SDG Indicator 6.5.1: Survey

Degree of integrated water resources management (IWRM) implementation

Reporting year: 2023

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Part 1 - Introduction

This is the official survey for country reporting on Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicator 6.5.1: "Degree of integrated water resources management (IWRM) implementation". The indicator is measured on a scale of 0 – 100, calculated based on scores from approximately 30 questions in this survey, covering different aspects of IWRM. Indicator 6.5.1 measures progress towards target 6.5: "By 2030, implement integrated water resources management at all levels, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate". The target supports the equitable and efficient use of water resources, which is essential for social and economic development, as well as environmental sustainability. The actions to achieve target 6.5 directly underpin the other water-related targets within SDG-6: "Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all". Further guidance on completing this survey is provided in the SDG indicator 6.5.1 Monitoring Guide. Both this Survey and the Monitoring Guide are available in six UN languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish), and Portuguese, available on the IWRM Data Portal.

About the survey

The primary purpose of the survey is global monitoring and reporting on indicator 6.5.1. It has been designed to also be useful as a simple diagnostic tool for countries to identify strengths and weaknesses of different aspects of IWRM implementation.

The survey contains four sections, each covering a key dimension of IWRM (see definition in Annex A: Glossary):

- 1. Enabling environment: Policies, laws and plans to support IWRM implementation.
- **2. Institutions and participation:** The range and roles of political, social, economic and administrative institutions and other stakeholder groups that help to support implementation.
- 3. Management instruments: The tools and activities that enable decision-makers and users to make rational and informed choices between alternative actions.
- 4. Financing: Budgeting and financing for water resources development and management.

Each section has two sub-sections covering the "National" and "Other" levels. "Other" levels include sub-national, basin, local and transboundary (see Annex A - Glossary). For most "other level" questions, the score should reflect the situation in most of the basins/aquifers/jurisdictions, unless specified otherwise. For the transboundary level questions, the score should reflect the situation in the 'most important' transboundary basins / aquifers, which should ideally be coordinated with reporting under SDG indicator 6.5.2 on transboundary cooperation. It is recognised that water resources management in federal countries may be more complex due to responsibilities at different administrative levels. You may further explain any specific circumstances relating to the level of decentralization of water resources management and responsibility in your country (e.g. federal countries and other large countries) in the free text responses (see next section).

How to complete the survey

Scoring: For each question, enter a score between 0 and 100, in increments of 10. It is not possible to omit questions¹. The score selection is guided by descriptive text for six thresholds, which are specific to each question. If a country judges the degree of implementation to be between two thresholds, the increment of 10 between the two thresholds may be selected. The potential scores that may be given for each question are: 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100.

The thresholds for each question are defined sequentially. This means that the criteria for all lower levels of implementation must be met for a country to respond that it has reached a specific level of implementation for each question. **Bold** text in the thresholds helps the reader differentiate between thresholds.

The thresholds are indicative and are meant to guide countries in choosing the most appropriate responses, i.e. selected responses should be a reasonable match, but do not have to be a perfect match, as each country is unique.

Instructions on how to calculate the overall indicator 6.5.1 score are provided in section 5.

<u>Narrative responses:</u> for each question, there are two free-text fields: "Status and progress" and "Way forward". The type of information that countries may find useful to consider includes:

Status and progress: e.g. refer to relevant activities/initiatives/laws/policies/plans/strategies or similar; comment on the degree of implementation as it relates to the threshold descriptions; barriers/enablers; and reflect on progress (e.g. between reporting rounds: baseline in 2017, 2nd round in 2020, and current round in 2023). Where possible, provide a brief explanation of why the score is different to the previous round, including reflecting on recent rates of implementation of relevant activities.

Way forward: e.g. already planned or recommended activities to advance implementation of that aspect of IWRM, including identifying barriers and enablers. Include draft interim target-setting for each question where appropriate (e.g. consider actions or recommendations for making progress). Any actions or recommendations provided in this field are neither binding nor comprehensive, but may be used as inputs to country planning processes.

Specific additional guidance is provided in each field for each question. Experience from previous reporting shows that the free-text responses to each question are important, as they: increase the robustness, transparency and objectivity of the indicator scores; facilitate stakeholder consensus on each question score; help countries track progress between reporting periods; and help countries to analyse what is required to reach the next threshold.

In each field, enter the narrative response by replacing "xxx". It is recommended that the guidance text is left in the free-text fields during the stakeholder consultation process, but that this guidance text is deleted before final submission.

¹ If the country judges the question to be 'not applicable', you can enter 'n/a'. However, the survey has been designed to be relevant to all countries, and an 'n/a' response is unlikely.

Climate change considerations: For five questions (1.1c, 2.1b, 2.1e, 3.1e, and 4.1b), there is an additional free text field to provide information on how relevant aspects of water resources management and climate change adaptation/mitigation are coordinated. Recognising that climate change cuts across all aspects of water resources management, considerations of climate change are also encouraged in the free text fields of all questions.

Progress and differences since previous reporting rounds

172 countries established a baseline for indicator 6.5.1 in 2017/18, with 171 countries reporting in the second round in 2020. This is the third round of data collection. Where available, countries should refer to the previous survey responses, available here: http://iwrmdataportal.unepdhi.org/country-reports. Countries are encouraged to consider progress, or lack of progress, since previous rounds, in the 'Status and progress' fields, and give reasoning for differences in scores. Countries are welcome to use and update free text responses used in previous surveys. For Word versions of previous surveys, please contact the IWRM Help Desk: iwrmsdg651@un.org.

The current survey version is highly comparable, though not identical, to previous versions. Some minor amendments have been made following a review process, and noteworthy changes are described in footnotes for relevant questions. A summary of changes is provided in the SDG indicator <u>6.5.1 Monitoring Guide</u>.

Data collection and submission

A broad stakeholder engagement process is encouraged to complete the survey. This helps to increase stakeholder participation and ownership of water management and decision-making processes, and makes the completed survey a more robust and useful diagnostic tool for further discussions and planning. SDG 6.5.1 Focal Points are asked to fill in the Reporting Process Form in Annex C to increase transparency and stakeholder confidence in the results at all levels. The extent and mode of stakeholder engagement is up to each country, and further guidance is provided in the Monitoring Guide. Coordination with Focal Points for other SDG indicators is encouraged where feasible and relevant.²

The Focal Point is responsible for the Quality Assurance and formal submission of the completed survey to the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), as described in section 6 of the Monitoring Guide.

Upon request, the SDG 6.5.1 IWRM Help Desk, hosted by UNEP (iwrmsdg651@un.org) will provide support to Focal Points and colleagues on matters such as interpretation of questions and thresholds, the appropriate level of stakeholder engagement in countries, and submitting the final indicator scores.

² Monitoring of 6.5.1 is being done as part of the UN-Water initiative on integrated monitoring of SDG 6 (<u>IMI-SDG6</u>). Support is provided in collaboration with UN-Water members and partners. For a list of questions that relate to other SDG indicators (mainly in section 3), please see Annex 3 of the Monitoring Guide.

Part 2 - The survey

1 Enabling environment

This section covers the enabling environment, which is about creating the conditions that help to support the implementation of IWRM. It includes the most typical policy, legal and planning tools for IWRM³. Please refer to the glossary for any terms that may require further explanation. **Please take note of all footnotes as they contain important information and clarification of terms used in the questions and thresholds**.

Enter your score, **in increments of 10**, from 0-100, or "n/a" (not applicable), in the yellow cell immediately below each question. Enter free text in the "Status and progress" and "Way forward" fields below each question. Suggestions for the type of information that may be useful are provided. You may also provide further information you think is relevant, or links to further documentation.

1. Enabling Environment										
		Degree of implementation (0 – 100)								
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)				
1.1 What is the status of policies, laws and plans to support Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) at the national level?										
a. National water resources policy, or similar. Score 80	Development not started or not progressing.	Exists , but not based on IWRM.	Based on IWRM, approved by government and starting to be used by authorities to guide work.	Based on IWRM, being used by the majority of relevant authorities to guide work.	Policy objectives consistently achieved.	Objectives consistently achieved, and periodically reviewed and revised.				
(http://ec.europa.eu/environi Basin Management Plan is fini	ment/water/water-fran ished. The implementat in implementation of th	nework/index_en.htm tion of the Program or ne 3 nd River Basin Mar	ater policy according to 2000/60/Enl). According to the WFD River Base f Measures and the status of water nagement Plan and improvement in goals.	sin Management Plan has d rs are monitored.	one in 2009, 2015 and 2022 T					
b. National water resources law(s). Score 90	Development not started or not progressing.	Exists, but not based on IWRM.	Based on IWRM, approved by government and starting to be applied by authorities.	Based on IWRM, being applied by the majority of relevant authorities.	Based on IWRM and all laws are being applied across the country.	Based on IWRM and all laws are enforced across the country, and all people and organizations are held accountable.				
Status and progress: The W	Vater Act was adopted i	n 1995 (http://net.jog	gtar.hu/jr/gen/getdoc2.cgi?dbnum	=1&docid=99500057.TV) bu	ut the first law was enforced i	n 1886. The Act has been amende				

³ For examples of good practices of policies, laws and plans, please see the tools, case studies, and resources in the Global Water Partnership (GWP) IWRM ToolBox.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
c. National integrated water	Development not	Being prepared,	Approved by government	Being implemented	Plan objectives	Objectives consistently
resources management	started or not	but not approved	and starting to be	by the majority of	consistently	achieved, and periodically
(IWRM) plans, or similar.	progressing.	by government.	implemented by	relevant authorities.	achieved.	reviewed and revised.
Score 80			authorities.			

