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Preface



It is my great pleasure to present the Annual Report of 2014. It was an eventful, exciting and above all successful year for the Partnership. Indeed, 2014 was particularly special because it was the year Women for Water Partnership (WfWP) celebrated its 10th anniversary. But not only that: It was also the year we strengthened relationships with our members and partners, created countless joint opportunities and realised many of our mutual aims.

With the deadline for the Millennium Development Goals rapidly approaching, the WfWP and its partners stressed the urgent need for a dedicated water goal in the future Sustainable Development Goals in the Post 2015 agenda. Of course, we also continued to emphasise gender equality, the empowerment of all women and girls, the role of women as agents of change and equitable access to water and sanitation for all for all uses. We contributed to global projects, supported member projects, empowered women via shared lessons learnt and undertook research efforts, all of which actively involved women's groups in water governance. With the help of our financial partners, in particular SDC, the Partnership was able to stabilise our professionally staffed headquarters in The Hague, the Netherlands.

One of the highlights in 2014 was meeting in South Africa with some 30 energetic, capable and exceptionally strong women coming from every corner of the globe. After a two-year interruption, the representatives of WfWP's member organisations were finally able to connect at the General Assembly, which convened in November. The GA was organised back-to-back with the Gender, Water and Development Conference, which WfWP co-hosted. We commemorated the impressive achievements we jointly realised over the period of the International Decade for Action 'Water for Life 2005-2015'. We debated the Partnership, discussed our future and formulated ambitions for our next Strategic Plan.

In South Africa we officially bid farewell to Founding President Alice Bouman-Dentener, who worked tirelessly for ten years for the empowerment of women and for civil society. WfWP, and the gender, water and sustainable development nexus in general, would not have the same landscape today, if it were not for Alice's drive and accomplishments in strengthening women's organisations in the water sector.

I am indeed very proud of last year's achievements. Without each and every one of our members, alliances, partners and other supporters, we could not have achieved such successes. That is why I would like to thank you wholeheartedly for your commitment, involvement, motivation, support and enthusiasm in working towards our joint goals. I look forward to continuing these efforts in 2015.

The Hague, January 2015

Mariet Verhoef-Cohen
President Women of Water Partnership

Highlights 2014

In 2014 numerous important achievements were accomplished in our aim to influence the international water scene and to position women as agents of change to realise 'water for all, for all uses.'

WfWP continued to position women and their organisations as leaders and agents of change for a water secure and equitable future. Another key message of WfWP was the inclusion of a dedicated water goal in the SDG's. Attending international conferences and participating in partnerships remained two core activities for Women for Water Partnership.

Important events for WfWP include the Stockholm World Water Week, the first Africa Integrity Summit and CSW58, among others. WfWP influenced and or contributed to the gender policies of AMCOW, the process of the Water and Health Protocol and the Ministerial Declaration of the 7th World Water Forum for 2015. WfWP initiated and joined in several activities with its partners, such as the project Women Leadership in Water Cooperation with UN Women and the participation in the World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP) developing gender disaggregated indicators. In addition WfWP is spearheading the development of a Women for Water Fund.

An additional core activity of WfWP included knowledge sharing and learning on which a lot of emphasis was put during the General Assembly (GA), convening in South Africa, via sharing lessons and case studies. The GA was deliberately organised back-to-back with the Gender, Water and Development conference so the members had the chance to participate in the conference sessions. The study with UNU INWEH reached the last stage and the interim outcomes of the UNU INWEH mapping exercise were validated during the GA. In South Africa additional portraits of women in leading positions in the water sector were produced, increasing awareness on the role of women and serving to inspire others.

Six projects, supported by the WfWP secretariat, were completed in the course of 2014. These projects were implemented by Katosi Women Development Trust in Uganda and Tegemeo Women Group in Tanzania. Access to safe water and sanitation and empowerment of women as agents of change were realised. Capacity building remains one of the key pillars in the projects to ensure sustainability and ownership.

WfWP welcomed a new member, Water Mothers from Myanmar, thereby expanding up to 26 members covering approximately 100 countries worldwide.

Another highlight for WfWP was the General Assembly, which took place after a two-year intermission, due to an austerity period in 2012 and 2013. WfWP representatives took the opportunity to unite and discuss strategic and governance issues, to commemorate the joint achievements over the Water for Life Decade 2005-2015 and carve out the first steps for the next strategic plan. The General Assembly was organised adjacent the Gender, Water and Development conference, which WfWP co-hosted together with the South African Department of Water and Sanitation, the Water Resource Commission (WRC) and the African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW).

At the GA it was decided to revitalise the HUB in Tanzania in 2015 and to develop new HUBS worldwide. The GA decided that all of WfWP's work will be in line with the future SDG's. Water should remain the entry point, striving for water for all, for all uses.

The second term of founding president Alice Bouman-Dentener formally ended and she was succeeded by Mariet Verhoef-Cohen in April 2014. Steering Committee member Emma Anakhasyan was re-elected for a second term.

Due to the core funding of SDC the secretariat could be reinstated and stabilised. In June an executive director took office and a new team was established.

WfWP initiated the first steps for a new monitoring system for the partnership as a whole to properly keep track of the progress made in the activities. The system will be piloted in the course of 2015.

The website of WfWP was updated, the content and interface-design as well as the control management panel. A film and project module are added to the website and a social media plan has been designed in 2014.

The original budget of 2014 was € 532,248 including the entire amount of the overflow of the SDC budget 2013. In July it was decided to economise and not spend the budget of 2014 entirely to enable WfWP to have sufficient funding for the first half year of 2015. WfWP spent € 384,665 and the result is €142,768, thus succeeded to create a reserve for 2015.

2 Core Activities

Women for Water Partnerships core activities are mainly joint endeavours with our members and partners. The Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation (SDC) is one of our major strategic as well as financial partners, supporting our core activities along with our operations.

In 2013 SDC and WfWP agreed to a three-year partnership for the period 2013 - 2015. Gender Equality is recognised as an important vehicle to achieve a water secure world and is therefore an integral part of the strategy of SDC's Global Programme Water Initiatives (GPWIs). This is what connects SDC and the Women for Water Partnership. The partnership facilitates women's meaningful participation at all levels from local to global level. SDC believes WfWP -through its rich network- can influence and support a future dedicated water goal, eliminating inequalities and inequities progressively. SDC was observer at the WfWP Steering Committee meeting on 15-16 February and WfWP participated in the sixth and seventh peer review and joint learning event on Water Governance Portfolio.

Women for Water Partnership (WfWP) continued to contribute to the progress of multiple aspects within the water sector. This chapter is a reflection of the foremost activities of WfWP illustrating when and where the voices of women civil society via WfWP have created an impact.

The core activities of WfWP are classified as follows:

- 2.1 Lobby and Advocacy;
- 2.2 Knowledge exchange and learning;
- 2.3 Member projects.

2.1 Lobby and Advocacy

Intervening during international conferences and participating in partnerships remain two core activities for Women for Water Partnership. In 2014 WfWP continued to position women and their organisations as leaders and agents of change for a water secure and equitable future. Together with our strategic partners, WfWP lobbied at the major international, (national) and regional water forums for full and equal participation of women and their organisations in decision-making and policy-design. WfWP lobbied for water for all, for all uses and for a dedicated water goal as part of the future Sustainable Development Goals.

WfWP gained influence in the sector since Honorary Founding President Alice Bouman-Dentener became chair of the European Water Stewardship Steering Committee, and Steering Committee member Diana Iskreva was elected as one of the CSO/NGO representatives in the coordinating group of the EU Water Initiative. Leshia Witmer, delegate of VAM, is her alternate.

WfWP's main event in 2014 was the *Gender, Water and Development Conference, the untapped connection*, (GWD conference) which WfWP co-hosted. A synopsis of this conference and other key events are presented below, as well as the main activities in cooperation with our partners. For a complete overview of our activities see appendix A and for an overview of our partnerships see Appendix B.

Gender, Water and Development Conference: the untapped connection, East London



Together with the South African Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS), the Water Research Commission (WRC) and the African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW), Women for Water Partnership hosted the GWD conference in South Africa, convening

from 3–7 November 2014. Over 430 participants from 36 countries attended, and the participants ranged from grassroots representatives (including local women and men); civil society representatives (including members of men's networks); politicians; policy makers; ministers and government officials' implementers from local to national level; small enterprises; the corporate sector; consultancy firms; and academia.

It was the first conference hosted in Africa dealing with continental issues about gender and water. The guiding framework for the conference was AMCOW's *Policy and Strategy for Mainstreaming Gender in Africa's Water Sector*. The organisation of the conference had a long history, the idea originated in 2008, however, there were numerous challenges over the years, resulting among others in several postponements of the event.

The conference became a major international success. One of the highlights was the Ministerial Declaration in which the ministers present committed to the implementation of the AMCOW Policy and Strategy for mainstreaming gender, to annual reporting on implementation of that Policy and Strategy, and to mobilising their African colleagues to do the same. See the text box for a paragraph of the Ministerial Declaration.¹

WfWP hosted three sessions at the conference. WfWP President Mariet Verhoef-Cohen coordinated the session *Women for Water - Agents of Change: a Tangible Women Water Fund for a Sustainable Future*. Adequate financial support is a critical element in furthering gender equity and women's meaningful engagement in water cooperation. At the international conference on Gender in Dushanbe, in August 2013 in Tajikistan, WfWP agreed to spearhead the initiative of a *Women for Water Fund*.

