# A Global perspective on Water Supply & Sanitation: Current situation, challenges & future trends



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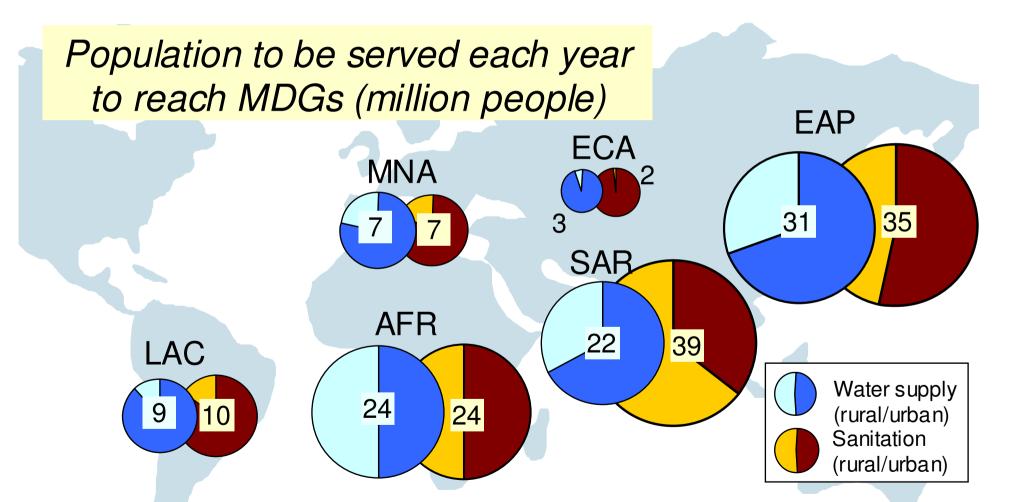


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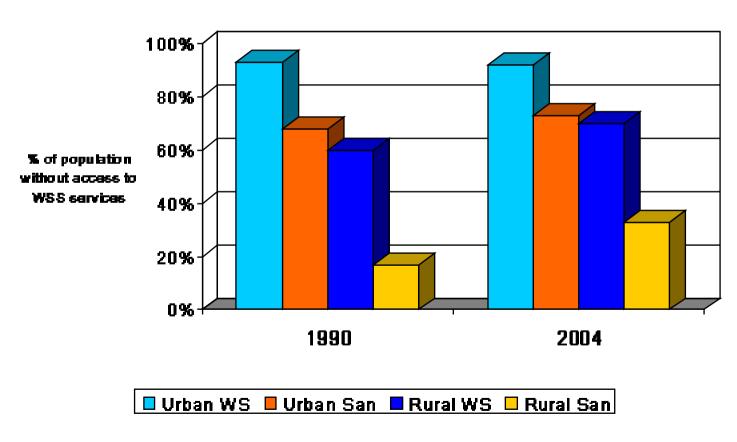
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#### The challenge to reach the MDGs



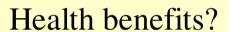
# The MDG Challenge: Scaling up is far from easy



Source: Water, Electricity and the Poor: who benefits from Utility Subsidies? World Bank 2005

#### The challenge – beyond the numbers

Official statistics use proxy indicators – proximity to *hardware*... far fewer countries *on track* for:





Girl's school enrolment?



Environmental sustainability?



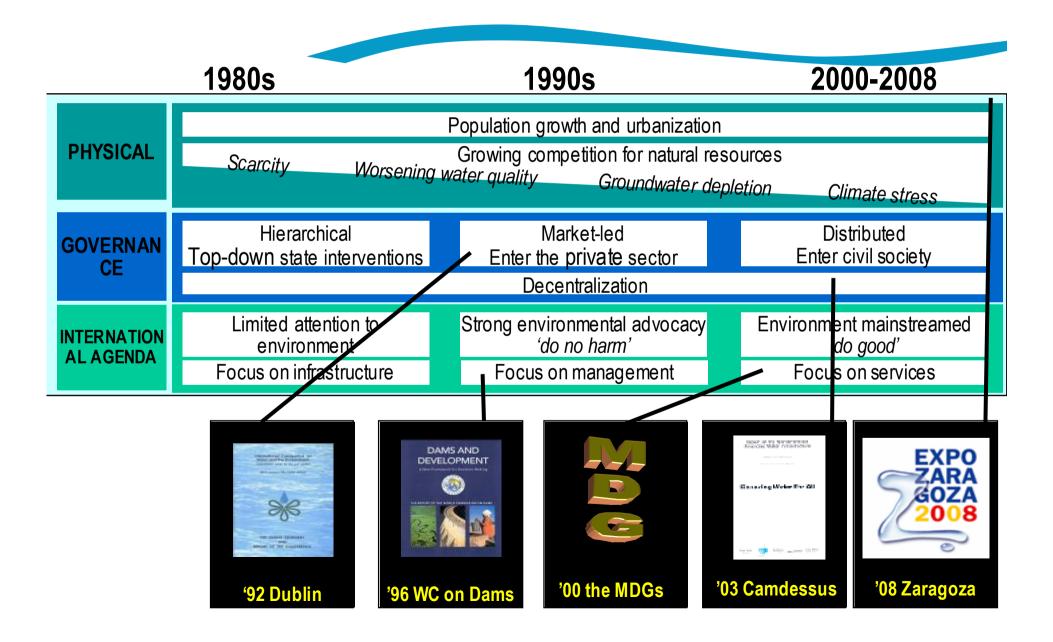
Sustainable access to safe drinking water and adequate sanitation key to improved health, education, and environmental outcomes