Status and progress The implementation of the National Water Strategy (Kvassay Jeno Plan) under operational programmes is in progress. The implementation of the Plan is monitored. The WFD River Basin Management Plan was developed in 2009, 2015 and 2021. This includes the progress since 2010 (adaptation of the 1st RBMP) (https://vizeink.hu). The implementation of the Program of Measures and the status of waters are monitored.

Climate change considerations: Climate change poses a challenge in solving water management issues, therefore climate change adaptation strategies and plans are coordinated with water management plans.

Way forward: The progress in implementation of the 3nd River Basin Management Plan and improvement in status of water are not as fast as it was expected. The consequences of climate change (especially the prolonged drought) are hampering the achievement of the goals.

1.2 What is the status of policies, laws and plans to support IWRM at other levels?									
		Degree of implementation (0 – 100)							
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)			
a. Sub-national ⁴ water resources policies or similar.	Development not started or delayed in most sub-national jurisdictions.	Exist in most jurisdictions, but not necessarily based on IWRM.	Based on IWRM, approved by the majority of authorities and starting to be used	Based on IWRM, being used by the majority of relevant authorities to guide work.	Based on IWRM and policy objectives consistently	Based on IWRM and objectives consistently achieved by all authorities, and periodically reviewed			
Score 70			to guide work.		achieved by a majority of authorities.	and revised.			

Status and progress: The Integrated Tisza River Basin Management Plan was drafted with involvement and joint efforts of the five countries that share the Tisza River Basin — Hungary, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Ukraine. This plan includes the primary aspects of the EU Floods Directive (2007/60/EC, https://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/flood_risk/index.htm) as well.

The 2nd River Basin Management Plans (according to WFD) were elaborated to 4 sub-basins and 42 subunits to enforce implementation of WFD on sub-national level. It also includes the program of measures.

Way forward: The progress in implementation of the 3 River Basin Management Plans at sub-national levels and improvement in status of water are not as fast as it was expected. The consequences of climate change (especially the prolonged drought) are hampering the achievement of the goals.

⁴ Sub-national includes jurisdictions <u>not</u> at national level, such as: states, provinces, prefectures, counties, councils, regions, or departments. In cases where there are no explicit subnational policies, please answer this question by considering how national policies are being implemented at sub-national levels. Responses should consider the highest, non-national level(s) as appropriate to the country. In the status description, please explain which level(s) are included in the response.

b. Basin/aquifer	Development not	Being prepared for	Approved in the	Being implemented in	Plan objectives	Objectives consistently
management plans ⁵ or	started or delayed in	most	majority of	the majority of	consistently	achieved in all
similar, based on IWRM.	most basins/aquifers	basins/aquifers.	basins/aquifers and	basins/aquifers.	achieved in	basins/aquifers, and
	of national		starting to be used by		majority of	periodically reviewed and
Score 70	importance.		authorities.		basins/aquifers.	revised.

Status and progress: See above (1.2 RBMP). Further, Regional Water Resource Management Plan were prepared in 2017 on the Great Plain of Hungary to support irrigation development program. These plans include significant part of Tisza and Danube basins and porous aquifers in this regions. Some plans were reviewed in 2019 and a Regional Water Resource Management Plan was prepared for Small Plain of Hungary to support irrigation development program in this region, too.

Way forward: The Government approved a proposal on irrigation development in Hungary and Elaboration of a drought management plan is in progress.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
c. Arrangements for	Development not	Being prepared	Arrangements are	Arrangements'	Arrangements'	The arrangements'
transboundary water	started or not	or negotiated.	adopted.	provisions are partly	provisions are mostly	provisions are fully
management. ⁶	progressing.			implemented.	implemented.	implemented.
Score 90						

Status and progress: Convention on cooperation for the Protection and Sustainable Use of the Danube river - Danube River Protection Convention was signed on June 29 1994 in Sofia (https://www.icpdr.org/). Tisza Declaration to facilitate the constitution among the basin's countries; Drava Declaration concerning common approaches to water management, flood protection, hydropower utilization and nature and biodiversity conservation in the Drava River Basin was adopted by Participants at the "Drava River Vision Symposium" in 2008. (https://www.icpdr.org/main/publications/new-drava-declaration-signed)

Bilateral Transboundary Agreements with the 7 neighbouring countries were signed on different dates.

Way forward: EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) as a macro-regional strategy adopted by the European Commission in December 2010 and endorsed by the European Council in 2011 is a Strategy which was jointly developed by the Commission, together with the Danube Region countries and stakeholders, in order to address common challenges together. The Strategy seeks to create synergies and coordination between existing policies and initiatives taking place across the Danube Region including transnational water management problems.

Further cooperation in the field of the implementation of the Danube Protection Convention.

Implementation of the decisions of the committees established to implement integrated transboundary water management

⁵ At the basin/aquifer level, please include only the most important river basins, lake basins and aquifers for water supply or other reasons. This question only refers to these basins/aquifers. These basins/aquifers are likely to cross administrative borders, including state/provincial borders for federal countries. The basins may also cross national borders, but this question refers to management of the portions of basins within each country. Question 1.2c refers specifically to transboundary arrangements for basins/aquifers shared by countries.

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⁶ For 'transboundary' definition, see Annex A. All transboundary level questions should reflect the situation in most of the 'most important' transboundary basins/aquifers, which should be listed in the 'status and progress' field. An 'arrangement' should be a formal commitment, and may be referred to as a bilateral or multilateral agreement, treaty, convention, protocol, joint declaration, memorandum of understanding, or other arrangement between riparian countries on the management of a transboundary basin/aquifer. Arrangements may be interstate, intergovernmental, inter-ministerial, interagency or between regional authorities. They may also be entered into by sub-national entities.

d. Sub-national waresources regulation		Development not started or delayed in	Exist in most jurisdictions,	Based on IWRM, approved in most	Based on IWRM, some regulations being	Based on IWRM and all regulations being	Based on IWRM and all regulations being applied
(laws, decrees, ordinances or simi	lar). ⁸	most sub-national jurisdictions.	but not necessarily	jurisdictions, and starting to be applied by	applied in the majority of jurisdictions.	applied in the majority of	and enforced in all jurisdictions, and all
Score	n/a		based on IWRM.	authorities in some jurisdictions.		jurisdictions.	people and organizations are held accountable.

Status and progress: There are no sub-national regulations. Implementation of water management and water protection regulations are primarily the responsibility of the 12 regional water authorities, operational tasks are carried out by the 12 water directorates (authorities and directorates have a watershed based jurisdiction covering the territory of the whole country); special water related responsibilities of local relevance are assigned to municipalities (e. g. licensing of domestic wells)

Way forward:

⁷ Sub-national includes jurisdictions <u>not</u> at national level, such as: states, provinces, prefectures, counties, councils, regions, or departments. In cases where there are no explicit subnational regulations, please answer this question by considering how national regulations are being implemented at sub-national levels. Responses should consider the highest, non-national level(s) as appropriate to the country. In the status description, please explain which level(s) are included in the response.

⁸ This question has replaced question 1.2d from the baseline survey instrument, which was for federal countries only.

2 Institutions and participation

This section is about the range and roles of political, social, economic and administrative institutions that support the implementation of IWRM. It includes institutional capacity and effectiveness, cross-sector coordination, stakeholder participation and gender mainstreaming. The 2030 Agenda stresses the importance of partnerships that will require public participation and creating synergies with the private sector.

Please take note of all footnotes as they contain important information and clarification of terms used in the questions and thresholds. Please refer to the glossary for any terms that may require further explanation.

Enter your score, **in increments of 10**, from 0-100, or "n/a" (not applicable), in the yellow cell immediately below each question. Enter free text in the "Status and progress" and "Way forward" fields below each question. This will help achieve agreement among different stakeholders in the country, as well as help monitor progress over time. Suggestions for the type of information that may be useful are provided. You may also provide further information you think is relevant, or links to further documentation.

2. Institutions and Participation									
		Degree of implementation (0 – 100)							
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)			
2.1 What is the status of institutions for IWRM implementation at the national level?									
a. National government	No dedicated	Authorities exist ,	Authorities have clear roles	Authorities have	Authorities have the	Authorities have the			
authorities ⁹ for leading	government	with clear	and responsibilities to lead	the capacity to	capacity to effectively lead	capacity to effectively			
IWRM implementation.	authorities for	mandate to lead	IWRM implementation, and	effectively lead	periodic monitoring and	lead periodic IWRM			
	water resources	water resources	the capacity ¹⁰ to effectively	IWRM plan	evaluation of the IWRM	plan revision .			
Score 80	management.	management.	lead IWRM plan	implementation.	plan(s).				
			formulation.						