The *Women for Water Fund* (working title) intends to create opportunities for women and is aimed at: (i) Strengthening women's leadership in water policy- and decision-making at (inter)national forums to achieve more effective implementation of water programmes and achieve gender equity; (ii) Empowering women and encouraging them to lead in water cooperation, by supporting them with skills, expertise, finance and a capacity development to support training and education.

In anticipation of the session in South Africa multiple individual brainstorming sessions were initiated with professionals involved in developing and managing funds. These experts ranged from financial consultants to board members of development funds. At the session participants were informed and provided their input and expertise and decided on the way forward. Just as the ministerial outcome of the Gender Forum in Tajikistan 2013, the Ministerial

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Water resources management should be based on a participatory approach. Both men and women should be involved and have an equal voice in managing the sustainable use of water resources and sharing of benefits. The role of women in water-related areas needs to be strengthened and their participation broadened.

We recognise that governments must immediately implement their international commitments to women's rights and gender equity in relation to water and sanitation.

All stakeholders must recognize that women's empowerment is essential to poverty eradication and environmental regeneration. Women, therefore, must be leaders in the development, implementation, and monitoring of viable initiatives and solutions.

We recognise that local governments, utilities and the public sector must use participatory, gender-balanced and gender-sensitive working methods in developing sustainable, equitable and affordable water and sanitation systems and water treatment infrastructure. Women must be key actors in the decision-making and development, implementation and monitoring of these systems.

Source: Report on the gender Water and Development conference, East London, 3-7 November 2014

¹ For the complete Declaration see <http://www.womenforwater.org/openbaar/index.php?alinealD=460>

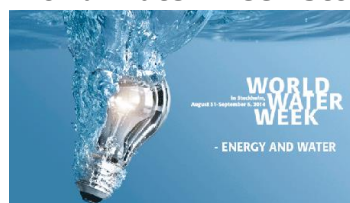
Declaration in South Africa underlined the need of a Global Women for Water Fund. Key recommendation was to connect to a similar fund and pass the initiative on to an organisation with in-house knowledge, which can further develop this fund.

The second session *Women for Water - Agents of Change: How to Implement the Human Rights to Water and Sanitation*, was coordinated by Honorary Founding President Alice Bouman-Dentener and supported by Auxilia Ponga representative of UN Women. The session was a cooperation between UN Women, UNW-DPAC and WfWP, and it demonstrated how women's civil society combine water and gender to effectively contribute to the development of their communities and countries. It displayed the added value of the Human Rights to Water and Sanitation as a means to accelerate social and economic empowerment of women. It showed how to tackle poverty at the root. The session addressed the challenges women's organisations face, aiming to contribute to a transformative, women inclusive development agenda. Several case studies of WfWP members were presented via an interactive dialogue: Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment (AWHHE) from Armenia, National Women's Movement (NVB) from Suriname, Soroptimist International Union of Kenya, Tegemeo Women Group from Tanzania and WPLUS from Nepal.

The last session hosted by WfWP entitled *Women for Water - Agents of Change: Water Cultures, Justice and Equity* was coordinated by Treasurer Diana Iskreva. The session was a preparation for the 7th World Water Forum in Korea convening in April 2015. The speakers, Diana Iskreva, Nazokat Isaeva (Oxfam Tajikistan) and Maren Heuvels (BORDA) discussed the processes – thematic, regional, science and Technology, as well as the Citizen's Forum. They shared strategies: water showcases and solutions to water challenges were also presented. The participants received the newest information on the various mechanism to participate in the 7th WWF and how to optimally benefit from the opportunities.

In addition, WfWP members contributed to various sessions of the conference, such as Ruth During from WEP at the Menstrual Hygiene Management and Lesha Witmer during the water stewardship session.

World Water Week Stockholm, Stockholm



Hosted and organised by SIWI, the World Water Week in Stockholm is a major annual global event organised to address the world's water issues and related concerns of international development. WfWP was well represented in Stockholm co-hosting or contributing to various sessions and panel discussions.

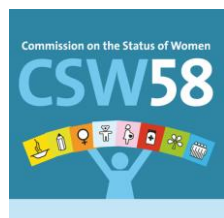
WfWP co-convened the session *Gender Disaggregated Indicators for Water Monitoring and Assessment and Reporting* in cooperation with WWAP, AMCOW, SIWI and WRC. Mariet Verhoef-Cohen delivered a moving speech and illustrated the importance of gender-disaggregated indicators from a grassroots perspective. She stressed the importance of developing both quantitative and qualitative indicators. Only by investing substantial funds in the development and implementation of gender disaggregated indicators our efforts will be truly worthwhile, Verhoef-Cohen alerted.

Additional involvement in Stockholm includes among others Diana Iskreva as panellist in the EUWI Multi Stakeholder Forum, Lesha Witmer (on behalf of BPWI) and Kusum Athukorala (on behalf of the Sri Lanka Water Partnership) partaking in the panel discussion *Gender and Water: An untapped connection?* organised by WRC, AMCOW, GWP and UNESCO IHP. In addition, Ms Witmer (Butterfly Effect) moderated the session *How the global water conventions support transboundary water cooperation?* thereby emphasising how stakeholders should interact in the future. Mariet Verhoef Cohen, Diana Iskreva, Lesha

Witmer and Annemiek Jenniskens participated at the Steering Group of the Butterfly Effect. Leshia Witmer provided the opening speech at the OECD Water governance initiatives.

Stockholm proved to be a highly important and fruitful event and a major occasion for networking, reconciling with existing partners and alliances and to develop new partnerships.

CSW 58



The fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women took place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 10 to 21 March 2014. The 2014 session reached a momentous global consensus on actions needed to accelerate the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) for women and girls.

The high-level side event *Women and Water: Multipliers of Development* was organised by the government of Mexico, South Africa and Switzerland. WfWP was proud to contribute to this event on 11 March 2014. The side event took stock of the progress made on gender equality and the remaining challenges from a holistic water perspective.

Panellists included Professor Dr. Khin Ni Ni Thein, on behalf of WfWP. Dr. Thein presented her report: *Women's empowerment and leadership for sustainable water governance and development: Myanmar Case*. Mr. Benno Bättig, Secretary-General of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland moderated the session in which many dignitaries and leaders in the water world attended. A discussion was sparked on the implications for gender and water in the post-2015 development agenda, including on the terms of future SDG's and targets.

Steering Committee member Kathy Kelly was panellist at the side event Women and Water in South Sudan, organized by the World Evangelical Alliance (WEA) and Water is Basic. Kathy Kelly emphasized that water security was a prerequisite for women's empowerment and development. Kelly advocated for a strong and a dedicated water goal and strengthening the gender and women's empowerment Millennium Development Goal.

First African Water Integrity Learning Summit, Lusaka



The 1st African Water Integrity Learning Summit: *Accelerating towards a Water Secure World* was hosted by UNDP-Water Governance Facility, The Water Integrity Network, UNDP/Cap-Net, WaterNet and the Stockholm International Water Institute. The summit convened in Lusaka on 29 and 30 April 2014.

It was the first occasion where water integrity ambassadors from 22 countries in Africa met to exchange case examples and good practices. Fundamental was the question how to address corruption in the water sector at a regional and national level.

Asha Abdulrahman, WfWP Steering Committee member and Africa Coordinator, presented her striking case study at the summit "Social Accountability Approach to Rainwater Harvesting for Mwioko Women group". Via lessons learnt, Asha revealed crucial social accountability tools and illustrated the impact of integrity.

The conclusive Summit Statement was handed over to Hon. Bai-Mass Taal, Executive Secretary of AMCOW and presented at both the Africa Water Week and at AMCOW's 9th General Assembly in May 2014. At the AMCOW General Assembly it was decided to include water integrity in all future AMCOW events, and AMCOW strives to include it in the 7th World Water Forum, as well as in the consultations on the post-2015 development agenda.

Protocol on Water and Health



The Protocol on Water and Health to the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Water Convention was adopted to ensure universal access to safe drinking water and adequate sanitation for all citizens of the pan-European region. The Protocol provides a framework for implementing the human right to water and sanitation.

WfWP is significantly involved in the Protocol on Water and Health process via several bodies within the protocol's structure. SC member Diana Iskrevka was elected as the Deputy Chair of the Compliance Committee, the control body on the implementation of the Protocol. In addition, SC member Emma Anakhasyan and member Anna Tsvetkova (MAMA86) are members of the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting as well as the Working Group on Water and Health under the framework of the UNECE/WHO. Emma Anakhasyan and Diana Iskrevka are members of the Review Group under the Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting.

Preparations 7th World Water Forum



WfWP is firmly involved in the preparations of the 7th World Water Forum, which will convene in Daegu and Gyeongbuk, in the Republic of Korea, 12-17 April 2015. Via Steering Committee members and members, WfWP participates in the regional processes (Europe) and is involved in the design groups of the thematic processes: Margaret Nakato from KWDT on theme 2.1 Water and Food and Diana Iskrevka theme 4.4. Water cultures,

Justice and Equity. Lasha Witmer is involved in the process via the Butterfly Effect as member of the Citizens Forum Taskforce. WfWP and the Butterfly Effect (BE) closely cooperate.

