freshwater

- ✓ Sanitation

- ✓ Water-related disasters and extreme events

- ✓ UN-Water activities are implemented by members and partners
- ✓ Funded by members and donor countries
- ✓ UN-Water includes four targeted programmes:

WWAP	UNW-DPC	UNW-DPAC	JMP
UNESCO Perugia	UNU Bonn	UNDESA Zaragoza	WHO/ UNICEF

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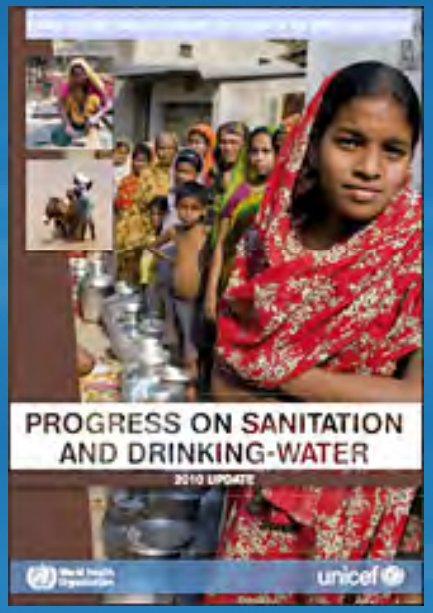
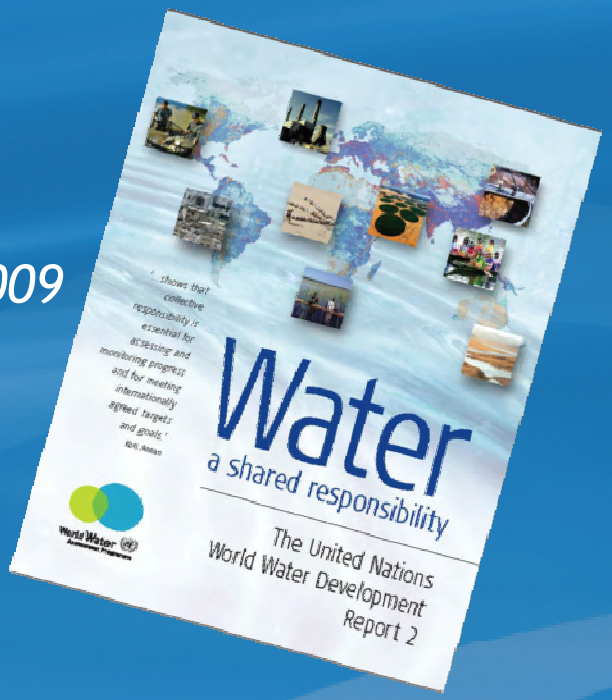
Major Outputs

- Global Assessment Reports:



Joint Monitoring Programme Report -March 2010

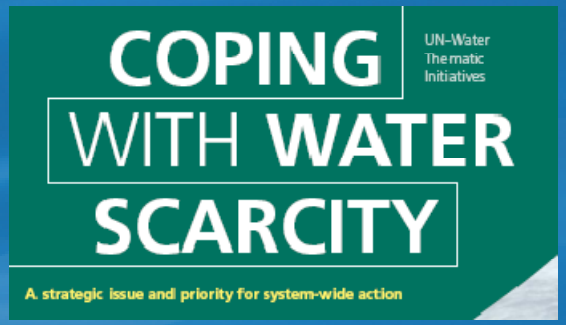
World Water Development Report – March 2009

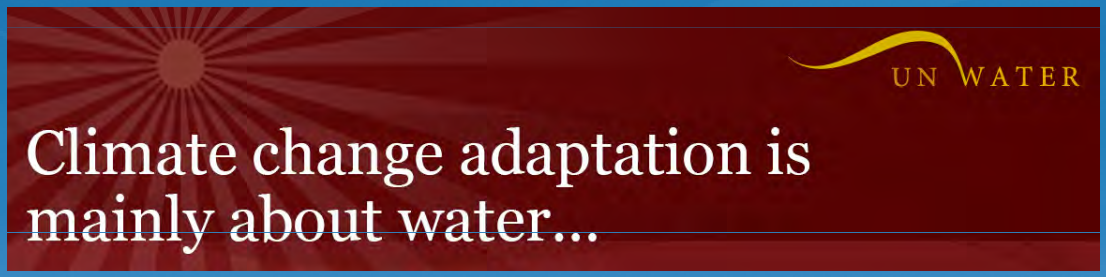


Global Annual Assessment on Sanitation and Drinking Water (GLAAS) – April 2010

Major Outputs

- Policy briefs and focused position documents





World Water Day

- ✓ Has been celebrated since 1994
- ✓ Theme is selected by UN-Water members & partners
- ✓ Important tool for advocacy
  - worldwide activities by UN but also thousands of others
- ✓ An agency in charge of the day

Key Impacts of Our Work

- ✓ Coordinated Responses:
  - ✓ issues of relevance to UN member states (Cap. Dev.)
- ✓ Reporting to Inform Decision-making:
  - ✓ Providing reliable information to monitor action
- ✓ Focus on Emerging Water Issues:
  - ✓ Broad range: climate change adaptation to country-level coordination
- ✓ UNIQUE DISCUSSION PLATFORM:
  - ✓ Interagency dialogue on key issues and concerns,
  - ✓ Coordinating consensus point of view

Focus on MDG's

- ✓ Water relates to all MDG's, particularly related to:
  - ✓ Poverty, Human Health, Gender, Sustainable Development
- ✓ Meeting water and sanitation targets for 2015 requires:
  - ✓ Capacity Development: human, institutional, technological, service provision
  - ✓ Resource Mobilization: role for public & private sectors
  - ✓ Policy Frameworks: link to the "development agenda"
- ✓ Review at the MDG Summit, New York

Upcoming Actions by UN-Water

- ✓ Contribution to major global events
  - ✓ Water and Green Economy, Bonn 2011
  - ✓ 6th World Water Forum, Marseilles 2012
  - ✓ Rio+20, Rio de Janeiro 2012
- ✓ Focus on coordination at the country level
  - ✓ Development of Water Country Briefs
  - ✓ Report on implementation of IWRM
- ✓ Upcoming issues:
  - ✓ Water security
  - ✓ Water quality
  - ✓ Wastewater management

Thank You

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