Status and progress: Main national government authorities are the Ministry of Interior (http://www.kormany.hu/en/ministry-of-interior), the General Directorate of Water Management (www.vof.hu) and regional water directorates, the National Directorate for Disaster Management and its regional directorates (https://www.katasztrofavedelem.hu/130/vzgyi-s-vzvdelemi-hatsgi-tevkenysg). Not all areas of expertise are integrated into these governmental authorities thus to manage IWRM inter-ministerial coordination is needed (for example Ministry of Energy is responsible for water utilities and climate change mitigation and adaptation).

Way forward: The Climate and Nature Protection Action Plan was adopted in 2020 which pays special attention to protecting Hungary's natural waters as part of adaptation to climate change. The Sustainable Hungary Programme has launched in 2020 to shift gradually Hungary to a rotational economy. Ministry of Agriculture announced in 2019 that changed climate conditions make in necessary to change the tradition of Hungarian water management. Instead of water drainage, the goal now is water retention, and in addition to state incentives, science, education and research have a key role in the paradigm shift.

⁹ 'Government authorities' could be a ministry or ministries, or other organizations/institutions/agencies/bodies with a mandate and funding from government.

¹⁰ 'Capacity' in this context is that the responsible authorities should have the required knowledge and technical skills, including planning, rule-making, project management, finance, budgeting, data collection and monitoring, risk/conflict management and evaluation. Beyond having the technical capacity, authorities should also have the financial capacity to actually be leading the implementation of these activities.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
b. Coordination between	No information	Information on	Communication:	Consultation:	Collaboration: Formal	Co-decisions and co-
national government	shared between	water resources,	Information,	Opportunities for	arrangements between	production:
authorities representing	different	policy, planning and	experiences and	different sectors to	different government	Coordination through
different sectors ¹¹ on water	government	management is	opinions on water	take part in water	sectors with the objective of	jointly agreed upon
resources policy, planning	sectors on	made available	resources, policy,	resources policy,	agreeing on collective	processes and power is
and management.	water policy,	between different	planning and	planning and	decisions on important	shared between different
Score 80	planning and	sectors.	management are	management	issues and activities relating	sectors on joint policy,
33313	management.		shared between	processes.	to water resources planning	planning and management
			different sectors.		and management.	activities.

Status and progress: Inter-ministerial coordination is part of the governance mechanism. To align the operations of agriculture and water management an authority (so called "Irrigation Agency") was established at 01/01/2020 Representatives of government authorities representing different sectors are members of the National Water Council (NWC). The Ministry of Interior is the governing body. At sub-basin level there are 4 Sub-basin Water Councils, and at regional level 12 Regional Water Councils.

"Water and Health" intersectorial expert group of representatives from government organisations was established mainly for coordination of the UN ECE Water and Health Protocol related tasks some years ago, but from a health point of view, there is a need for closer inter-ministerial cooperation on water and health in the future, especially at the expert level.

Climate change considerations: Climate change poses new challenges to water management, to which we can only find appropriate answers with the close cooperation of the national government authorities representing different sectors.

Way forward: Water Councils have coordination role in sub-basins to support inter-sectorial communication. "Irrigation Agency" will support cooperation between agriculture and water management

c. Public	No information	Information on	Communication:	Consultation:	Collaboration:	Representation: Formal
participation ¹² in	shared between	water	Government authorities	Government authorities	Mechanisms ¹³	representation of the
water resources policy,	government and	resources,	request information,	regularly use information,	established, and	public in government
planning and	the public on	policy, planning	experiences and opinions	experiences and opinions	regularly used, for the	processes contributing to
management at	policy, planning and	and	of the public in relation to	of the public in relation to	public to take part in	decision making on
national level.	management of	management is	policy, planning and	policy, planning and	relevant water resources	important issues and
Score 90	water resources.	made available	management of water	management of water	policy, planning and	activities in relation to
		to the public.	resources.	resources.	management processes.	water resources.

Status and progress: The National Water Council has the role consulting water issues at national level.

Representatives of stakeholder groups are members of the water councils, including stakeholder organizations, scientific institutions, civil societies. Individuals can attend on convocations or initiate disputation of any water related issues.

The development of River Basin Management plan contains public participation,

Way forward: As the second review of the WFD River Basin Management Plan the other strategies and plans contain public participation.

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¹¹Relates to coordination between the government authorities responsible for water management and those responsible for other sectors (such as agriculture, aquaculture, energy, climate, water supply and sanitation, tourism, municipal use, mining and industry, environment etc.) that are dependent on water, or impact on water (including surface water / groundwater considerations).

¹² 'The public' includes all interested parties who may be affected by any water resources issue or intervention. They include organizations, institutions, academia, civil society and individuals. They do not include government organizations. The private sector is addressed separately in the next question, and vulnerable groups are addressed separately in question 2.2c.

¹³ Mechanisms can include policies, laws, strategies, plans, or other formal operational procedures for public participation.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
d. Private sector ¹⁴	No information	Information made	Communication	Consultation:	Collaboration:	Representation: Effective
participation in water	shared between	available between	between government	Government authorities	Mechanisms ¹⁵ are	private sector involvement
resources	government and	government and	and private sector	regularly involve the	established, and	in water resources
development,	private sector	private sector about	about water resources	private sector in water	regularly used, and	development,
management and use.	about water	water resources	development,	resources development,	rooted in the	management and use is
	resources	development,	management and use.	management and use	transparent and	established_in a
Score 90	development,	management and		activities.	accountable involvement	transparent way and with
	management and	use.			and partnership of the	proper accountability
	use.				private sector.	mechanisms ¹⁶ in place.

Status and progress: Representatives of business are members of water councils and they have the opportunity to launch any water related issues through ministries as well.

Way forward: As the second review of the WFD River Basin Management Plan the other strategies and plans contain public participation.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
e. Developing IWRM	No capacity	Occasional water	Some long-term	Long-term capacity	Long-term capacity	Long-term capacity
capacity. ¹⁷	development	resources	capacity development	development initiatives	development initiatives	development initiatives on
	specific to water	management	initiatives on IWRM are	on IWRM are being	on IWRM are being	IWRM are being
	resources	capacity	being implemented,	implemented, and	implemented, with	implemented with highly
	management.	development,	but geographic and	geographic and	effective outcomes, and	effective outcomes, and
		generally limited to	stakeholder coverage	stakeholder coverage is	geographic and	geographic and
Score 70		short-term / ad-hoc	is limited .	adequate.	stakeholder coverage is	stakeholder coverage is
		activities.			very good.	excellent.

Status and progress According to the National Water Strategy a long-term capacity development program was launched in Hungary in 2018. Special rules applicable to civil servants employed by water administrations were established which include enhancement of competence, management and professionalism of water administration.

¹⁴ Private sector includes for-profit businesses and groups. Private sector actors may include water users (from across sectors, e.g. agriculture, food and beverage, energy, manufacturing, mining, etc.); water and sanitation service operators; water-related technology providers; and the financial providers participating through investments in water initiatives (definition adapted from Sustainable Water Partnership (2017)). It does not include government, civil society or public academic institutions. While this question is mainly focused at the national level, please respond at the level that is most relevant in the country context. Please explain this, including differences between implementation at different levels, in the 'Status and progress field.

¹⁵ Mechanisms can include policies, laws, strategies, plans, or other formal operational procedures for private sector participation.

 $^{^{\}rm 16}$ See description of "accountability mechanisms" in Annex A: Glossary.

¹⁷ IWRM capacity development: refers to the enhancement of skills, instruments, resources and incentives for people and institutions at all levels, to improve IWRM implementation. Capacity needs assessments are essential for effective and cost-effective capacity development. Capacity development programmes should consider gender balance and disadvantaged/minority groups in terms of participation and awareness. Capacity development is relevant for many groups, including: local and central government, water professionals in all areas - both public and private water organisations, civil society, and in regulatory organisations. In this instance, capacity development may also include primary, secondary and tertiary education, and academic research concerning IWRM.

Climate change considerations: The close cooperation of the national government authorities representing different sectors.

Way forward: IWRM related subjects has included into training programmes.

2.2 What is the status of institutions for IWRM implementation at other levels? Degree of implementation (0 - 100)Very low (0) Low (20) Medium-low (40) Medium-high (60) High (80) Very high (100) a. Basin/aquifer level¹⁸ No dedicated basin Authorities exist. Authorities have clear Authorities have the Authorities have the Authorities have the organizations¹⁹ for leading authorities for with clear mandate mandate to lead IWRM capacity to capacity to effectively capacity to effectively lead implementation of IWRM. to lead water effectively lead lead periodic monitoring periodic IWRM plan water resources implementation, and the capacity²⁰ to effectively IWRM plan and evaluation of the revision. management. resources Score 70 management. lead IWRM plan implementation. IWRM plan(s). formulation.

Status and progress: 12 regional water directorates are responsible to manage water resources and 12 water authorities for official licensing and control activities related to waters but despite the development, their capacities are still insufficient for leading formulation of plan or implementation of IWRM. The Government Offices are also important part of the process. VIZEK project has developed information technology at water administration since 2018 to establish e-Government in water sector (not yet finished).