SC member Diana Iskrevka is contributing to the draft of the 7th World Water Forum's Ministerial Statement as a co-coordinator of the Thematic Design Group. Lasha Witmer, on behalf of BE is one of the delegates in the prepcoms. WfWP has provided input in the zero draft of the declaration. Hence, WfWP is actively involved in the content of the final statement. This inter-governmental process is considered to be one of the most important political efforts dedicated to water. The final statement will provide insight on water issues, and will be linked to the future SDG's.

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WfWP will host 3 major events:

- Pre-conference: Gender Equity for a Water- secure Future as part of the Citizen's Forum
- High level session: Women for Water: Agents of Change as part of the Thematic Process 4.4
- Special session: Women for a Water-Secure World: past, present and future.

In collaboration with Butterfly Effect and IYSC, WfWP gained the approval to operate a booth in the exhibition area of the Forum in Gyeongju.

World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP/UNESCO)



WfWP is taking part in the working group on Gender Sensitive Water Monitoring, Assessment and Reporting. The aim of the working group is to select a small number of priority indicators, which will be tested by members. WfWP is involved in the process and lobbied for simplification and alignment with the SDG's, in addition to the inclusion of process, financial and qualitative indicators.

Lobby activities at local level

WfWP sees water and sanitation as an entry point for empowerment of women and to become involved in decision-making processes on water and other activities in their community. Two case studies supporting this claim are the women organisations Tegemeo Women Group (TWG) and Katosi Development Trust (KWDT).

The women of these groups have been empowered throughout water projects and were able to increase their involvement at the local governments and to contribute to the decision-making processes. The women of TWG gained access to meetings of the Mweteni Village Council and the District Authorities of Same in Tanzania. For the first time one of the women stood for council elections. Only a few years ago women were not active in such meetings, let alone make their voices be heard and be taken seriously. Because of their involvement in water projects, these women became self-assured and realised their added value in solving water issues, and so did the men. Through skills training and enlarging their knowledge they have gained the confidence to speak at meetings and actively lobby for their goals.

The women of TWG and KWDT are now advocating for among others:

- Reducing water shortage and providing adequate water and sanitation services;
- Reducing the problems of waterborne effects such as cholera, typhoid, and bilharzia;
- Decreasing the workload of women and thereby creating opportunities for other productive activities;
- Providing a starting point to other activities related to women empowerment and gender equality in the village;

2.2 Knowledge exchange and learning

Exchanging knowledge, learning and building capacity, to empower people. All to stimulate growth. It is a basic fundament of what Women for Water Partnership champions. WfWP enhanced learning and knowledge exchange via several activities for both member organisations and the water sector at large.



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UNU-INWEH

In 2013 UNU INWEH and WfWP started an initiative to understand WfWP; its linkages and values, the benefit for members and individual women and the key role women play in community programmes. A baseline was established to document all water related activities carried out by WfWP members during the Water for Life Decade 2005-2015. The

outcome of this initiative is used twofold: internally, so members share their lessons learnt, and externally, so that the important and undervalued role women's civil society plays can finally be underpinned. These results will support the lobby for women's inclusion in the closing year of the UN Water for Life Decade 2005 – 2015 and the following Post 2015

Development Agenda. The final outcomes will be published in 2015. In 2014 the bulk of the data from member organisations was collected via surveys and skype calls. Interim outcomes were shared and validated during the General Assembly in November. These preliminary results provide highly valuable and significant information for the partnership.

WfWP provides the missing link to connect women internationally

More partners means more brains that can be picked for ideas for the solving of problems that member organisations encounter.

Some outcomes of the interim UNU INWEH report:

- Member organisations believe WfWP has increased opportunities for collaborations and networking; access to seed funding; knowledge enhancement and dissemination; and support for capacity building.
- Joining forces is seen to create a platform for women's voices to be heard and for global collective lobbying, advocating and influencing policies.
- Involvement in a WfWP organisation has exposed members to the international field.
- Members have experienced confidence building, professional and personal growth.



UN Women and WfWP cooperate in the project Women Leadership in Water Cooperation. The main elements of this programme include (i) Portraying women leadership (ii) the session 'How to implement the human Rights to Water and Sanitation' at the GWD-Conference in South Africa; and (iii) a joint Lessons Learnt publication, which was developed and will be published in 2015.

The agreement initially expired in June 2014, however, due to the postponement of both the GWD conference and the follow up Dushanbe working group, a budget neutral extension was granted by UN Women to June 2015.

UN Women, UNW-DPAC and WfWP initiated the project Portraying Women Leadership in Water Cooperation in 2013. In 2014 we continued producing short and poignant video interviews with leading women in the water sector. Approximately 27 clips were filmed in South Africa. These clips demonstrate the role of women in effective water governance at all levels. The portraits aim to increase awareness on the important role of women and inspire others. The clips are displayed on the WfWP website.

WfWP also hosted the joined session with UN Women and UNW-DPAC: *How to implement the Human Rights to Water* at the GWD conference in which several reality cases were presented to WfWP members and to an external audience.

The Lessons Learnt publication in cooperation with UN Women and UNW-DPAC is currently in development and will be published in 2015. The publication showcases case studies that were presented at the Dushanbe Gender Forum in 2013 and at the GWD Conference in 2014. The publication addresses the challenges women's organisations face, aiming to contribute to a transformative, women inclusive development agenda.

The General Assembly was an important momentum for knowledge exchange and learning. Pivotal emphasis was put on knowledge sharing the first and second of November 2014. One afternoon was reserved for members to improve on proposal writing and effective budgeting and a morning session on the above-mentioned UNU INWEH outcomes and validation.

The General Assembly was deliberately organised back to back with the Gender, Water and Development conference in South Africa. Besides internal sharing among members, the

members had the opportunity to enrol in the valuable and interesting sessions the conference had on offer.

2.3 Member projects

WfWP member organisations contribute to universal water access and sustainable governance by implementing demand driven projects in their respective countries. The majority of these projects are independently implemented by the members and not incorporated in this report. In several cases the global secretariat supports member organisations in the development and implementation of their projects. Besides aiming for more equitable and sustainable access to water, strengthening the capacity of member organisations is an important objective. This annual report summarizes project activities of WfWP as a whole and activities directly funded or organised by WfWP as an umbrella organisation. Other activities of WfWP members are not incorporated in this report. These can (partly) be found on our website (www.womenforwater.org).

Between 2005 - 2015 members were active in 100 countries worldwide, completed at least 152 projects, served 1.967.406 beneficiaries with a budget of around \$4.720.700.

In 2014 the projects supported by the secretariat were completed. For an overview of the member projects supported by the secretariat see Appendix C. For an overview of the other member projects see our website (www.womenforwater.org)

Tegemeo Women Group - Tanzania

Mweteni's water project was initiated by grassroots women's group Tegemeo (TWG) to improve access to water and sanitation in the village Mweteni, in the Kilimanjaro region in Tanzania. The project is part of a larger water and sanitation programme, the first to be finalised in 2011. Due to a lack of funding the programme was cut into several phases. It consists of: five water gravity installations, Rainwater Harvesting Units, hygiene education through a train the trainers system, school sanitation and pilots for demonstration toilets. All Rainwater Harvesting units were placed near hospitals and schools, so a large group of people could be served. An important aspect in the project was the creation and training of community owned water user association (WUA) and water committees for each of the gravity schemes, in which the villagers themselves participate, manage and own the installations ensuring sustainable use, affordable tariffs and democratic water governance.

Heikeyu Gravity Scheme, Sunga Gravity Scheme and Rainwater Harvesting Mturo, Rainwater Harvesting Ntambwe, Pareni and Kwamshitu are part of the second phase and are all completed in 2014. TWG and WfWP are currently seeking funds to complete the third and final phase of the project.

The community and TWG were capacitated in financial management and water governance. The project stimulated local economic development, especially generating an income for women, among others via vegetable gardening. The health of the community improved because of the increased awareness on hygiene and safe sanitation practices.

Some highlights of the individual schemes are:



Heikeyu Gravity Scheme

Funded by: Marie-Stella-Maris

Project period: December 2012- May 2014

Budget: €62,558 including €17,559 in kind

The implementation of the Heikeyu Gravity scheme serves 1900 people with access to safe and sustainable drinking water. The community has been trained in Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation. Demonstration Toilets have been installed and seven water points have been completed.



Sunga Gravity Scheme and Rainwater Harvesting Mturo

Funded by: The Coca-Cola Africa Foundation

(TCCAF) and Replenish Africa Initiative (RAIN).

Project Period: March 2013- April 2014.

Budget: €118,092 including €24,700 in kind

The gravity-fed water supply scheme serves safe and sustainable water up to 2000 community members. The rain water harvesting system at Mturo Primary School provides safe water to 255 students. Eleven domestic points were built and sixteen long-term jobs were created through project activities.

Neema Daniel -community member in July 2014:

"I was involved in the realization of the Sunga Gravity Scheme, by digging trenches and taking stones and materials to the site. I had the opportunity to attend meetings at community level and contribute ideas during these meetings. This project reduced the problem of fetching water and we got improved latrines and a clean environment."



Rainwater Harvesting Phase 2- Ntambe, Kwamshitu and Pareni

Funded by: Soroptimist Wassenaar, Retourship Foundation, Action Fund, Klavervrouw project of the Soroptimist Club of Delft.

Project Period: June 2013- June 2014.