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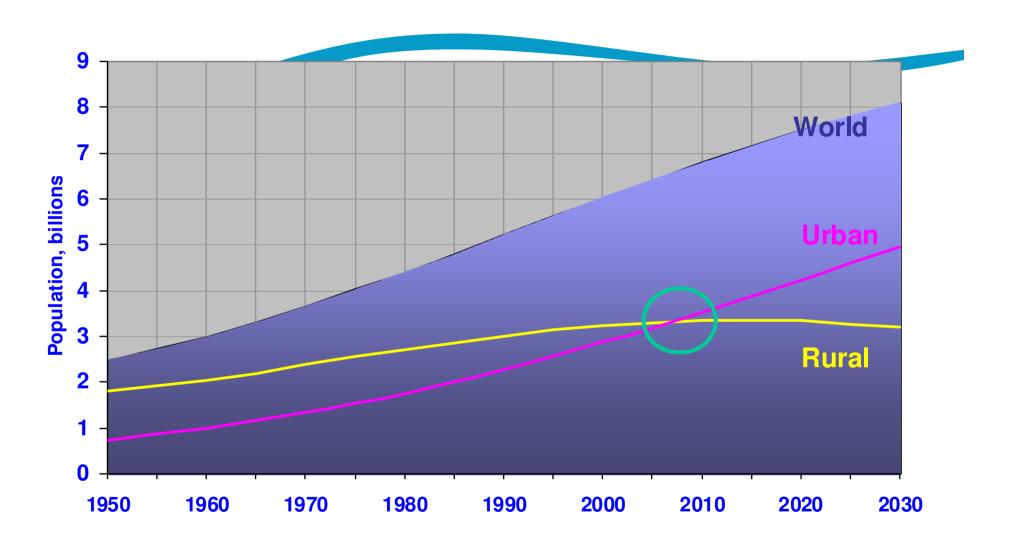
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#### Trends in the water sector