Way forward: Information technology developments will continue.

b. Public participation ²¹ in water resources policy, planning and management at the local level. ²²	No information shared between government and the public on policy, planning and management at the	Information on water resources, policy, planning and management is made available to the public at the	Communication: Government authorities request information, experiences and opinions of the public.	Consultation: Government authorities regularly use local level information, experiences and	Collaboration: Mechanisms ²³ established, and regularly used, for the public at the local level to take part in relevant	Representation: Formal representation of the public in local authority processes contributing to decision making on important issues and activities, as
Score 90	local level.	local level.		opinions of the public.	policy, planning and management processes.	appropriate.

Status and progress: 4 regional and 12 sub-regional water councils have the role consulting water issues.

Representatives of stakeholder groups are members of the water councils, including organizations, scientific institutions, civil societies. Individuals can attend on convocations or initiate disputation of any water related issues.

National information resources can be used by local stakeholders like www.vizeink.hu, www.hydroinfo.hu

¹⁸ At the basin/aquifer level, please include only the most important river basins, lake basins and aquifers for water supply or for other reasons. These basins/aquifers likely cross-administrative borders, including state/provincial borders for federal countries. The basins may also cross national borders, but this question refers to management of the portions of basins within each country. Question 2.2e refers specifically to transboundary management of basins/aquifers shared by countries.

¹⁹ Could be organization, committee, inter-ministerial mechanism or other means of collaboration for managing water resources at the basin level.

²⁰ For the definition of 'capacity' in this context, see footnote 13. Beyond having the capacity, authorities must also actually be leading the implementation of these activities.

²¹ 'The public' includes all interested parties who may be affected by any water resources issue or intervention. They include organizations, institutions, academia, civil society and individuals. They do not include government organizations. The private sector is dealt with separately in question 2.1d.

²² Examples of 'local level' include municipal level (e.g. cities, towns and villages), community level, basin/tributary/aquifer/delta level, and water user associations.

²³ Mechanisms can include policies, laws, strategies, plans, or other formal operational procedures for public participation.

Way forward: Information technology developments will continue.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
c. Participation of	Participation of	Vulnerable groups	Some procedures in	Transparent procedures	Regular participation of	Meaningful ²⁷ and regular
vulnerable groups in	vulnerable groups	partially	place, but limited	in place, with moderate	vulnerable groups	participation of
water resources planning	not explicitly	addressed, but no	budget and human	participation of	(sufficient budget and	vulnerable groups, as
and management. ²⁴	addressed in laws,	explicit procedures	capacity for	vulnerable groups	human capacity, and	appropriate, and
Score 80	policies, or plans.	in place. ²⁵	implementation.	(moderate budget and	participation is monitored	participation is monitored
				human capacity).	through accountability	through accountability
					mechanisms ²⁶).	mechanisms.

Status and progress: In the interest to ensure the effective, coherent and most comprehensive protection of fundamental rights (including protection of vulnerable groups) and in order to implement the Fundamental Law of Hungary Act CXI of 2011 on the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights was adopted in 2011 (https://www.ajbh.hu/en/web/ajbh-en/main_page).

The Commissioner for Fundamental Rights pays special attention to the protection of the rights of children, nationalities living in Hungary, the most vulnerable social groups, and the values determined as 'the interests of future generations'. The Commissioner for Fundamental Rights gives an opinion on the draft rules of law affecting his/her tasks and competences; on long-term development and land management plans and concepts, and on plans and concepts otherwise directly affecting the quality of life of future generations; and he/she may make proposals for the amendment or making of rules of law affecting fundamental rights and/or the recognition of the binding nature of an international treaty. The Commissioner surveys and analyses the situation of fundamental rights in Hungary, and prepares statistics on those infringements of rights in Hungary which are related to fundamental rights. Therefore, the Commissioner submits his/her annual report to the Parliament, in which he/she gives information on his/her fundamental rights activities and gives recommendations and proposals for regulations or any amendments. The Parliament shall debate the report during the year of its submission. In the course of his/her activities, the Commissioner cooperates with organisations aiming at the promotion of the protection fundamental rights. The Commissioner for Fundamental Rights may initiate the review of rules of law at the Constitutional Court as to their conformity with the Fundamental Law. Furthermore, the Commissioner participates in the preparation of national reports based on international treaties relating to his/her tasks and competences, and monitors and evaluates the enforcement of these treaties under Hungarian jurisdiction.

The institutional participation of vulnerable groups in decision-making processes, could be further improved

The Ministry of Interior coordinates the new public employment system in Hungary since 2011 which includes public employment in water sector. The most important task of the public employment system is to activate long term unemployed people and to prevent permanent job seekers from getting out of the working life. There are the people of working age, with low education and no professional skills that are the most difficult to involve in employment.

Way forward: The public employment system will proceed

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²⁴ Vulnerable groups: groups of people that face economic, political, or social exclusion or marginalisation. They can include, but are not limited to: indigenous groups, ethnic minorities, migrants (refugees, internally displaced people, asylum seekers), remote communities, subsistence farmers, people living in poverty, people living in slums and informal settlements. Also referred to as 'marginalised' or 'disadvantaged' groups. While women are often included in definitions of 'vulnerable groups', in this survey gender issues are addressed separately in question 2.2d. The score given for this question should reflect the situation for the majority of the vulnerable groups. This question has been added since the baseline to capture an element of stakeholder participation which is important in the context of 'leave no-one behind' – one of the key principles of Agenda 2030.

²⁵ 'Procedures' can include operational processes to, for example, raise awareness, reduce language barriers, and facilitate interaction with specific vulnerable groups.

²⁶ See description of "accountability mechanisms" in Annex A: Glossary.

²⁷ 'Meaningful' implies voices of vulnerable groups are heard, contribute to decision-making, and influence outcomes. It follows the UN Statement of Common Understanding on Human Rights-Based Approaches to Development Cooperation which provides for "Participation and Inclusion: ... all peoples are entitled to active, free and meaningful participation in, contribution to, and enjoyment of civil, economic, social, cultural and political development in which human rights and fundamental freedoms can be realized."

_		Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
	d. Gender	No gender	Gender mainstreaming	Gender	Gender	Gender	Gender mainstreaming objectives
	mainstreaming in	mainstreaming in	mechanisms and	mainstreaming	mainstreaming	mainstreaming	consistently achieved and
	water resources	water resources	practices in water	mechanisms exist	objectives ²⁹ partly	objectives mostly	effectively address gender issues
	management. ²⁸	management.	resources	(but limited	achieved (activities	achieved (activities	(activities and outcomes
			management being	implementation,	implemented and	adequately	reviewed and revised and based
ĺ	Score 70		developed	budget or	partially monitored	monitored and	on relevant accountability
				monitoring).	and funded).	funded).	mechanisms ³⁰).

Status and progress: Constitution addresses gender objectives. There is law on Equal treatment and the promotion of gender opportunities http://net.jogtar.hu/jr/gen/hjegy_doc.cgi?docid=A0300125.TV#lbj1id82c2.

Way forward: Compliance with the above-mentioned right and regulations

		Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
e. Organizational framework		No organizational	Organizational	Organizational	Organizational	Organizational	Organizational
for transboundary water		framework(s) for	framework(s) for	framework(s) for	framework(s)'	framework(s)'	framework(s)' mandate is
	management.31	transboundary water	transboundary	transboundary water	mandate is partly	mandate is mostly	fully fulfilled.
ĺ	Score 90	management.	water	management	fulfilled.	fulfilled.	
			management	established.			
			being developed.				

²⁸ Gender mainstreaming is about fully integrating gender perspectives in water planning, management, and decision-making, in a cross-cutting manner. Gender mainstreaming mechanisms can include frameworks, practices and tools aimed at achieving gender objectives related to women's participation, voice and influence in water resources management. See "Gender mainstreaming" in Annex A (Glossary), which contains links to the Gender Checklist (to support discussion on this topic), and a report on gender mainstreaming in water resources management. Gender mainstreaming mechanisms may originate within the water sector or at a higher level, but if they are primarily addressed at a higher level, then there should be evidence of gender mainstreaming within the water sector to achieve scores in this question. Any differences between implementation at national, local or transboundary levels can be explained in the 'Status and progress' field.

²⁹ Gender mainstreaming objectives ultimately refer to equal participation and influence in water resources management at all levels. Ways of monitoring this include (please identify any of these or similar in the 'Status and progress' field): 1) Presence of Gender Focal Point responsible for gender policy and gender concerns in authorities that deal with water resources; 2) Gender parity in decision-making processes at all levels (e.g. in meetings or board members/committee members); 3) Presence of gender-specific objectives and commitments in strategies, plans and laws related water policy; 4) Presence and role of local women's groups/organizations receiving technical and/or financial support from government/non-government organizations involved in water resources management activities; 5) Budget allocation, and procedures for collection and analysis of sex-disaggregated data of local populations, when planning for water-related programmes / projects, including infrastructure; 6) Presence of measures for improving gender parity and equity in human resources (HR) policies of authorities. Source: adapted from UNESCO WWAP Toolkit on Sex-disaggregated Water Data, 2019.