Budget:

Ntambe €10,841 including €1,525 in kind

Kwamshitu €10,525 including €1,525 in kind

Pareni €10,905 including €1,525 in kind

The installation of Rainwater Harvesting units was realised to provide adequate water facilities. This solved various issues and beneficiaries were now able to have access to water and teachers were able to cook food for students. Irrigation for school gardens, hygiene practices, washing and cleaning classes was now possible.

Katosi Women Development Trust – Uganda

Katosi Women Development Trust (KWDT) engages women in the rural fishing communities of Mukono district to increase access to safe water, improved hygiene and adequate sanitation. KWDT completed their projects in 2014. The project was acknowledged as a good example of water stewardship. Some highlights of KWDT's projects are:



Women empowerment for WASH access in rural Uganda

Funded by: Nestlé Waters North America-Corporate Affairs

Project period: September 2013-September 2014

Budget: €16,045 including €1864 in kind

The project supports women's households and schools in accessing safe water and sanitation. Seven rain water harvesting tanks and six toilets have been installed

and made accessible to the households and schools. Capacity building of 48 women leaders in leadership skills was part of the project, 24 women masons were trained in tank construction and maintenance and 55 women as Water User Committee members.

"I could not stand the stench from the old toilet, I got sick to the stomach and I am very happy when we are able to change situations like these in our communities". Margaret Nakato Coordinator.

"We now have a better sanitation facility, which does not only serve the school but also the community. The building also serves the community hall, participants of community meetings also use the toilets. The facility is beneficial and we are happy" according to the head teacher of Kamda secondary school Mr. Mibirizi Ssegujja.



Self supply wash for households and schools

Funded by: Marie-Stella-Maris

Project period: December 2013-December 2014

Budget: €57,315 including €5,320 in kind

The project supports women's households and schools in accessing

safe water and sanitation. In total 32 rain water harvesting tanks and 32 domestic bio sand water filters were constructed. Sixteen domestic sanitation facilities for 32 households have been built. 64 KWDT women leaders, 403 group members and 29 women masons have been trained in water management.

3 Operations

In this second part of the report governance, members and organisation structure of the partnership is illustrated. This second part consists of:

- 3.1 Governance and members;
- 3.2 Planning, monitoring and evaluation;
- 3.3 Business Development;
- 3.4 Communication;
- 3.5 Staffing and HR
- 3.6 Finance.

3.1 Governance and Members

General Assembly

The General Assembly (GA) is the ultimate decision making body of WfWP, consisting of representatives of all member organisations. The General Assembly decides on strategy, policy, work plan and budget. In addition, the GA determines membership and strategic partnerships with external organizations. The GA elected a steering committee to govern WfWP on a daily basis.

After a two year hiatus due to financial constraints, the General Assembly convened on the first and second of November 2014 in East London, South Africa. The GA was strategically planned back to back with the Gender Water Development conference, and initially planned to convene early July. However, because the South African government had postponed the conference at last notice, the GA was delayed four months as well. As a consequence, several key decisions were taken electronically mid-2014. The annual report 2013, annual accounts 2013, work plan of 2014, budget 2014 and an update of the Multi Annual Strategic Plan 2011-2015, were all approved by July.²

In South Africa, the composition of the SC members were discussed and it was decided that changes are required to accommodate new developments. The contours of the work plan 2015 and the budget of 2015 were drawn, the latter based on the interim financial report 2014. Time was invested in knowledge exchange and learning as was elaborated on in the previous chapter. During the second day of the GA an overview of what WfWP has achieved was presented, the results of the joint research with UNU INWEH were validated, a donor perspective on WfWP was discussed including our strong and weak points, opportunities and threats. Important future trends were illustrated followed by a visioning exercise for 2016 -2020. Future steps for WfWP were carved out during this exercise in an interactive fashion.

Conclusions of the GA included that all of WfWP's work will be continued within the future SDG context. Water should remain the entry point, striving for water for all, for all uses. WfWP should increase its visibility and better monitoring & evaluation of the partnership as a whole is needed.

Due to the austerity period, HUB Tanzania reverted into a non-active state throughout 2012-2013. At the General Assembly it was decided to prioritise revitalising HUB Tanzania and developing other HUBs such as in Sri Lanka in 2015.

Alice Bouman-Dentener was awarded the title Honorary Founding President by the members. Both an internal and an official farewell were organised to commemorate Ms Bouman-Dentener and the work she and co-founders have achieved over the past decade. Honorable Deputy Minister Rakhimzoda of Tajikistan, Honorary Bai-Mass Taal, Executive Secretary of AMCOW, Sarah Ehrhardt on behalf of GWP President Ursula Schaefer Preuss,

² SDC approved our MASP under the condition that it would be linked to the SDG's, hence an update was necessary.

and President Mariet Verhoef-Cohen commemorated hard work, the incredible achievements so far and a partnership that grew up to 26 member organisations.

Member Organisations

Member organisations form the heart of the partnership. WfWP's members are unique and diverse, and have wide-ranging aims and themes. The members range from women organisations of professionals and implementing-, advocating- or funding organisations (or a combination of the above mentioned characteristics). Members are spread all over the world, operating from Western Europe, to the EECCA region, Africa, Asia, the America's and the Caribbean. Members range from local organisations, building rain water harvesting tanks in water deprived and isolated villages, empowering local women in the process. They range from organisations raising national awareness on proper hand washing practices, to organisations co-drafting national or even international water policies.

What these members unites is their fight for gender equality and using water as an entry point for empowerment. 'Water for all, for all uses'. The members are all –one way or another- active contributors to the gender-water-sustainable development nexus. Because of their diversity, a connection can be created, linking the most abstract and high-level policies to the most down to earth, local realities on the ground. Bridging top down to bottom up, translating actual needs to effective policies; a golden combination.

In 2014 the Women for Water Partnership expanded to 26 members, covering approximately 100 countries. At the GA the members had the opportunity to reconnect and intensify their relationships. The members are supported by WfWP in three ways: getting access to a (high level) podium and hence acquire the opportunity to be heard at national and international level. By stimulating knowledge sharing and learning members become empowered and more knowledgeable on lessons learnt and how to secure funding. Last, several projects of members are sponsored by WfWP.

WfWP received seven applications for joining the partnership. Five applications were incomplete and one did not meet the criteria. The GA approved one application and in August the GA welcomed its newest member; Water Mothers from Myanmar. For the list of WfWP member organisations see Annex D.³

Steering Committee

The Steering Committee (SC) is responsible for the overall governance of the partnership, for developing its strategy and policies, for executing the decisions made by the General Assembly in accordance with the objectives of the partnership, and for overseeing the secretariat. SC-members are nominated by the member organisations and can serve two consecutive terms of three years.

In 2014, the Steering Committee consisted of the following members (for additional information i.e. the terms see Appendix E):

- Alice Bouman-Dentener, President until 31 March 2014 (The Netherlands);
- Mariet Verhoef-Cohen, President from 1 April (The Netherlands);
- Wazna Hamidullahkhan, Honorary Secretary (The Netherlands);
- Diana Iskrevva-Indigo, Treasurer (Bulgaria);
- Asha Abdulrahman, Africa Coordinator (Kenya);
- Emma Anakhasyan, Member project coordination and coordination of the EECCA region (Armenia);
- Kathy Kelly, coordinator Americas and the Caribbean (USA).

³ Appendix D MO list

Five board meetings took place in 2014. Two meetings were face to face in The Netherlands (15-16 February) and in South Africa respectively (31 October) and three were skype meetings (31 March, 31 May and 13 - 20 September).

3.2 Planning, monitoring and evaluation

Due to the lack of capacity and the election process of WfWP president and the transition period beginning 2014, the work plan and budget were approved mid-2014. An update of the Multi Annual Strategic Plan (MASP) 2011-2015 was mandatory for core funder SDC. An addendum of the MASP, among others featuring the recognition of the future sustainable development goals, was added and approved by the GA.

WfWP's standard monitoring system includes its annual plan, annual accounts and annual report. In addition, member projects managed or coordinated by WfWP are closely monitored. WfWP regularly and transparently reports back to the donors. WfWP has a close, open and regular contact with the financial partners.

An important and strategic monitoring opportunity was initiated during the GA; WfWP took a leading step for a common monitoring approach among its members. This monitoring approach is linked to the WWAP activity developing gender-disaggregated indicators and the future SDG elements. An inventory was carried out, deciding on the elements most important for each individual member. Next monitoring steps will be piloted in 2015. With these results WfWP will effectively start to monitor WfWP's activities, interventions and impacted results on an annual basis.