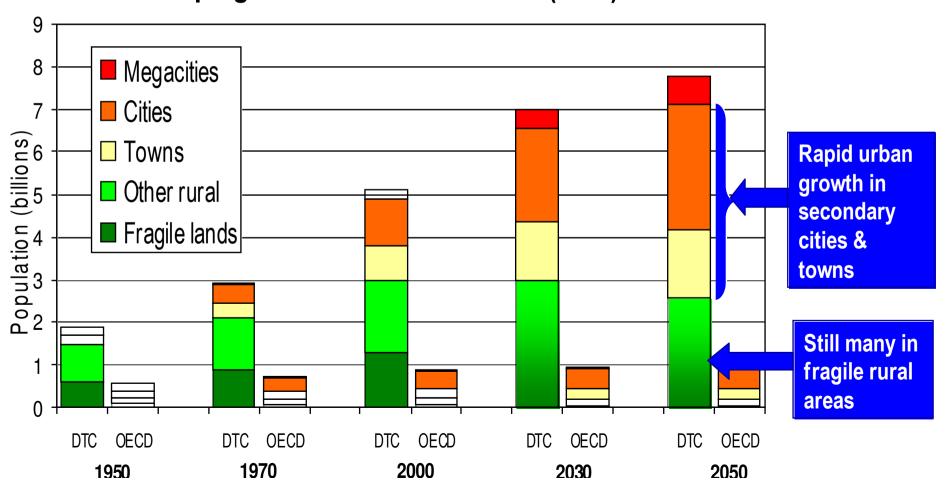
#### Trend 1: Population growth



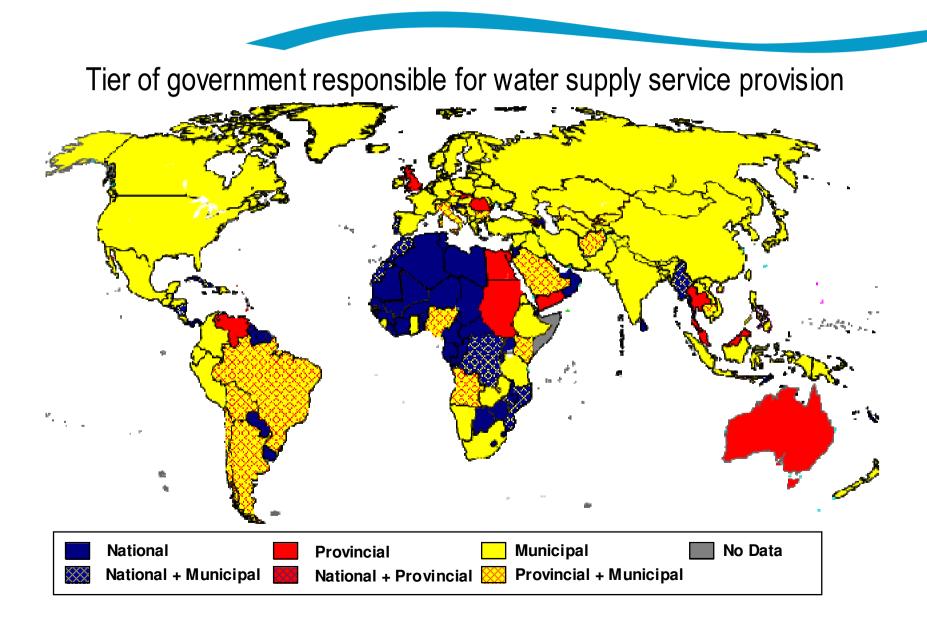
Source: UN Population Data

#### **Trend 2: Urbanization**

### Projected Population Developing & Transition Countries (DTC) and OECD



#### Trend 3: Decentralization

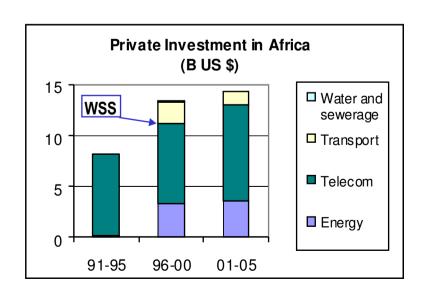


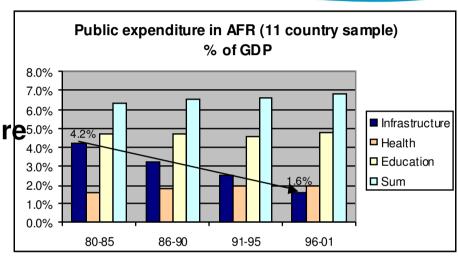
# Trend 4: Financial flows going

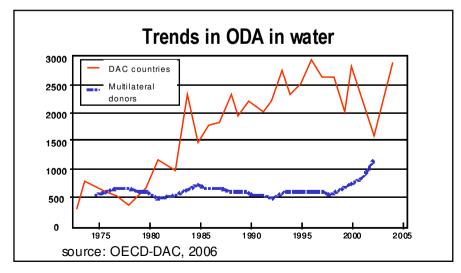
Private investment is increasing, but not in water

Public investment in infrastructure 4.0% decreasing

**Donor financing stable at best** 



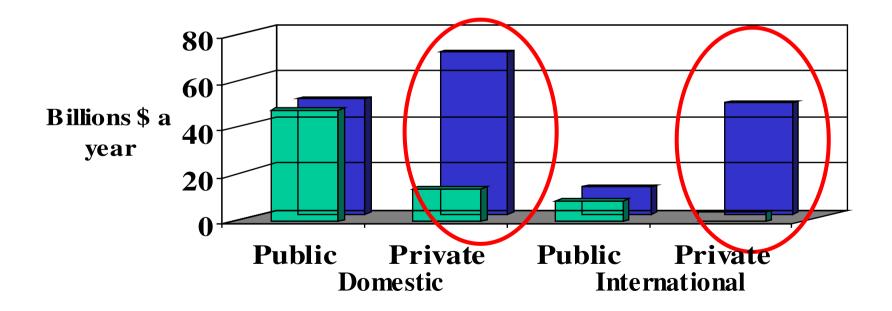




#### Financing remains a major challenge

Consensus in the late 1990s: Increased financing will come from private sector





### The change in financial and aid architecture

- Changes in financial and aid architecture e an impact on
  - The markets/countries that the Bank is serving:
    - The role of IDA versus IBRD
    - The role of emerging and nonemerging market economies
  - The role of the Bank in these different market segments
- The standing of the Bank amongst nors