³⁰ See description of "accountability mechanisms" in Annex A: Glossary.

³¹ An organizational framework can include a joint body, mechanism, authority, committee, commission or other institutional arrangement. Refers to international basins/aquifers.

Status and progress: Danube Basin: The International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR) was established in 1998 and is an International Organisation consisting of 14 cooperating states and the European Union. Tisza Sub-basin: At the ICPDR Ministerial Meeting in 2004, the representatives of the five Tisza countries signed the Memorandum of Understanding to develop a River Basin Management Plan for the Tisza River. Drafting the 2nd RBMP has finished in 2019.

Bilateral transboundary cooperation:

Hungary has bilateral agreements with each of the seven neighbouring countries regulating water management issues. The conventions are based on intergovernmental agreements, and their implementation is in the responsibility of the Transboundary Water Commissions. Transboundary water cooperation covers all water management areas (surface- and groundwater). We have a transboundary water cooperation agreement with seven neighbouring countries. The existence of appropriate organizational frameworks is necessary for the implementation of agreements.

Way forward: Periodically reviewed and revised transboundary commitments according to IWRM and new initiatives. Ensuring adequate financial resources is essential for efficient operation

f. Sub-national ³² authorities	No ndedicated sub-	Authorities	Authorities have clear	Authorities have	Authorities have the	Sub-national authorities
for leading IWRM	national authorities	exist, with clear	mandate to lead IWRM	the capacity to	capacity to effectively	have the capacity to
implementation. ³³	for water resources	mandate to	implementation, and the	effectively lead	lead periodic	effectively lead periodic
	management.	lead water	capacity ³⁴ to effectively	IWRM plan	monitoring and	IWRM plan revision.
Score 60		resources	lead IWRM plan	implementation.	evaluation of the	
		management.	formulation.		IWRM plan(s).	

Status and progress: 12 regional water directorates and 12 water authorities are responsible for the management of water resources but their capacities are insufficient for effectively leading formulation of plan or implementation of IWRM.

Way forward: Capacity building of 12 regional water directorates and 12 water authorities

³² Sub-national can include, but not limited to: provincial, state, county, local government areas, council. In this case, sub-national should not include basin/aquifer levels as this is dealt with in question 2.2a. Answer this question for the highest sub-national level(s) that are relevant in the country, and specify what these are.

³³ This question has replaced question 2.2f from the baseline survey, which was for federal countries only. This is in recognition of the fact that many countries have sub-national authorities for water resources management, even if they are not federal countries.

³⁴ For the definition of 'capacity' in this context, see footnote 13. Beyond having the capacity, authorities must also actually be leading the implementation of these activities.

3 Management instruments

This section includes the tools that enable decision-makers and users to make rational and informed choices between alternative actions. It includes management programmes, monitoring water resources and the pressures on them, knowledge sharing and capacity development. Many of the questions in this section relate to other SDG 6 targets and indicators (see 6.5.1 Monitoring Guide), and coordination between different SDG reporting processes is encouraged where feasible.

Terminology used in the questions:

- Limited, Adequate, Very good, Excellent: Are terms used describe the status, coverage and effectiveness of the management instruments assessed in this section. Respondents should apply their own judgement based on the 'best-practice' descriptions of management instruments in the glossary, the section introduction, and through footnotes. For example, 'adequate' may imply that the basic minimum criteria for that particular management instrument are met. Please provide qualifying information to the question score in the 'Status description' cell immediately below each question.
- Management instruments: Can also be referred to as management tools and techniques, which include regulations, financial incentives, monitoring, plans/programmes (e.g. for development, use and protection of water resources), as well as those specified in footnotes on questions and thresholds below.
- Monitoring: collecting, updating, and sharing timely, consistent and comparable water-related data and information, relevant for science and policy.
 Effective monitoring requires ongoing commitment and financing from government. Resources required include appropriate technical capacity such as laboratories, portable devices, online water use control and data acquisition systems. May include a combination of physical data collection, remote sensing, and modelling for filling data gaps.
- Short-term / Long-term: In the context of management instruments, short-term includes ad-hoc activities and projects, generally not implemented as part of an overarching programme with long-term goals. Long-term refers to activities that are undertaken as part of an ongoing programme that has more long-term goals/aims and implementation strategy.
- **Accountability mechanisms:** refer to mechanisms that increase Transparency, Accountability, and Participation, and strengthen Anti-corruption (<u>TAP-A</u>. See also Annex A: Glossary). For each question in this section, it is suggested that TAPA-related mechanisms should "exist", as relevant, to achieve a score of 80 or 90 ("High" threshold), and should be "effective" to achieve a score of 100 ("Very high" threshold).

Please take note of all footnotes as they contain important information and clarification of terms used in the questions and thresholds.

Enter your score, **in increments of 10**, from 0-100, or "n/a" (not applicable), in the yellow cell immediately below each question. Enter free text in the "Status and progress" and "Way forward" fields below each question as advised in the Introduction in Part 1. This will help achieve agreement among different stakeholders in the country, as well as help monitor progress over time. Suggestions for the type of information that may be useful are provided. You may also provide further information you think is relevant, or links to further documentation.

3. Management Instruments										
		Degree of implementation (0 − 100)								
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)				
3.1 What is the status of management instruments to support IWRM implementation at the national level?										
a. National monitoring of water availability ³⁵ (includes surface and/or groundwater, as relevant to the country). Score 80	No national monitoring systems in place.	Monitoring systems established for a limited number of short-term / ad-hoc projects or similar.	Long-term national monitoring is carried out but with limited coverage and limited use by stakeholders.	Long-term national monitoring is carried out with adequate coverage but limited use by stakeholders.	Long-term national monitoring is carried out with very good coverage and adequate use by stakeholders.	Long-term national monitoring is carried out with excellent coverage and excellent use by stakeholders.				

Status and progress: National monitoring system includes surface waters and groundwater monitoring both quantity and quality with more or less adequate coverage of the country but access to information for other sectors and for stakeholders still a bit limited.

Way forward Information technology developments of harmonized water databases is needed with appropriate access rights for all stakeholders

b. Sustainable and	No	Use of management	Some management	Management	Management	Management
efficient water use	management	instruments is limited	instruments implemented	instruments are	instruments are	instruments are
management ³⁶ from the	instruments	and only through	on a more long-term	implemented on a long-	implemented on a long-	implemented on a long-
national level, (includes	being	short-term / ad-hoc	basis, but with limited	term basis, with	term basis, with very	term basis, with
surface and/or	implemented.	projects or similar.	coverage across different	adequate coverage	good coverage across	excellent coverage
groundwater, as relevant			water users and the	across different water	different water users	across different water
to the country).			country.	users and the country.	and the country, and	users and the country,
Score 80					are effective .	and are highly effective .

Status and progress: All types of management instruments exist without any geographic differences but the level or evidence of implementation across different stakeholder groups are not the same **Way forward:** Periodically reviewed and revised water management policy especially in sectors with less efficient use.

 $^{\rm 35}$ See definition of monitoring in Terminology at the beginning of section 3.

³⁶ Management instruments include demand management measures (e.g. technical measures, financial incentives, education and awareness raising to reduce water use and/or improve water-use efficiency, conservation, recycling and re-use), monitoring water use (including the ability to disaggregate by sector), mechanisms for allocating water between sectors (including environmental considerations). Coordination with SDG indicator 6.4.1 Focal Point and results is encouraged when answering this question.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)			
c. Pollution	No	Use of management	Some management	Management instruments	Management instruments	Management instruments			
control ³⁷ from the	management	instruments is	instruments	are implemented on a long-	are implemented on a	are implemented on a long-			
national level.	instruments	limited and only	implemented on a more	term basis, with adequate	long-term basis, with very	term basis, with excellent			
	being	through short-term /	long-term basis, but with	coverage across sectors and	good coverage across	coverage across sectors and			
	implemented.	ad-hoc projects or	limited coverage across	the country.	sectors and the country,	the country, and are highly			
Score 80		similar.	sectors and the country.		and are effective .	effective.			
Status and progress: There are national regulations and management instruments corresponding to EU regulations.									
Way forward: Periodi	cally reviewed and r	evised water management	policy especially in sectors with	significant pollution					
d. Management of	No	Use of management	Some management	Management instruments	Management instruments	Management instruments			
water-related	management	instruments is	instruments	are implemented on a long-	are implemented on a	are implemented on a long-			
ecosystems and	instruments	limited and only	implemented on a more	term basis, with adequate	long-term basis, with very	term basis, with excellent			
biodiversity ³⁸ from	being	through short-term /	long-term basis, but with	coverage across different	good coverage across	coverage across different			
the national level.	implemented.	ad-hoc projects or	limited coverage across	ecosystem types and the	different ecosystem types	ecosystem types and the			
		similar.	different ecosystem	country. Environmental	and the country, and are	country, and are highly			
			types and the country.	Water Requirements (EWR)	effective. EWR analysed	effective. EWR analysed for			
Score 80				analysed in some cases.	for most of country.	whole country.			