3.3 Business Development

WfWP has been actively raising funds, i.e. additional core funding, funding for global projects and funding for member projects. WfWP reconciled with several contacts among others in Stockholm and The Netherlands, resulting into new business opportunities. A lot of time was spent on business development, since several type of formats were requested per application and a track record needed to be written. WfWP approached the following organisations for funding:

- Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the period 2016 – 2020, type and amount unknown. WfWP applied for funding in the call "Dialogue and Dissent" together with the Max Foundation, Waste and RUAF. The partnership focuses around: Basic goods: water, sanitation, food, waste, energy; Lobby and advocacy role of civil society; Urbanizing areas and changing relationship between rural and urban;
- World Water Forum (7th WWF);
- Soroptimist and Marie Stella Maris/Aqua for All: follow up member project in Tanzania;
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD): a 2 track record was submitted
- UN Women: a 2 pager for a new strategic partnership for the coming 5 years was submitted;
- ABN AMRO Philanthropy: member projects in East Africa for 1 – 3 years;

3.4 Communication

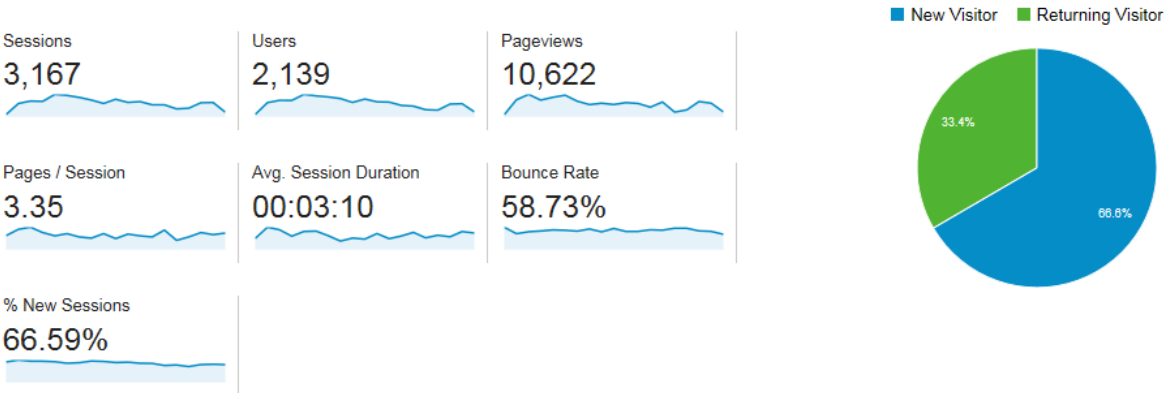
Clear improvements on Communication have been incorporated in 2014, especially in regard to the WfWP website. The website of WfWP was in need of an upgrade. The content and interface-design were updated as well as the control-management-panel. A film and photo-presentation-module was built in the website as part of the UN Women – Portraying Women Leadership project. A project-map module was initialised as a spin-off of the joint UNU INWEH mapping exercise. This module will be completed in 2015 and contains the member projects carried out between 2005 and 2015. A PayPal option is added to the website, in which interested parties are able to sponsor WfWP in general or member projects in specific.

The WfWP website provides a regular (weekly) update and distributes relevant information and news regarding water and/or women. WfWP published three press releases in 2014, announcing the ten-year existence of WfWP, Mariet Verhoef-Cohen succeeding Alice Bouman-Dentener as WfWP president and the Gender Water and Development conference convening in South Africa, which was co-hosted by WfWP. In addition, invitations from external parties are distributed via the site as well.

Social media has been a global phenomenon that is ever growing and expanding. WfWP acknowledges the importance of incorporating a social media plan into our business and marketing strategies. WfWP attracted two interns (International Bachelor Communication and Media students) to write a social media plan. The plan was developed in October and reported about WfWP’s website, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and LinkedIn. Clear and simple solutions were offered how to significantly improve our visibility. These suggestions will be implemented in the course of 2015.

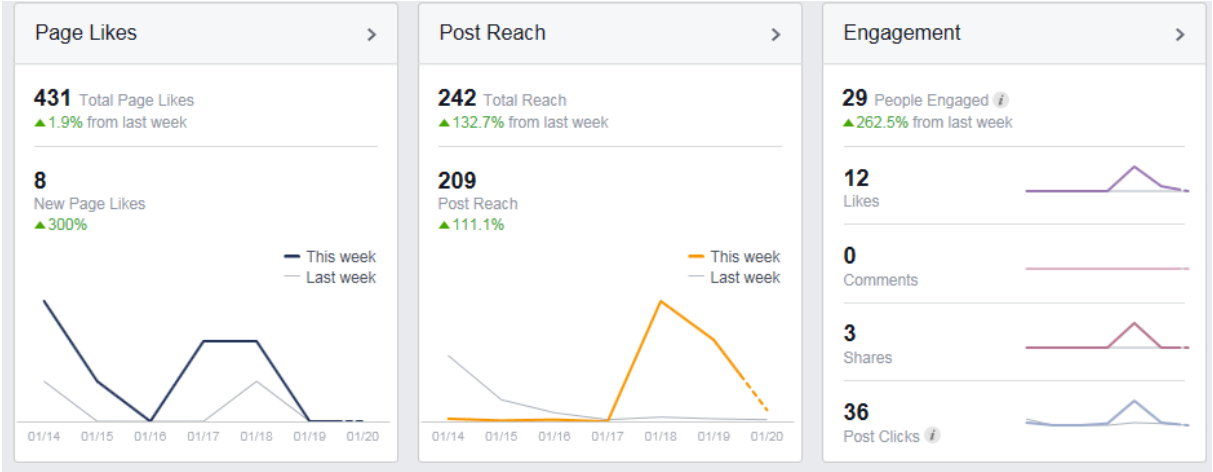
The GA requested a solution to increase horizontal communication between members, which will be improved in 2015.

Table 1 Google Analytics Website Behaviour Overview Results 18 September 2014 – 18 December 2014



There have been a total of 10,622 page views, of which 3,167 were sessions, and 2,139 were users. The users came back to the website for more information. Users viewed an average of 3.35 pages per session, and spent an average of 3.10 minutes on the site. Out of the 3,167 sessions, 2,109 were new visitors, and 1,058 were returning visitors. It is important to note that the page visits had a bounce rate of 58,73%, which means that most visitors did not click on other pages than the homepage on the website.

Table 2 Facebook Insights Posts January 2015



In January 2014, there were increases in the page likes, post reach and user engagement.

3.5 Staffing and HR

The partnership and its governing bodies are supported by a lean secretariat in The Netherlands. The secretariat was significantly reduced to a total of 8 hours per week as a consequence of the austerity period. However, due to the cooperation agreement with SDC, WfWP has gained the opportunity to reinstate the global secretariat in 2014. The SC decided that an appointment of an Executive Director would be critical for the future of the partnership. Throughout 2014 the team has been renewed. Since the appointment of the Executive Director in June, performance of the staff is reviewed on a regular basis. Due to the postponement of the GWD conference, double work had to be done, which took up a considerable amount of extra time. The staff changes taking place in 2014 are:

- Diantha Brackel, planning and control. Diantha has a contract of 5 hours per week.
- Maaïke Batist, programme and project officer has been working for WfWP for 2 years. Maaïke's contract increased from 8 hours per week to 24 as of January and her contract ended in August 2014.
- Soebhana Hamidullahkhan started 1 January 2014 as administration officer for WfWP until 1 September. Soebhana worked 12 hours per week.
- Frederique Holle started 1 January 2014 as policy officer. Frederique has a contract of 24 hours per week (from March to July an addendum for another 12 hours per week in anticipation of the Gender Water and Development conference was in effect).
- Ilse Mijnhart started 1 May as Communication Trainee. Ilse started with a contract for 24 hours. As of September Ilse's contract was extended to 36 hours, as she took up the task of project officer and secretary.
- Annemiek Jenniskens started 1 June as Executive Director. Annemiek has a contract of 36 hours per week.

WfWP bids farewell to both Maaïke and Soebhana and sincerely appreciate their hard work, motivation and enthusiasm especially during the austerity period in which their efforts have been indispensable for WfWP.

3.6 Finance

The budget of WfWP is divided into different sections:

- Core funding to cover operational costs of WfWP and core activities. We have one core funder: Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC)
- Global projects referring to the funding for a specific project relevant for the entire organisation. We have one global project funder in 2014: UN Women
- Member organisations (MO) projects whereby WfWP raises funds and sometimes manages a project on behalf of a member organisation. The main part of the funds are being transferred to the member organisations. In 2014 6 projects funded by Marie Stella Maris/Aqua for All, Coca Cola Foundation, Nestle, Soroptimist International of Europe.

The total original budget of 2014 was €1,164,248 including a voluntary contribution of € 632,000. In the end the number of voluntary hours has been lower, due to the fact that professional staff was hired at the secretariat. However, the actual voluntary contribution of €461,841 remains high. The results of WfWP in 2014 could not have been reached without the voluntary contribution of the steering committee, former chair and members.

The original cash budget of 2014 was € 532,248 including the entire amount of the overflow of the SDC budget 2013.

In July it was decided to economize and not to spend the budget of 2014 entirely to enable WfWP to have sufficient funding for the first half year of 2015. The total expenses were € 384,665 instead of the budgeted € 521,428. WfWP succeeded to create a reserve of € 142,768 to continue its work in 2015.

The main differences between the budget and the draft actual overview of income and expenditure are explained below:

Income

- There is a difference of € 4,816 between planned income and received income, mainly due to the fact that interest was 75% lower than estimated.
- The difference between planned and received income of member projects is €3,945

Expenditure

- The GA expenses were higher due to the postponement of the GWD conference. The total costs were €87,291. We got a subsidy of € 13,645 from the government of South Africa to compensate for expenses caused by the postponement. UN Women and the Soroptimist contributed as well.
- The main reduction is caused by the decision to work with a smaller team at the secretariat.
- The secretariat economized also on other operational cost.
- As regards the core activities, the website was revised, however as stated in par 3.6 improvements are still necessary
- Advocacy: As you can read in par 2.1 there have been a lot of activities in this field. Participation to events was in most cases supported by others. Unfortunately the secretariat does not have specific information about this type of sponsoring. A part of this budget is used to cover the expenses of the GA.
- For business development no expenses were made, however many activities took place in this field which is showed a.o. in the overview of "projects" in the pipeline (par 3.3)
- For networks and partners, membership fees were scrutinized. For example the SC decided to stop its membership of the Netherlands Water Platform because of the high fee for membership
- Members projects are on track. Final reports have been written, except for the one in Uganda (2013-006) because this project ended at 31/12/2014. After approval of the final reports, WfWP will receive the last transfers. Furthermore WfWP had to invest more time in management of the projects of Tegemeo Women Group in Mweteni, due to the fact that the hired project manager had to be dismissed.

