



**Global Water
Partnership**
Central and Eastern Europe

The post-2015 development agenda

European Process for the World Water Forum 2015

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Background

- **Rio+20 The Future We Want** *“Water is at the core of sustainable development as it is closely linked to a number of key global challenges”*
- **UN online consultation The World We Want** with water as one of thematic areas
- **Results of the consultations key input to High Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015**
- **Report submitted to UN General Assembly in May 2013**
- **Budapest Water Summit in October 2013**

Open Working Group

- UN Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals
- African Group, Asia Pacific Group, Latin America and Caribbean
- Western Europe and other group (The Netherlands/UK, Denmark/Ireland/Norway, Italy/Spain/Turkey), Eastern European Group (Hungary, Belarus/Serbia, Bulgaria/Croatia, Montenegro/Slovenia, Poland/Romania)
- Focus area 6: Water and sanitation (11th Session)

National consultations

- DANIDA the European Union Water Initiative – Africa Working Group and UN-Water
- Regional and Country Water Partnerships
- February – April 2014
- Second round brought together 1,200 participants from 29 countries
- Bulgaria, Poland, Romania and Slovenia

Key messages

- Consensus on the need for a dedicated water goal within the post-2015 sustainable development framework
- The proposed goal of “*Securing sustainable water for all*” fits with national development priorities
- Strong support for a comprehensive and integrated view of water in the post-2015 development framework
- Need for clear definitions of terms and indicators

Implementation

- **Institutions will need to be strengthened to deliver results across the broad spectrum of water and related areas**
- **New implementation pathways, including greater stakeholder participation - youth and women**
- **New and existing infrastructure and related investments**
- **New technology is seen as playing a crucial role in implementing the SDGs and in achieving water security**

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