Status and progress: Environmental Act and Nature Protection Act ensure to use all types of management instruments and evidence of implementation across different ecosystem types. Groundwater dependent terrestrial ecosystems are subject of joint research by ecologists and hydrogeologists. Within the framework of the NÖSZTÉP project ecosystem services of natural and near-natural ecosystems are assessed, mapped and evaluated on a national scale.

Way forward More attention on ecosystem services and usage of remote sensing techniques.

. . .

³⁷ Includes regulations, water quality guidelines, water quality monitoring, economic tools (e.g. taxes and fees), water quality trading programmes, education, consideration of point and non-point (e.g. agricultural) pollution sources, construction and operation of wastewater treatment plants, watershed management. Coordination with SDG indicator 6.3.2 Focal Point and results is encouraged when answering this question.

³⁸ Water-related ecosystems include rivers, lakes and aquifers, as well as wetlands, forests and mountains. Management of these systems includes tools such as management plans, the assessment of Environmental Water Requirements (EWR), and protection of areas and species, to ensure ecosystem functions and services. Monitoring includes measuring extent and quality of the ecosystems over time. Consider coordination with SDG indicator 6.6.1 Focal Point and results, as well as with the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (under the Convention on Biological Diversity), when answering this question.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
e. Management	No	Use of	Some management	Management	Management instruments	Management instruments are
instruments to	management	management	instruments implemented	instruments are	are implemented on a	implemented on a long-term
reduce impacts	instruments	instruments is	on a more long-term	implemented on a long-	long-term basis, with very	basis, with excellent coverage of
of water-related	being	limited and only	basis, but with limited	term basis, with	good coverage of at-risk	at-risk areas and groups, and are
disasters ³⁹ from	implemented.	through short-term	coverage of at-risk areas.	adequate coverage of	areas and groups, and are	highly effective.
the national		/ ad-hoc projects or		at-risk areas and groups.	effective.	
level.		similar.				
Score 90						

Status and progress All types of management instruments are used related to Seveso Directive. The risk management instruments are implemented for all types of water-related disasters but the risk not eliminated yet. The implementation of Flood Directive is also part of the process. Register of critical infrastructures and potentially risky plants have been established.

Climate change considerations: The risk from water-related disasters increasing with the impact of climate change.

Way forward: Periodically reviewed and revised water management policy especially in sectors with significant risk

³⁹ 'Management instruments' can cover: understanding disaster risk; strengthening disaster risk governance; investing in disaster risk reduction; and enhancing disaster preparedness. 'Impacts' include social impacts (such as deaths, missing persons, and number of people affected) and economic impacts (such as economic losses in relation to GDP). 'Water-related disasters' include disasters that can be classified under the following: Hydrological (flood, landslide, wave action); Meteorological (convective storm, extratropical storm, extreme temperature, fog, tropical cyclone); Climatological (drought, glacial lake outburst, wildfire); and severe pollution events. Coordination with SDG indicator 11.5.1 Focal Point and results is encouraged when answering this question.

3.2 What is the status of management instruments to support IWRM implementation at other levels?											
	Degree of implementation (0 – 100)										
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)					
a. Basin management instruments. 40	No basin level management instruments being implemented.	Use of basin level management instruments is limited and only through short-term / ad-hoc projects.	Some basin level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, but with limited geographic and stakeholder coverage.	Basin level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, with adequate geographic and stakeholder coverage.	Basin level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, with effective outcomes and very good geographic and stakeholder coverage.	Basin level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, with highly effective outcomes and excellent geographic and stakeholder coverage.					
Measures across diffe	erent stakeholder group		plemented. Implementation of	to effectively manage river bas the Flood Risk Management Pl	in across country at different leve an is on-going.	l and implement Programme of					
b. Aquifer management instruments. 41	No aquifer level management instruments being implemented.	Use of aquifer level management instruments is limited and only through short-term / ad-hoc projects.	Some aquifer level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, but with limited geographic and stakeholder	Aquifer level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, with adequate geographic and stakeholder	Aquifer level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, with effective outcomes and very good geographic and stakeholder coverage.	Aquifer level management instruments implemented on a more long-term basis, with highly effective outcomes and excellent geographic and stakeholder coverage.					

Status and progress: River Basin Management Plans include all management instruments needed to effectively manage river basin across country at different level and implement Programme of Measures across different stakeholder groups. RBMP is only partly implemented.

Way forward: Strengthen political commitment and stakeholder involvement.

⁴⁰ Basin and aquifer management: involves managing water at the appropriate hydrological scale, using the surface water basin or aquifer as the unit of management. This may involve basin and aquifer development, use and protection plans. It should also promote multi-level cooperation, and address potential conflict among users, stakeholders and levels of government. To achieve 'Very high (100)' basin and aquifer management scores, surface and groundwater management should be integrated.

⁴¹ See previous footnote on basin management instruments, which also applies to aquifers.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
c. Data and	No data and	Limited data and	Data and information	Data and information	Data and information	All relevant data and
information sharing	information	information sharing	sharing arrangements	sharing arrangements	sharing arrangements	information are online and
within countries at	sharing.	on an ad-hoc basis.	exist on a more long-term	implemented on a more	implemented on a more	freely accessible to all.
all levels.42			basis between major data	long-term basis, with	long-term basis, with very	Appropriate measures are
			providers and users.	adequate coverage	good coverage across	in place to ensure data
Score 70				across sectors and the	sectors and the country.	integrity ⁴³ .
				country.		
information are online an	d accessible to anybo	dy but not the all relevan	_		information for public but still it is	a bit illilited. Some data and
d. Transboundary	No data and	Limited data and	Data and information	Data and information	Data and information	All relevant data and
data and information	information	information sharing	sharing arrangements	sharing arrangements	sharing arrangements	information are online and
sharing <u>between</u>	sharing.	on an ad-hoc or	exist, but sharing is	implemented	implemented effectively.44	accessible between
countries.		informal basis.	limited.	adequately.		countries.
Score 70						
Status and progress: D	ata and information s	haring arrangements exis	t in bilateral agreements and amo	ong ICPDR but still some limitat	ions. DAREFFORT project (Danube	River Basin Enhanced Flood
Forecasting Cooperation)	focus on the establish	nment of the Danube Hyd	Irological Information System (Da	nubeHIS) which is a fundamen	tal step towards flexible and sustair	nable data exchange.

Way forward: Strengthen political commitment of the parties and common projects to establish information systems on water quality of surface water and groundwater as well.

⁴² Includes more formal data and information sharing arrangements between users, as well as accessibility for the general public, where appropriate.

⁴³ <u>Data integrity</u> is the maintenance of, and the assurance of, data accuracy and consistency over its entire life-cycle.

⁴⁴ E.g. institutional and technical mechanisms in place that allow for exchanging data as agreed upon in agreements between riparians (e.g. regional database or information exchange platform with a river basin organization including technical requirements for data submission, institutionalized mechanisms for QA and for analysing the data, etc.).

4 Financing

This section concerns the adequacy of the finance available for water resources development and management from various sources.

Finance for investment and recurrent costs can come from many sources, the most common being central government budget allocations to relevant ministries and other authorities. Other sources include fees and tariffs levied on water users, polluter fees or grants from philanthropic or similar organisations. In-kind support should not be included as it is not easily measurable but can be mentioned in the 'Status and progress' field. Finance from Official Development Assistance (ODA) specifically for water resources should be considered part of the government budget. Note that the level of coordination between ODA and national budgets is tracked by the 'means of implementation' SDG indicator 6.a.1: "Amount of water- and sanitation-related official development assistance that is part of a government-coordinated spending plan", as part of reporting on Target 6.a: "By 2030, expand international cooperation and capacity-development support to developing countries in water- and sanitation-related activities and programmes, including water harvesting, desalination, water efficiency, wastewater treatment, recycling and reuse technologies".

Please take note of all footnotes as they contain important information and clarification of terms used in the questions and thresholds.

Enter your score, **in increments of 10**, from 0-100, or "n/a" (not applicable), in the yellow cell immediately below each question. Enter free text in the "Status and progress" and "Way forward" fields below each question as advised in the Introduction in Part 1. This will help achieve agreement among different stakeholders in the country, as well as help monitor progress over time. Suggestions for the type of information that may be useful are provided. You may also provide further information you think is relevant, or links to further documentation.

4. Financing											
		Degree of implementation (0 – 100)									
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)					
4.1 What is the status of financing for water resources development and management at the national level?											
a. National budget ⁴⁵ for water resources infrastructure ⁴⁶ (investment and recurrent costs). Score 50	No budget allocated in national investment plans.	Some budget allocated but only partly covers planned investments.	Sufficient budget allocated for planned investments but insufficient funds disbursed or made available.	Sufficient budget allocated and funds disbursed for most planned programmes or projects.	Sufficient funds disbursed for investment and recurrent costs, and being utilised in all planned projects. Accountability	Budget fully utilised for investment and recurrent costs, post-project evaluation carried out, budgets reviewed and revised. Accountability					
					mechanism(s) ⁴⁷ in place.	mechanisms are effective.					

Status and progress: Mainly EU Funds are allocated to cover infrastructure project and only some (but more and more) sources come from central government budget. Significant problem is the stakeholder contributions to investments.