Income and expenditure in 2014	Actual 2014 in Euro	Budget 2014 in Euro	Actual 2013 in Euro	Actual 2014 in USD
Income				
Core funds				
SDC	353,730	353,358	202,979	427,058
Global projects				
GL/US/2013 Women Leadership	38,353	55,080	18,381	46,304
MO projects				
MO/AF/KE2010 – 065 RWH Mwiuhoko			33,718	
MO/AF/2011-L09022 Mweteni			2,947	
MO/AF/TZ/2013-001 - Mweteni Heikeyu scheme	13,813	16,063	28,937	16,676
MO/AF/TZ/2013-002 - Mweteni Sunga Gravity scheme; RWH Mturo Primary School	19,142	16,579	58,329	23,110
MO/AF/TZ/2013-004 – Mweteni RWH Ntambe and Pareni	10,415	12,008	8,444	12,574
MO/AF/TZ/2013-007- Mweteni Kwamshitu primary school	9,500	10,840		11,469
MO/AF/UG/2013 – 005 Enhance women’s capacities for Wash in rural Uganda		1,325	12,381	-
MO/AF/UG/2013- 006 Self supply WASH for households and schools KWDT Uganda	51,995	51,995		62,774
Sub Total Member Projects	104,865	108,810	144,821	126,603
Miscellaneous				
Contribution GWD conference	15,264			18,428
Interest	1,220	5,000	115	1,473
Charity discounts	14,000	10,000	4,923	16,902
Total Income (cash)	527,432	532,248	371,219	636,768
In kind contributions				
Contributions Third Parties	3,420		197,206	4,129
Volunteer Contribution	461,841	632,000	434,190	557,581
Total Income	992,693	1,164,248	1,002,615	1,198,478
Expenditure				
Operational costs				
GA	54,330	54,180		65,592
SC	24,058	24,420	7,245	29,045
Auditor	5,360	4,800	5,275	6,471
Secretariat	155,797	213,474	36,767	188,093
Sub Total operational	239,545	296,874	49,287	289,201
WFWP core activities				
Communication/website	16,569	17,700	3,770	20,004
Advocacy	6,948	59,483		8,388
Business development		9,400	5,601	
Network/partners	2,090	8,000		2,523
Sub Total	25,607	94,583	9,371	30,915
Global projects				
GL/US/2013- Women Leadership	36,047	35,080	18,381	43,520

MO Projects				
MO/AF/KE2010 - 065 RWH Mwiuhoko			32,066	
MO/AF/TZ/2013-001 - Mweteni Heikeyu scheme	10,754	15,057	25,918	12,983
MO/AF/TZ/2013-002 - Mweteni Sunga Gravity scheme; RWH Mturo Primary School	11,091	13,013	56,066	13,390
MO/AF/TZ/2013-004 - Mweteni RWH Ntambe and Pareni	7,725	10,045	7,357	9,326
MO/AF/TZ/2013-007- Mweteni Kwamshitu primary school	6,901	9,315		8,332
MO/AF/UG/2013 - 005 Enhance women's capacities for Wash in rural Uganda		466	11,900	
MO/AF/UG/2013- 006 Self supply WASH for households and schools KWDT Uganda	46,995	46,995		56,737
Sub Total Member Projects	83,466	94,891	133,307	100,768
Total expenditures (cash)	384,665	521,428	210,346	464,404
In kind contributions				
Contributions Third Parties	3,420		197,206	4,129
Volunteer contribution	461,841	632,000	434,190	557,581
Total expenditures	849,926	1,153,428	841,742	1,026,114
Result	142,768	10,820	160,873	172,364

Appendix A Events and Conferences 2014

Event	Date	Location	Theme	Contribution WfWP	WfWP represented by
UN Water: Water for Life	13-16 January 2014	Zaragoza Spain	The nexus of Water and Energy	Case Mweteni Tegemeo group presented	A Bouman - Dentener
UNESCO IHE	7 March 2014	Delft, the Netherlands	Equality for Women is Progress for All	Discussions	M. Verhoef-Cohen
2 nd Stakeholders meeting WWF 7	27-28 February 2014	South Korea	Preparation of WWF7	Plenary presentation: pre-conference Gender and Water. Facilitation Round Table: Civil Forum putting gender in the centre. Facilitation Round Table Thematic issue 4.4 Water, Cultures, Justice and equity	D Iskreva
International Women Day	7 March	Delft	Tapping into the unlocked potential of women in emergencies		M Verhoef-Cohen
International Women Day	8 March	Geneva	Appropriate financing for women development		A Bouman - Dentener
CSW 58	10 - 21 March 2014	New York, USA	Challenges and achievements in implementation of the MDG's	Panellist: Women's empowerment and leadership for sustainable water governance and development: Myanmar case Women as Agents of Change	Khin Ni Ni Thein K Kelly
Sixth peer review and joint learning event on Water Governance Portfolio	March	Neuchatel, Geneva	Learning event on Water Governance Portfolio	Providing a Gender perspective	A Bouman Dentener
1 st African Water Integrity Learning Summit	29-30 April 2014	Lusaka, Zambia	Accelerating Towards A Water Secure World	Case Mwhiko Women Group: Social Accountability Approach to Rainwater Harvesting	A Abdulrahman

5e Africa Water Week	26 – 31 May 2014	Dakar Senegal	Placing Water at the heart of Post 2015 Development Agenda		A Abdulrahman
Menstrual Hygiene Day			Goal: break the silence and build awareness about good menstrual hygiene		K Kelly
World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP/UNESCO)	09 – 13 June	Rome Italy	Start process if facilitating a selection of 4 to 5 basic gender disaggregated indicators.	Working group sessions	F Holle
Protocol on Water and Health Regional workshop on linkages with other existing reporting mechanism related to Water and Health	3 July 2014	Geneva, Switzerland	Ways to link target setting and reporting under the Protocol with existing national monitoring and reporting mechanism related to water and health	Working group members	E Anakhasyan
Protocol on Water and Health 7 th meeting of taskforce on target setting and reporting	4 July 2014	Geneva	Results of the second reporting exercise and addressing the compliance of parties to the protocol		E Anakhasyan
ONG Comité de Liaison UNESCO	30-31 July 2014	Yamoussoukro Cote d'Ivoire	Access to Water: a fundamental human right	Intervention Pollution African Rivers	M Verhoef Cohen replaced by Mariam Konate (SIE)
World Water Week	31 Aug - 5 sept 2014	Stockholm, Sweden	Energy and water - final entry date abstracts 19 Jan. 2014	Co-organiser UNESCO-WWAP session on gender indicators UNW-DPAC Stakeholder dialogue EUWI	M Verhoef Cohen, A Bouman, A.Jenniskens, D Iskrevva
Seventh peer review and joint learning event on Water Governance Portfolio	8 – 10 September 2014	Neuchatel and Geneva	Review and joint learning Water Governance Portfolio of SDC Global Programme Water Initiatives	Providing a Gender Perspective	A Bouman Dentener Annemiek Jenniskens
Meeting of the Coordinators,	25 October 2014	Marseille - France	Coordination of the preparation on Thematic, Regional	Co-coordinator for 4.4 Thematic Process:	D Iskrevva

WWF 7, Korea 2015			and Science & Technology Processes.	Water cultures, justice and equity	
Meeting World Water Council	27-28 October 2014	Marseille - France	53 rd Board of Governors meeting Thematic Meeting		M Verhoef Cohen D Iskreva
Gender Water and Development Conference	3-7 November	East London, South Africa	Gender, water and development - the untapped connection	Co-host of the conference and responsible for 3 sessions	SC and GA
Tenth meeting of the Protocol's Compliance Committee	25 November 2014	Geneva, Switzerland	Discuss follow up actions	Deputy Chair	D Iskreva
Seventh meeting of the Working Group on Water and Health	26 - 27 November 2014	Geneva, Switzerland	Review the implementation of the programme of work for the period 2014–2016 and to provide guidance on its further development		E Anakhasyan A Tsvetkova
The 1 st Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Water Dialogue Forum and Expo "Water for Regional Cooperation"	8-10 December 2014	KICC, Nairobi 8 th – 10 th December 2014	To discuss the strategies on how member states, can enhance resilience to drought and climate vulnerability areas in the region.		A Abdulrahman
PrepCom Ministerial Process, WWF 7, Korea 2015	17-18 Dec. 2014	Paris	1 st preparatory meeting for the ministerial declaration from WWF 7 in Korea 2015	Co-coordinator, Thematic design group 4.4. Presentation of Thematic 4.4. ; statement on behalf of NGO community	D Iskreva
UN WWAP UNESCO Second Workshop of the Working Group	11-13 December, 2014	Italy	WfWP is actively supporting WWAP on gender sensitive water monitoring		E Anakhasyan

