

# How to increase the impact of WASH sector diagnosis tools?

Thursday 29 August | 09:00-10:30 | Room: M1

Conveners: Stockholm International Water Institute | United Nations Children’s Fund |  
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The context in which WASH services are delivered is dynamic, rapidly-changing and complex. Therefore, planning and prioritization processes need to be context-specific to ensure inclusive access to WASH. The success of these processes depends critically on the collective action and contributions from all stakeholders, playing their role effectively and efficiently. Therefore, creating platforms for multistakeholder dialogue emerges as a necessary step in the right direction. A variety of tools are available to diagnose, generate evidence and analyse the complex interplay of institutional and legal structures and processes that determine how effectively human, material, and financial inputs are turned into increased access to WASH.

This session will present various tools that have been largely implemented in the WASH sector for improved planning and increased water governance. The presentation will take a dual perspective from both the designers and the implementers

- [WASH Bottleneck Analysis Tool](#)
- [Equitable Access Score-card](#)
- [UNICEF WASH Climate Resilience](#)

Presenters will discuss the relevance of these tools and their main implementation gaps from the perspective of different types of stakeholders. The discussion will revolve around the outcomes and the impacts achieved in service delivery, particularly from an equity and non-discrimination perspective.

The design of this session is a facilitated face-to-face chat show style interaction (with an online live chatroom component that aims to engage audiences via a moderated discussion forum) where presenters naturally come to the discussion from different perspectives (decision-makers, donors, experts, and researchers) and sectoral interests.

| Activity      | Description  |
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| 9:00 – 9:15   | <b>Opening Remarks</b>   |
| 9:15 – 9:25   | <b>Facilitated warm-up exercise</b>  |
| 9:25 – 9:30   | <b>Activity debrief</b>  |
| 9:30 – 10:00  | <b>Live chat show</b><br>Facilitator makes controversial statements to which the speaker can agree/disagree  |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | <b>Audience interaction with chat show:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audience Burning question 1</li> <li>• Facebook Live Burning question 2</li> </ul> <b>Final Remarks</b> |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | <b>Summary and Wrap-up</b>   |

## 09:00 Welcome and Opening remarks

Introductory remarks to introduce the session, the aims and the structure.

Brief and “neutral” introduction of the tools, providing a brief comparative analysis (purpose of each tool, what does each focus on, where has it been applied).

**Ricard Gine**, Stockholm International Water Institute

### 09:15 Debate - How to increase the impact of WASH sector diagnosis tools?

A facilitated dialogue between selected key speakers and participants around a short list of burning and thought-provoking questions. Interactive methods with participants for the debate include (i) Mentimeter; and (ii) Facebook live chatroom.

**Alex Simalabwi**, Global Water Partnership

**Kathia Havens**, Global Water Partnership

#### Key speakers:

Selected speakers include implementers of the three tools and WASH stakeholders (e.g. the government, the donor (development bank, development agency, etc.), the service provider, an expert from the human rights community). All of them will provide their perspective in relation to priorities, challenges they have faced, and opportunities to enhance the utility of the tools for improved targeting and prioritization, increased water governance, improved climate resilient development (outputs, outcomes and impacts).

- **Dara Johnston** (UNICEF WASH Chief for Bangladesh) will share his experience in the implementation of the WASH Bottleneck Analysis Tool (WASHBAT), from the donor perspective.
- **Emma Anakhasyan** (Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment) will share her experience in the implementation of the Equitable Access Score-card tool, from the viewpoint of the human rights community.
- **Lenka Thamae** (Orange-Senqu River Basin Commission) will share his experience of developing an investment plan for Climate Resilience, from a River Basin Authority perspective
- A representative of the **Government of Kenya** will share his/her thoughts and impression concerning the utility of these tools for planning and decision-making.

### 10:15 Summary and wrap-up

To conclude the session, the designers of the three tools will have the floor for key concluding remarks (3 minutes, each speaker).