Way forward: Strengthen political commitment and stakeholder involvement.

⁴⁵ Allocations of funding for water resources may be included in several budget categories or in different investment documents. Respondents are thus encouraged to examine different sources for this information. When assessing the allocations respondents should take account of funds from government budgets and any co-funding (loans or grants) from other sources such as banks or donors.

⁴⁶ Infrastructure includes 'hard' structures such as dams, canals, irrigation schemes, flood control, stormwater drainage etc., as well as 'soft' or 'green' infrastructure and environmental measures such as catchment management, sustainable drainage systems etc. The focus should be on infrastructure related to 'broader' water resources management, as opposed to infrastructure for drinking water supply or sanitation services (WaSH) (noting that WaSH financing is covered in the <u>GLAAS surveys</u>). Any differences in budget between water resources and WaSH infrastructure should be explained in the 'status and progress' field. Budgets should cover initial investments and recurrent costs of operation and maintenance.

⁴⁷ See description of "accountability mechanisms" in Annex A: Glossary.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
b. National budget for IWRM elements ⁴⁸ (investments and recurrent costs).	No budget allocations made for investments and recurrent costs of the IWRM elements.	Allocations made for some of the IWRM elements and implementation at an early stage.	Allocations made for at least half of the IWRM elements but insufficient for others.	Allocations for most of the IWRM elements and some implementation under way.	Allocations include all IWRM elements and implementation regularly carried out (investments and recurrent costs).	Planned budget allocations for all elements of the IWRM approach fully utilised, budgets reviewed and revised. Accountability mechanisms are effective.
		, 0			Accountability mechanism(s) in place.	

Status and progress: The central government budget covers partly the cost of the implementation of IWRM elements thus IWRM not fully implemented. Coverage of investments and recurrent costs highly depend on the yearly allocated state budget.

Climate change considerations: When determining the IWRM elements, the impact of climate change on water management is taken into account

Way forward: Strengthen political commitment to establish long-term financial programs to cover IWRM costs.

⁴⁸ 'IWRM elements' refers to all the activities described in sections 1, 2 and 3 of this survey that require funding, e.g. policy, law making and planning, institutional strengthening, coordination, stakeholder participation, capacity development, and management instruments such as research and studies, gender and environmental assessments, data collection, monitoring etc.

		Degree of implementation (0 − 100)					
	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)	
a. Sub-national or basin	No budget	Some budget allocated	Sufficient budget	Sufficient budget	Sufficient funds	Budget fully utilised , for	
udgets for water	allocated in sub-	in sub-national or	allocated for planned	allocated and funds	disbursed, for	investment and recurrer	
esources infrastructure ⁴⁹	national or basin	basin investment plans	investments in sub-	disbursed for most	investment and	costs, post-project	
investment and recurrent	investment plans.	but only partly covers	national or basin	planned programmes	recurrent costs, and	evaluation carried out,	
costs).		planned investments.	investment plans, but	or projects.	being utilised in all	budgets reviewed and	
Score 50			insufficient funds		planned projects.	revised. Accountability	
			disbursed or made		Accountability	mechanisms are effectiv	
			available.		mechanism(s) in place.		
Status and progress: There coossibilities to develop water i Way forward: Strengthen po	nfrastructures on local le	vel.			he Territorial and settlement	development OP includes so	
. Revenues raised for	No revenues raised	Processes in place to	Some revenue raised,	Revenues raised	Revenues raised cover	Revenues raised fully	
WRM elements. ⁵⁰	for IWRM	raise revenue but not	but generally not used	cover some IWRM	most IWRM activities.	cover costs of IWRM	
		yet implemented.	for IWRM activities.	activities.	Accountability	activities. Accountability	

Status and progress: Different types of revenues raised and mechanisms exist to meet requirements but not straight connection between collected tax and covered costs. Most of the revenues collected at national level and distributed to local level by centralised way. The local mechanism to collect revenues is regulated by government, prices are influenced by several point of view

Way forward: Strengthen political commitment to establish transparent revenue policy.

⁴⁹ Refer to footnotes 47 and 48, from question 4.1a.

⁵⁰ For 'IWRM elements', see above footnote. **Level**: revenues are likely to be raised from users at the local, basin, or aquifer levels, though may also be raised at other sub-national or national levels (please indicate which level(s) in the status and progress field). **Revenue raising** can occur through public authorities or private sector, e.g. through fees, charges, levies, taxes and 'blended financing' approaches. E.g. dedicated charges/levies on water users (including household level *if* revenues are spent on IWRM elements); abstraction & bulk water charges; discharge fees; environmental fees such as pollution charges, Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) schemes; and the sale of secondary products and services.

	Very low (0)	Low (20)	Medium-low (40)	Medium-high (60)	High (80)	Very high (100)
c. Financing for	No specific funding	MS agreement on country	Funding less than	Funding less than	Funding more than	Full funding of that
transboundary	allocated from the	share of contributions in	50% of that	75% of that	75% of that expected	expected as contributions
cooperation. ⁵¹	Member State (MS)	place and in-kind support	expected as	expected as	as contributions and by	and by regulation.
	budgets nor from	for the cooperation	contributions and	contributions and	regulation.	
Score 90	other regular sources.	organisation/arrangement.	by regulation.	by regulation.		

Status and progress: The annual share of funds agreed from MS national budgets to support the agreed ICPDR arrangement. Financing of operation of Transboundary Water Committees is ensured in the budget of Ministry of Interior. Membership in some international organisations suspended for financial reason e.g. INBO. There are also projects under CBC programs, some of which support the development of certain elements of IWRM on cross-border level.

Way forward: Mobilisation of Interregional funds (EUDRS) to cover some(more) transboundary cooperation activities.

d. Sub-national or	No budget allocations	Allocations made for	Allocations made	Allocations for	Allocations include all	Planned budget
basin budgets for	at sub-national or	some of the IWRM	for at least half of	most of the IWRM	IWRM elements and	allocations for all
IWRM elements ⁵²	basin level for	elements at sub-national	the IWRM	elements at sub-	implementation	elements of the IWRM
(investment and	investments and	or basin level and	elements at sub-	national or basin	regularly carried out	approach at sub-national
recurrent costs).	recurrent costs of	implementation at an	national or basin	level and some	(investments and	or basin level fully
Score 50	IWRM elements.	early stage.	level but	implementation	recurrent costs).	utilised, budgets
			insufficient for	under way.	Accountability	reviewed and revised.
			others.		mechanism(s) in place.	Accountability
						mechanisms are effective.

Status and progress: There are only low budgets or no separated budget for IWRM elements. The Rural Development Programme and the Territorial and settlement development OP includes some possibilities to cover IWRM elements on local level.

Way forward: Strengthen political commitment to establish long-term financial programs to cover IWRM costs.

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⁵¹ In this question "Member States (MS)" refers to riparian countries that are parties to the arrangement. "Contributions" refers to the annual share of funds agreed from MS national budgets to support the agreed TB cooperation arrangement. Regular funds obtained from for example, water user fees (e.g. hydropower charges) and polluter-pays fees based on existing regulation are also considered as sustainable funding. As variable and unsustainable, donor support should not be considered in the scoring, but may be referred to in the 'Status and progress' and 'Way forward' fields.

⁵² 'IWRM elements' refers to all the activities described in sections 1, 2 and 3 of this survey that require funding, e.g. policy, law making and planning, institutional strengthening, coordination, stakeholder participation, capacity development, and management instruments such as research and studies, gender and environmental assessments, data collection, monitoring etc. This question has been added since the baseline survey, acknowledging the importance of funding being available at more 'operational' levels.

5 Indicator 6.5.1 score

How to calculate the indicator 6.5.1 score

Please complete the table below as follows:

- 1. Calculate the average score of each of the four sections by averaging all question scores in each section, rounded to the nearest whole number. Example: Section average of 41.5 should be rounded to 42. Section average of 70.2 should be rounded to 70. If 'not applicable' is selected for any question, this should not be included in the indicator calculations, and therefore will not affect the average score. However, questions with a score of '0' (zero) should be included.
- 2. Calculate the average of the four section scores (whole numbers) to give the overall score for indicator 6.5.1, **rounded to the nearest whole number**. Example: Calculating final IWRM score from four section scores: (81 + 63 + 47 + 58)/4 = 62.25. Final 6.5.1 score (rounded to a whole number) = 62.

Please note an automated calculation template is available here if required.

Section	Average Scores (all values rounded to nearest whole number)
Section 1 Enabling environment	
Section 2 Institutions and participation	
Section 3 Management instruments	
Section 4 Financing	
Indicator 6.5.1 score = Degree of IWRM* implementation (0-100)*	

^{*} Use rounded section average scores (to the nearest whole number), to calculate the indicator score, and round this to the nearest whole number.

Interpretation of the score

The score indicates the 'degree of implementation of integrated water resources management', on a scale of 0 to 100, with 0 signifying 'very low' implementation, and 100 signifying 'very high' implementation. However, the true value of the survey to countries lies within the scores, 'status and progress' and 'way forward' fields for each question, as this helps to identify which actions need to be taken to move towards a greater degree of implementation of IWRM.