Appendix B Partnerships and Alliances

Financial and Strategic Partnerships	Type	Since
SDC	Core funding	2013
UN Women	Global Project based	2013
Aqua for All	Member Project based	2004
SIE clubs	Member Project based	
Marie Stella Maris	Member Project based	
GETF	Member Project based	

Co-organising events	Type	Since
UNESCO	Session during 7 th WWF	
UNESCO-IHE	Joint event for World Women's Day & World Water Day	2009

Joint activities	Type	Since
UNU-INWEH	Network mapping	2013
WWAP Working Group	Defining gender disaggregated data	

Other Strategic Alliances	Type	Since
UN Water	Bi annual meetings with partners	2010
European Water Partnership	Advisory Board	2009
World Water Council	GA assembly and preparations 7 th WWF	2009
UNW-DPAC	Joint project with UN Women	2013??
Butterfly Effect	Mainly geared towards 7 th WWF preparations	
AKVO		2009
International Water Association		2009 - 2015
European Water Stewardship	Participated in drafting the standard	
Gender Water Alliance		
Global Water Challenge	Member	
EU Water Initiatives	WfWP in coordinating group EUWI and regional working groups	

Appendix C Member Projects

No	PROJECT	DONOR	STATUS	Achievements
1	Sunga Scheme TWG	Coca Cola and RAIN	Completed	The gravity-fed water supply scheme serves safe and sustainable water up to 2000 community members. The rain water harvesting system at Mturo Primary School provides safe water to 255 students. Eleven domestic points were built and sixteen long-term jobs were created through project activities.
2	Haeikeyu Scheme TWG	Marie Stella Maris	Completed	The implementation of the Heikeyu Gravity scheme serves 1900 people with access to safe and sustainable drinking water. The community has been trained in Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation. Demonstration toilets have been installed and seven water points have been completed.
3	Ntambe and Pareni TWG	Soroptimist Wassenaar Klavervrouw Action Fund	Completed	The installation of Rainwater Harvesting units was realised to provide adequate water facilities. This solved various issues and beneficiaries were now able to have access to water and teachers were able to cook food for students. Irrigation for school gardens, hygiene practices, washing and cleaning classes was now possible.
4	Kwamshitu TWG	Retourship Foundation Klavervrouw	Completed	The installation of Rainwater Harvesting units was realised to provide adequate water facilities. This solved various issues and beneficiaries were now able to have access to water and teachers were able to cook food for students. Irrigation for school gardens, hygiene practices, washing and cleaning classes was now possible.
5	<i>Self-supply wash for households and schools</i> KWDT	Marie Stella Maris	Completed	The project supports women's households and schools in accessing safe water and sanitation. 32 rain water harvesting tanks and 32 domestic bio sand water filters were constructed. Sixteen domestic sanitation facilities for 32 households have been built. 64 KWDT women leaders, 403 group members and 29 women masons have been trained in water management.
6	<i>Women empowerment for WASH access in rural Uganda</i> KWDT	Nestlé - Waters	<i>Completed</i>	The project supports women's households and schools in accessing safe water and sanitation. Seven rain water harvesting tanks and six toilets have been installed and made accessible to the households and schools. Capacity building of 48 women leaders in leadership skills was part of the project, 24 women masons were trained in tank construction and maintenance and 55 women as Water User Committee members.

Appendix D Member Organisations



3VO: NBvP Vrouwen van Nu, Passage, NVVH

Focus area: The Netherlands - Global

Main themes: Women's Empowerment & Gender Equality

Members: 77 800

Level: Local and National

In 2006 the national women's organisations in the Netherlands: NBvP Vrouwen van Nu, Passage and NVVH Vrouwen netwerk joined forces in their membership to WfWP. The mission of the Dutch (rural) women organisations is to enable women to be active citizens in all spheres of life. In this context, the women organisations raise awareness on water related issues, sustainable development and women's empowerment. They support and implement water and sanitation projects with local partners worldwide.

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AWHHE: Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment

Focus area: Armenia & EECCA Region

Main themes: Health & Environment, Women Empowerment

Members: 27

Level: Local, National and International

AWHHE was established in 1999 as a non-governmental women's organisation of health professionals and environmentalists. AWHHE's mission is to promote the human right to live in a healthy environment and to address environmental pollution. Key activities include raising public awareness about environmental pollutants, conducting independent monitoring and investigations on water supply management and the promotion of the ratification of Water and Health Protocol.

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BPW International: International Federation of Business and Professional Women

Focus area: Global

Main themes: Women's Economic Empowerment, Gender Equality, Social Equity, & Sustainable dev.

Members: 30.000 in 98 countries

Beneficiaries: > 45 000

Level: Local, National, Continental & International

BPW International was established in 1930 in Geneva as the international Federation of Business and Professional Women; its current Headquarters is in Australia. The organisation aims to foster professional and leadership potential of women at all levels. Through its Standing Committee on environment BPW International addresses sustainable development and integrated water resource management at international level and promotes projects by members in this field.

www.bpw-europe.org

BSCW: Black Sea Women's Club

Focus area: Black Sea Region

Main themes: Sustainable Development, Environment, Water and Women Empowerment

Members: 6 organisations

Level: Basin level

BSCW, established in 2007, is a regional network of six environmental NGO's working in the Black Sea region with HQ in Ukraine. It covers Moldova, Romania and Georgia. BSCW is a network of women leaders promoting gender equality, sustainable development and the protection of water resources. BSCW is particularly involved in stimulating inter-state co-operation with regard to trans boundary water issues.

www.bswc.org

CONSAM

Focus area: Colombia

Main themes: Sustainable Development, Water & Sanitation

Members: 6

Beneficiaries: > 30 000

Level: Local, National and Basin level

CONSAM was founded in 1989 by female sanitary and environmental engineers. CONSAM's mission is to improve the quality of life and public health of South American communities. CONSAM offers integral solutions to environmental sanitation issues and promotes an integrated use and management of water. Key activities include empowering local communities, capacity building and protecting the natural environment.

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Earth Forever

Focus area: Bulgaria & EECCA Region

Main themes: Sustainable and Rural Sanitation, School Hygiene & Water and Gender Equitability

Beneficiaries: > 26 000

Level: Local, National and Regional

Earth Forever is a Bulgarian Foundation established in 1998 with the aim to promote sustainable development through proper environmental management, efficient economic practice and social justice. In the field of sustainable, rural and school sanitation and hygiene, Earth Forever raises civil awareness, implements infrastructural projects, involves citizens focussing on the specific needs of women and girls, and works closely with decision-makers to ensure sustainable operation.

www.earthforever.org

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KWDT: Katosi Women Development Trust

Focus area: Uganda

Main themes: Water & Sanitation, Economic Empowerment and Women Leadership

Members: 425

Beneficiaries: 3 400

Level: Local

KWDT is a partnership of 16 women groups in rural areas in Uganda, established in 1996. KWDT's mission is to improve the living standards of poor, rural peasant communities, and in particular women. Since 2002, the organisation has adopted an integrated WATSAN program. Via this program KWDT supports rural women

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and communities to access safe and clean water, adequate sanitation, and stimulates behavioural change to improve sanitation and hygiene practices to minimise water and hygiene related diseases. KWDT's thrives on local capacity building to ensure sustainability of the programs. Through the integrated empowerment programs, women are enabled to take up leading positions in their communities.

www.katosi.org
katosiwomen@katosi.org

MAMA-86

Focus area: Ukraine and EECCA Region
Main themes: Environmental Law, Water & Sanitation

Members: 198

Beneficiaries: 50 000

Level: Local, Regional, National, Basin level and International

MAMA-86 is a national environmental network established in 1990 by mothers worried about Chernobyl effects on environment and health. It now has 17 branches in the different regions of Ukraine. MAMA-86 acts for eco-democracy, greening policy and practice, equal access to WASH, IWRM, river basin principles implementation and chemical safety. MAMA-86 works on strengthening the role of mothers in education of society and in the decision-making processes to improve the living standards of citizens of Ukraine. Activities include sustainable development promotion, addressing environmental challenges, conducting independent research, good practices development and scale up, and public monitoring and lobbying.

www.mama-86.org.ua
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M&S: Medium et Sanitas

Focus area: Romania
Main themes: Environmental Awareness, Water Management and Sustainable Development

Members: 5

Beneficiaries: > 700

Level: Local, Regional, National and Basin Level

Medium and Sanitas is a Romanian organisation that aims to contribute solutions to cross border water conflicts in Eastern Europe. M&S advocates these interstate issues within the EU, provides recommendations on legislative matters, monitors the implementation of the new drinking water law in Romania and actively engages in reducing health effects of water pollution.

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Isenim (Mehriban)

Focus area: Uzbekistan
Main themes: Water and Sanitation, Environment

Members: 20

Beneficiaries: 3 400

Level: Local

Mehriban, based in the autonomous Republic Karakalpakstan, aims to promote sustainable development and increased access to safe water in this region. Mehriban focuses primarily on improved sanitation and drinking water supplies in schools.

