

Global Water Partnership South Asia (GWP SAS) 8th General Assembly and Partners Forum

“Bringing the Change”

On Monday, 7 December 2020 (Virtual)

OUR VISION IS “A WATER-SECURE SOUTH ASIA”

Our mission: “Promote water security and climate resilience in South Asia as a key part of sustainable regional and national development for economic growth and human security keeping Integrated Water Resources Management intact”.

GWP Partners in South Asia are invited to the General Assembly (GA)/Partners Forum 2020 organised with the theme ‘Bringing the Change’. As per the GWP SAS Working Guidelines, the Partners should meet once in three years to deliberate on policies, the strategy and programmes of GWP SAS. The most recent GA was held in October 2017 in Bangladesh with very limited participation given the constrain of high travel budgets. By taking the new normal as an advantage, the GA 2020 is been scheduled online (using the Zoom Platform). *Guidelines to register the GA will follow.* GWP SAS has 374 active registered Partners in its network while few other Partners, although not been registered as GWP Partners are still collaborate with Country Water Partnerships (CWPs) on their portfolio of activities. The GA 2020 is divided into four sessions.

Session 1 – GWP Strategy 2020–25 mobilizing investments for water secure world

Session objective: To introduce the new GWP Strategy

Session 2 – Implementation progress 2014–19 Strategy Period

Session objective: To report back on GWP SAS business progress for last 3 years, in particular on implementation progress on the GWP Strategy 2014–19. The GWP SAS Regional Coordinator will report back to partners on the governance, strategies, programmatic and financial progress of the Regional Water Partnership.

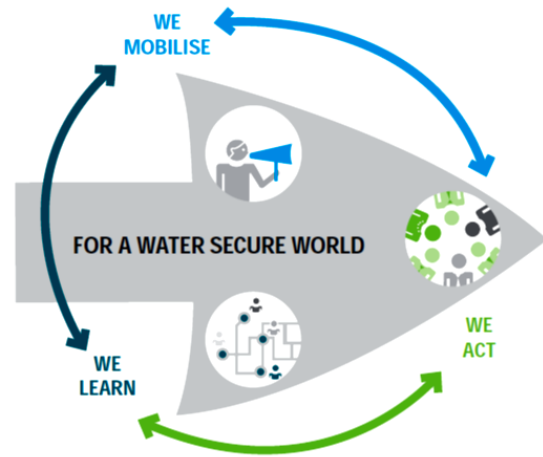
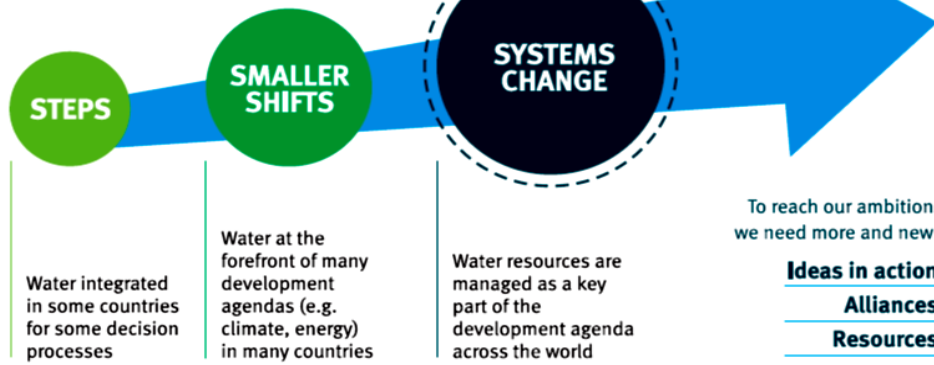
Session 3 – GWP SAS Regional Work Programme 2020–22

Session objectives: To share the prospective on implementation of GWP Strategy 2020–25 and GWP SAS work programme 2020–22 by GWP SAS Regional Coordinator.

Session 4: Way Forward of GWP Network Meeting 2020

Session objective: Introduce the Eurasia inter-regional session of the Network Meeting 2020 to the Partners and discuss youth engagement in IWRM as one of the best approached for bringing the change

Our Ambition



As countries and development partners work to address major water challenges, GWP will mobilise key players and learn from the experiences to create and maintain momentum for coordinated action.

A multi-stakeholder action network, GWP will leverage global policy frameworks and mobilise its 3,000+ partner organisations –both within and beyond the water sector–to bring voices of water to the table and get things done.

The GWP Network Meeting 2020 was held on 21-22 October, with the theme ‘Bringing the Change’ in the context of the GWP 2020-2025 Strategy and as the world faces a pandemic. This year, the Network Meeting was designed in a continental format, which started with an Opening Plenary, followed by three continental sessions – Latin America and Caribbean (LAC), Eurasia, and Africa and Mediterranean. Each continental session consisted of a customised inter-regional segment and a global segment. The Eurasia regional segment focused on building optimal mechanisms to engage partners through the partnership platform, inter regional youth solution competitions and young professional inter-regional learning exchange programme.

GWP NETWORK MEETING 2020 - Bringing the change

21-22 OCTOBER 2020



Expected Outcomes of the GA 2020

- New GWP Strategy and GWP SAS regional work programme launched
- Partners updated on GWP SAS progress, achievements and outcomes in the Strategy period 2014-2019
- Strengthened understanding on the regional work programme and opportunities for GWP SAS region
- Enhance understanding of Inter-Regional Eurasia Session on “Bringing the Change”- youth focused approach.

Agenda

1.00-1.30 pm	Waiting room
1.30-1.40 pm	Welcome remarks by GWP SAS Chair, Dr Nilufa Islam
1.40-1.55 pm	Partners meet each other (in small breakout groups)
1.55-2.15 pm	Introduction of New GWP Strategy 2020-2025 by GWP Senior Network officer, Dr Danielle Gaillard-Picher.
2.15-3.00 pm	Implementation Progress 2014-19 Strategy Period and introduction to 2020-2022 GWP SAS Three Year Work Programme by GWP SAS Regional Coordinator, Mr Lal Induruwage
3.00-3.15 pm	Session summary of GWP Network Meeting 2020 - Eurasia Session by GWP SAS Regional Coordinator, Mr Lal Induruwage
3.15-3.45 pm	Breakout Session—Partner engagement for “Bring the Change” with youth engagement
3.45-4.10 pm	Presentation of key messages by group representative
4.10-4.15 pm	Closing remarks by GWP SAS Chair, Dr Nilufa Islam

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