- **Guy Hutton**, United Nations Children's Fund – the WASH BAT Tool.
- **Diane Guerrier**, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe – the Equitable Access Score-card.
- **Ranu Sinha**, Global Water Partnership – the UNICEF WASH Climate Resilience Tool.

Key remarks of the session will be finally highlighted by **Monika Weber-Fahr**, Global Water Partnership Executive Secretary.



**Emma Anakhasyan** has been working for the NGO Women for Health and Healthy Environment for about 15 years. She has an MD degree from Yerevan State Medical University and MPH degree from the American University of Armenia. She has solid experience in epidemiology, public health, water and sanitation policy, implementation and monitoring of projects related to water issues.



**Ricard Gine** is a Programme Manager at SIWI. He supports the area of sustainable delivery of WaSH services. Prior to joining SIWI in 2018, he worked as a researcher at the Technical University of Catalonia, in Barcelona. His research interests have focused on the connections between the improved delivery of WaSH services and human development - especially the links between science, policy and practice - in low-income countries. He has published several scientific papers in the field of water and sanitation monitoring.



**Diane Guerrier** is an Associate Environmental Affairs Officer at the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), co-secretariat of the Protocol on Water and Health. She supports pan-European countries in applying the Equitable Access Score-Card tool to improve equitable access to water and sanitation.



**Kathia Havens** supports the Global Water Partnership on transboundary water resources management as well as monitoring, evaluation and learning. She has a background in international development and four years' experience working in the water sector.



**Guy Hutton** is a development economist and works as senior advisor for WASH at UNICEF. He has previously held positions at the University of London, the University of Basel and the World Bank. He currently provides leadership for several global initiatives in the water and sanitation sector, including the affordability monitoring under the WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme and GLAAS, WASH financing, WASH bottleneck analysis, WASH in the workplace and knowledge management.



**Dr. Alejandro Jiménez** is the Programme Director for the Water Governance Department at SIWI. He is one of focal points for water and sanitation governance, leading the coordination of UNDP global programme, GoAL WASH, and the Accountability for Sustainability programme – a UNICEF partnership. Alejandro has over 15 years of experience working with water governance issues in East and Southern Africa, Central America and West Africa. He has published several articles and book chapters, on water and sanitation governance, WASH indicators, and the implementation of the human right to water and sanitation.



**Dara Johnston** is the Chief of the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) section, for UNICEF in Bangladesh. Currently in Bangladesh the UNICEF WASH programme is addressing challenges in arsenic, manganese and iron contamination in groundwater, climate change adaptation for salt water intrusion and flooding, sanitation marketing scale-up, urban water and sanitation, WASH in Schools and Health Care Facilities, strengthening national WASH planning and policy revision, and the humanitarian response for the Rohingya refugee crisis.



**Alex Simalabwi** is the Executive Secretary of the Global Water Partnership (GWP) Southern Africa and Head of GWP Africa Coordination Unit. He is GWP's Global Lead on climate resilience and the Global Coordinator of the Water, Climate and Development Program at GWP HQ. He is an international development professional with extensive experience and expertise in water resources management, climate change, economic development, investment strategy and public policy.



**Ranu Sinha** is a Senior Water Resources Management Specialist at the Global Water Partnership in Sweden. She has more than 13 years of experience in tackling water resources challenges for sustainable irrigation and agriculture management within emerging and developing economies. She has worked with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), 2030Water Resources Group (WRG) and the World Bank across Asia on projects related to reform in integrated irrigation modernisation, sustainable agriculture, and rural development across Asia.



**Monika Weber-Fahr** is the CEO & Executive Secretary of the Global Water Partnership. Before joining GWP, Monika served as the COO at Sustainable Energy for All, an international multi-stakeholder partnership that promotes access to clean, affordable, and modern energy. Prior to this, Monika worked with the World Bank and the International Finance Corporation (IFC) for over 20 years, most recently as Chief Knowledge Officer for the Independent Evaluation Group and as Director Knowledge, Learning and Results for the Sustainable Development Network in the World Bank.



**Lenka Thamae**, Orange-Senqu River Basin Commission