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Melania

Focus areas: Africa, Asia, and Latin America
Main themes: Poverty, Women Empowerment, Development Cooperation

Members: 50

Beneficiaries: 5 000

Level: Local

Melania is a Dutch women volunteer organization established in 1921 whose mission is to support the poorest segments in global society through direct support to women. Melania works through partnerships with women's groups in countries of Africa, Asia and Latin America. Melania's activities include micro-finance projects including for water & sanitation.

www.melania.nl
info@melania.nl

NetWwater

Focus area: Sri Lanka
Main themes: Integrated Water Resources Management and Women's Empowerment

Members: 12

Beneficiaries: 450 000

Level: National, Local

NetWwater is the Sri Lankan women forum for water professionals founded in 1999. Through its 'Women, Water and Wisdom Agenda', the organisation promotes empowerment of women in the water sector through holistic water management. Key activities include: capacity building and advocacy in climate change adaptation, catchment conservation, facilitation of interactive water dialogues with stakeholders and sharing water related knowledge amongst youth groups and women's groups. Special interests are school WATSAN programs and Rain Water Harvesting.

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NVB: The National Women's Movement Suriname (SA)

Focus area: Suriname
Main themes: Sustainable Social and Economic Development of Women, Environmental Awareness and Biodiversity, Water Management

Beneficiaries: > 6 000

Level: Local, National, Regional, Basin level, International

NVB is an intermediate women's organisation between local and national level in Suriname. The foundation promotes gender equality, micro-entrepreneurship, conservation of bio-diversity, environmental awareness and water management. NVB supports several Community Based Organizations in rural areas by building capacity for sustainable drinking water facilities, low-cost irrigation and sanitation. NVB supports the empowerment of women and development of sustainable income generating activities.

www.nvbsuriname.com

n.v.b@sr.net

NVR: Netherlands Council of Women

Focus area: The Netherlands and Global
Main themes: Gender Equality, Women Empowerment and Sustainable Development

Members 47 organisations

Level: Local, National, Regional and International

Since 1898, the Council is the national umbrella of women's organisations/networks in the Netherlands.

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Currently NVR has a rank and file of up to 1 million women from different sectors in society. The NVR aims to achieve the full and equal participation of women at all levels in society and fosters sustainable development and equitable growth on the basis of gender equality.
www.nederlandsevroutenraad.nl
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SIE: Soroptimist International of Europe

Focus area: Europe, Caribbean and Africa
Main themes: Women Empowerment
Members: 1263 clubs in 60 countries
Beneficiaries: <35 000
Level: Local, Regional, National and International
Soroptimist International of Europe is a service organisation of professional women in Europe and parts of Africa with HQ in Geneva, Switzerland. SIE strives for a better world for women and children through awareness, advocacy and action. SIE services local communities and stimulates active participation in decision making at all levels of society. On average SIE supports 6.750 projects with a gross net amount of € 7.5 million per year inclusive of mentoring and scholarship projects. Since 2007 SIE supports WASH projects, related to safe drinking water and sanitation.
www.soroptimisteurope.org
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TGNP: Tanzania Gender Networking Programme

Focus area: Tanzania
Main themes: Gender Justice and Women Empowerment
Members: 20
Beneficiaries: > 10 000
Level: National
TGNP is an activist organization with restricted membership established in 1993. The TGNP mission is to promote gender equality and equity at all levels of society. Key activities include: policy advocacy, awareness raising and monitoring. TGNP has a focus on pro-poor policy development. Providing access to water and sanitation is an important entry point.
www.tgnp.org
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TWG: Tegemeo Women Group

Focus area: Same District, Tanzania
Main Themes: Women and Business, Water and Sanitation and Sustainable Development
Members: 22
Beneficiaries: > 13 000
Level: Local
Tegemeo Women Group is a grassroots organisation in Mweni, Tanzania and founded in 2001. The mission of TWG is to promote gender equality at community level. TWG empowers women by supporting them to set up small-scale businesses to strengthen their economic independence. TWG also focuses on water and sanitation services and empowers women by educating them on hygiene practices and their rights.
tgemeowomengroup@gmail.com

UWFWS: Uganda Women for Water and Sanitation

Focus area: Uganda
Main themes: Water and Sanitation, Environment
Beneficiaries: 240 000
Level: Local and National

UWFWS is a Ugandan organisation, which believes that access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene should be a reality for all. UWFWS targets women in rural and peri-urban areas, living below the poverty line. Key activities include raising awareness on sanitation and hygiene practices and gaining commitment of political, social and opinion leaders on these water related issues.

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VAM: Women and Labour Market Foundation

Focus area: The Netherlands and ACP countries
Main themes: Women Empowerment, Women and Business
Beneficiaries: > 150 000
Level: Local and National
Since 2003 VAM Foundation promotes gender equality and equity by creating economic independence for women, including in the field of water and sanitation. VAM specializes in made-to-measure vocational training and capacity development for women to manage their local facilities, acquire job qualifications and enter the labour market.
www.stichtingvam.nl
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Water Mothers Myanmar

WEP: Women Environmental Programme

Focus area: Nigeria
Main themes: Environment, Women Empowerment
Members: 3 000
Level: Local and National
WEP was set up in 2003 by a group of grassroots women in Nigeria. WEP addresses issues related to environmental pollution and injustices on economic and social rights of women, children and youth. WEP implements rural water and sanitation projects and works on gender mainstreaming at policy level.
www.wepnigeria.net
info@wepnigeria.net

WFT: Women Fund Tanzania

Focus area: Tanzania
Main Themes: Women's Empowerment
Level: National and International
WFT was established in 2008 with the aim to empower women by strengthening their capacity, building strategic alliances in Tanzania and beyond, raising funds for women's groups and by strengthening women and their organisations by providing grants.
www.womenfundtanzania.org
info@wft.or.tz

WISDOM: Women in Sustainable Development of Moldova

Focus area: Moldova
Main themes: Sustainability, Environmental Integrity and Water & Sanitation
Members: 13
Beneficiaries: > 40 000
Level: Local and National
WISDOM is a women's organisation that was founded in 2004 to promote the participation of women in a sustainable development. WISDOM concentrates on the

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elaboration of sustainable strategies, implementation of demonstrational projects and dissemination of good practices. WISDOM builds capacity in the field of rural development, poverty alleviation, health and hygiene, (drinking) water supply and sustainable development.
www.conference.wisdom.md
wisdom2004@gmail.com

WOFAN: Women Farmers Advancement Network

Focus area: Nigeria

Main themes: Women and Business, Rural Development, Sustainability, Food Security

Beneficiaries: 250 network groups, comprising 6 250 individual women from 6 Northern states of Nigeria

Level: Local

WOFAN was founded in 1993 and strives for a sustainable improvement on the quality of life of the rural population in Nigeria. WOFAN applies a train the trainers approach using community-based facilitators. WOFAN mainstreams gender through empowering local women to participate in activities to improve access to safe drinking water and the multiples uses of water in the agricultural sector through the value chain system. The organisation is the official lead in promoting the National Hand washing Campaign and scaling up of women activities from peasant voiceless farmers to self-sustaining entrepreneurs.

www.wofan-ng.org

info@wofan-ng.org

WPLUS: Women Professionals in Land Use Sector

Focus area: Nepal and South East Asia

Main themes: Rural Development, Women's Empowerment, Natural Resources Management

Members: 200

Beneficiaries: >500

Level: Local, National and Regional

WPLUS in Nepal is an association of female professionals in the land use sector, founded in 1997. Memberships range from professionals in agriculture, forestry and engineering to planning and sociology. WPLUS has a key focus on natural resource management. In addition, WPLUS works towards an effective progress of women by creating a forum for women to exchange and share their experiences.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/awplus>

wplusoffice@womenforwater.org

WROC: Women's Resource and Outreach Centre

Focus area: Jamaica

Main themes: Sustainable Development and Women's Empowerment

Beneficiaries: 14 000

Level: Local and National

The Jamaican based Women Resource and Outreach Centre is active in both urban and rural areas in Jamaica since its establishment in 1983. WROC promotes gender equality and the empowerment of women and youth through social, economic and advocacy programmes. Activities include water & sanitation projects, community capacity building and research and advocacy on gender, governance and leadership.

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Appendix E Roster SC Members

POSITION	NAME	START TERM SC-MEMBER	END TERM SC-MEMBER	TERM
President	Alice Bouman-Dentener	4 November 2010	31 March 2014	2nd term
President	Mariet Verhoef-Cohen	1 April 2014	1 April 2017	1st term
Honorary Secretary	Wazna Hamidullahkhan	1 February 2012	1 February 2015	1st term
Treasurer	Diana Iskrevva-Idigo	20 July 2012	20 July 2015	1st term
SC-Member Coordination Africa	Asha Abdulrahman	15 March 2013	15 March 2016	1st term
SC-Member Coordination Americas & Caribbean	Kathy Kelly	11 November 2013	11 November 2016	1st term
SC-Member EECCA region, Coordination Projects	Emma Anakhasyan	1 February 2014	1 February 2017	2nd term

Appendix F Abbreviations

AMCOW	African Ministers' Council on Water
CBO	Community Based Organisation
EECCA	Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia
EUWI	European Union Water Initiative
EWP	European Water Partnership
GA	General Assembly WfWP
GWC	Global Water Challenge
GWD	Gender Water Development Conference
GWPI	Global Water Programme Initiative
IWA	International Water Association
IWRM	Integrated Water Resources Management
MO	Member Organisations WfWP
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
RWH	Rain Water Harvesting
SC	Steering Committee WfWP
SDC	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
UNESCO-IHE Education)	Unesco International Hydrologic Engineering (Institute for Water Education)
UNU-INWEH	UN University Institute for Water, Environment and Health
UNESCO-WWAP	Unesco World Water Assessment Programme
UNW-DPAC	UN-Water Decade Programme on Advocacy and Communication
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
WfWP	Women for Water Partnership