Quick QA checklist for the Focal Point

To ensure robustness of the final submission, and to avoid further revisions, you may use this QA checklist to avoid common mistakes in the submission.

(The checklist is provided to assist Focal Points in the QA process only and does not affect the submission scores in any way).

The submission cover page contains up to date contact information of the Focal Point (or alternative contact)	
All questions have been answered (either with a score or n/a) in the yellow cells immediately below each question.	
The individual survey questions are scored in increments of 10 or as n/a only. I.e. possible scores are 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100 or n/a.	
Explanatory information is provided for all questions in the fields called 'Status and progress' and 'Way forward'.	
Section 5 of the survey has been filled and final score for indicator 6.5.1 has been calculated from the four section average scores, rounded to the nearest whole number (E.g. score 55.5 would be rounded to 56).	
Annex B (Key priorities and targets for IWRM implementation) has been completed.	
Annex C (6.5.1 Country reporting process form) has been completed.	

Annexes:

Annex A: Glossary

- Accountability mechanisms: provide ways for all partners to hold each other to account on the specific, measurable, time-bound actions they have committed to. In the context of this survey, they may include activities that increase <u>Transparency</u>, <u>Accountability</u>, <u>and Participation</u>, <u>and strengthen Anti-corruption (TAP-A)</u>. Together, these form a framework for integrity.⁵³ For example, in relation to the financing questions in section 4, 'accountability mechanisms' typically include mechanisms that make data and information on budgets and expenditures publicly available, and enable participatory budgeting and monitoring of expenditure where appropriate. Such mechanisms should include functions to identify and address corruption and mismanagement.
- Authorities: could be ministry or ministries, or other organizations/institutions/departments/agencies/bodies with a mandate and funding from government.
- Basins: Includes rivers, lakes and aquifers, unless otherwise specified. For surface water, the term is interchangeable with 'catchments' and 'watersheds'.
- Federal countries: Refers to countries made up of federated states, provinces, territories or similar terms.
- **Gender mainstreaming:** Gender mainstreaming is about fully integrating gender perspectives in water planning, management, and decision-making, in a cross-cutting manner. It is not just about increasing women's representation on committees, or having a general national legal framework on gender equality, although those actions may be part of the overall framework. The dedicated <u>Gender Checklist</u> can be used as a discussion tool to help stakeholders to agree on the score for question 2.2d, and to inform the 'status and progress' and 'way forward' responses to that question. The Gender Checklist is derived from the report <u>Advancing towards gender mainstreaming in water resources management</u> which presents examples of some specific mechanisms, practices, and tools that have been developed and used by countries in order to progress with gender mainstreaming in water resources management. These have been grouped into six categories: (1) advocacy, high-level commitment, changing prevailing norms and stereotypes; (2) legislative and policy framework and governance; (3) human capital, financial resources, institutions, and support organisations; (4) women's participation and parity; (5) monitoring activities to track and assess progress; (6) awareness raising, capacity development, and education.⁵⁴
- **IWRM:** Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) is a process that promotes the coordinated development and management of water, land and related resources in order to maximise the resultant economic and social welfare in an equitable manner without compromising the sustainability of vital ecosystems. IWRM is not an end in itself but a means of achieving three key strategic objectives:
 - o efficiency to use water resources in the best way possible;
 - o equity in the allocation of water across social and economic groups;
 - o environmental sustainability, to protect the water resource base, as well as associated ecosystems.
- National (level): Refers to the highest level of administration in a country.

⁵³ Source: Water Integrity Network: Integrity Walls. https://www.waterintegritynetwork.net/integrity-walls-tap/

⁵⁴ Mainstreaming gender in resources management supports a range of targets in the SDGs, including under Goal 5 on achieving gender equality and empowering all women and girls (e.g. <u>SDG Target 5.5</u>). Furthermore, question 2.2d also addresses the call for gender disaggregated data in the 2030 Agenda (e.g. <u>SDG Target 17.18</u>).

- **Sub-national / state (level):** refers to levels of administration other than national. For federal countries, these are likely to be provinces or states. Non-federal countries may still have sub-national jurisdictions with some responsibility for water resources management, e.g. regions, countries, departments.
- **Programmes:** Nation-wide plans of action with long-term objectives, for example to strengthen monitoring, knowledge sharing and capacity development, with details on what work is to be done, by whom, when, and what means or resources will be used.
- Transboundary: Refers to surface and groundwater basins that cross one or more national borders. Only the most important transboundary basins or aquifers that are regarded as significant, in terms of economic, social or environmental value to the country (or neighbouring countries), need to be included in this survey. It is up to countries to decide which ones these are. Where feasible, basins/aquifers included in this survey should be cross-referenced with those included in 6.5.2 reporting (www.sdg6monitoring.org/indicators/target-65/indicators652/), and the focal point for 6.5.2 should be consulted in this process. In the absence of 6.5.2 data or national databases, global databases on transboundary river basins (http://twap-rivers.org/indicators/), and transboundary aquifers (https://www.un-igrac.org/ggis/explore-all-transboundary-groundwaters), may be referred to. If you include a national (sub-basin) as part of a larger transboundary basin, please also include the name of the larger basin. When answering transboundary questions, the majority of most important basins/aquifers must meet the criteria described in each threshold to achieve the score for that threshold.
- **Stakeholders:** In this survey, stakeholders are the main groups important for water resources management, development and use. Examples of stakeholders in each group are given in footnotes as they appear in the survey.
- Water Resources Management is the activity of planning, developing, distributing and managing the optimum use of water resources. Ideally, water resource management planning considers all the competing demands for water and seeks to allocate water on an equitable basis to satisfy all uses and demands. An integrated approach (see IWRM) is needed to ensure water resources management is not isolated within sector silos resulting to inefficiencies, conflicts and unsustainable resource use.

Annex B: Key priorities and targets for IWRM implementation

1) What are the <u>priority action areas⁵⁵</u> to advance IWRM implementation overall in the country? Include priorities/actions that are ongoing, already planned, and/or those that may be emerging based on the survey results. Where relevant, please also note the status of implementation of the priorities/actions (e.g. giving some indication of necessary follow-up).

Answer:

2) Target setting

The intention of the table below is to encourage discussion among stakeholders on the likelihood of reaching the global targets⁵⁶, or on the need to establish national targets. It can also be used to inform regional and global processes about whether countries feel they are on track to meet the global targets or not, and if they prefer to set national targets.

Scores may be the same in both columns. It is also possible to only complete one column, and/or to only provide scores for the overall indicator (bottom row). I.e. use the table as is most useful.

Section	Business-As-Usual (BAU) projected score for 2030*	National target for 2030**
Section 1 Enabling environment		
Section 2 Institutions and participation		
Section 3 Management instruments		
Section 4 Financing		
Indicator 6.5.1 score		
= Degree of IWRM implementation (0-100)		

^{*} approximate score (or range), based on reporting in 2017, 2020, 2023, current rates of progress, and stakeholder judgement. A simple calculation template is provided in the calculation template (see 'Projections-Targets' worksheet), if useful.

^{**} potential 'realistic' score by 2030, if certain measures are put in place, for example as described in question 1 of this annex. Please indicate if these are existing targets, or informal targets defined during this monitoring process.

⁵⁵ Priority action areas: could include any of the aspects covered in this survey, or others. E.g. improving cross-sectoral coordination; raising the profile of the importance of IWRM implementation at the highest planning and financing levels (advocacy); developing or implementing laws, strategies, plans, programmes, projects; improving revenue raising; improving monitoring and evaluation of implementation; increasing institutional capacity at national/basin/aquifer level; improving transboundary cooperation, etc.

⁵⁶ Average scores of 91 or above ('very high' category), for each of the four dimensions and the overall indicator score.

3)	Additional comments on target-setting: Answer:
4)	Additional general comments (e.g. related to the: status/challenges of IWRM implementation; country context; threats to water resources; impacts of climate change, or other): Answer:

Annex C: 6.5.1 country reporting process form

To increase transparency and confidence in results, please provide a brief overview of the reporting process. e.g. main actors involved; meetings/workshops held; other means of gathering inputs from stakeholders; iterations of drafts and finalisation/approval processes. Also note the main challenges/strengths of the process. Use as much space as needed. If you have completed a full Stakeholder Consultation report, please provide a brief summary here, and refer to that report.

Focal Point affiliation	
Brief process overview:	
Any main points of difference in stakeholder opinion in answering the survey questions?:	
Additional comments on the survey or supporting materials, if any:	

	Level of engagement (mark with 'X')			Additional information
Stakeholder groups	Low (given opportunity	Medium	High (discussion/	(e.g. which stakeholder organisations were involved, how they contributed or
	to contribute)	(some input)	negotiation)	were engaged, or any challenges faced)
National water agencies				
Other public sector agencies				
Sub-national water agencies				
Basin/Aquifer agencies				
Water User Associations				
Civil society				
Private sector				
Vulnerable groups				
Gender expertise				
Research/academia				
Transboundary expertise				(e.g. Focal Point for SDG 6.5.2 and/or other)
Other SDG focal points				(e.g. Focal Points from other indicators)
Please add rows if required				