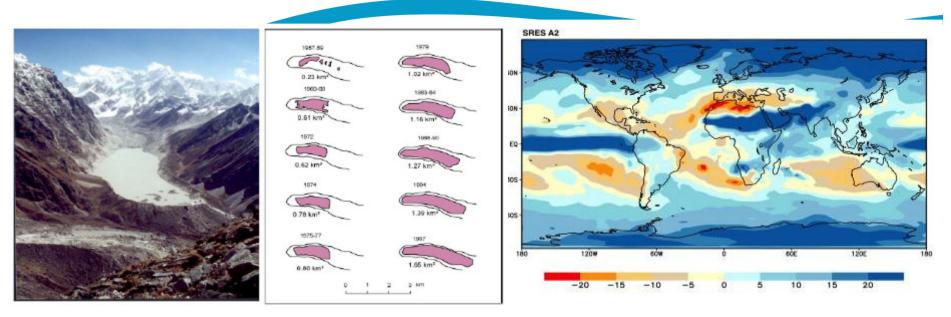


#### Trend 6: Climate change



- Some areas drier others wetter
- Extreme events
- Sea level rise

### Climate Change: A dominant issue for the Water Practice



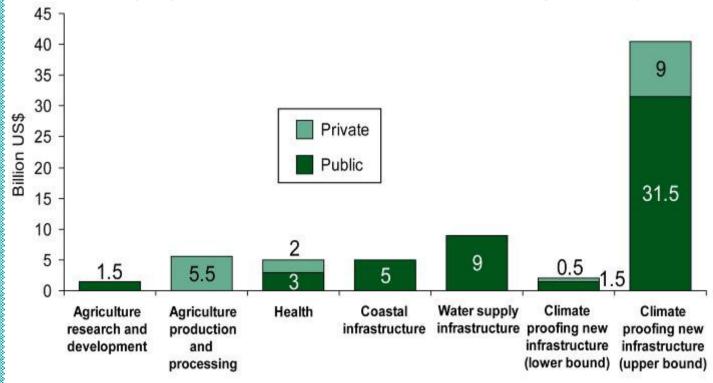
- Climate Change impacts on the hydrology has long lasting impacts on water systems
- Water must become the focus of adaptation as energy is for mitigation
- Large flows of resources are needed to cope with unavoidable consequences of Climate Change

#### **How Much Does Adaptation Cost?**

There Are Some Estimates, but Ranges Are Wide & Uncertain

- The implied change in temperature is 1.5º C for 2030
- Cost estimates based on expert opinion
- Wide range of possible infrastructure costs due to information gaps

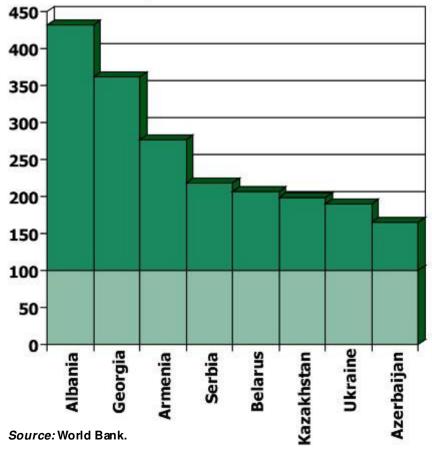




Source: UNFCCC 2007.

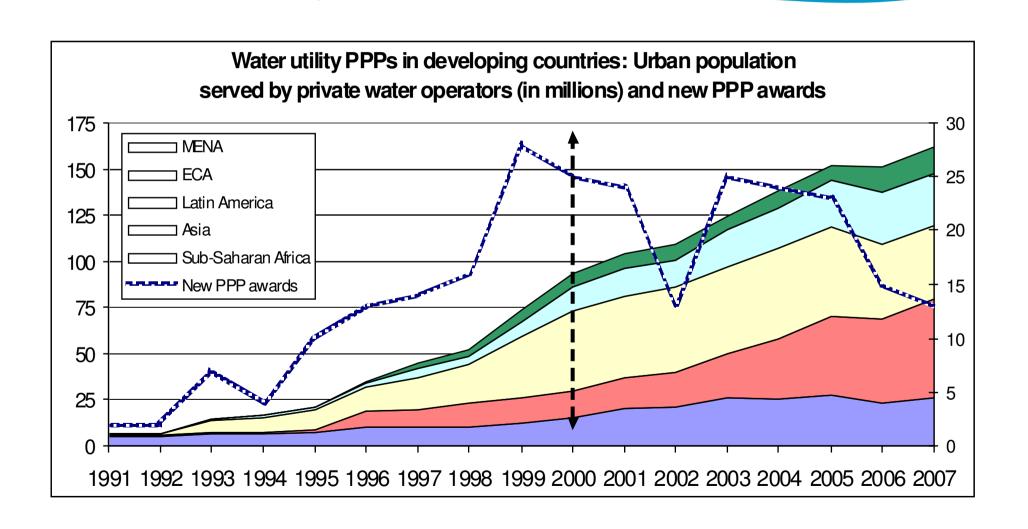
#### But...Good Adaptation is Cost-Effective



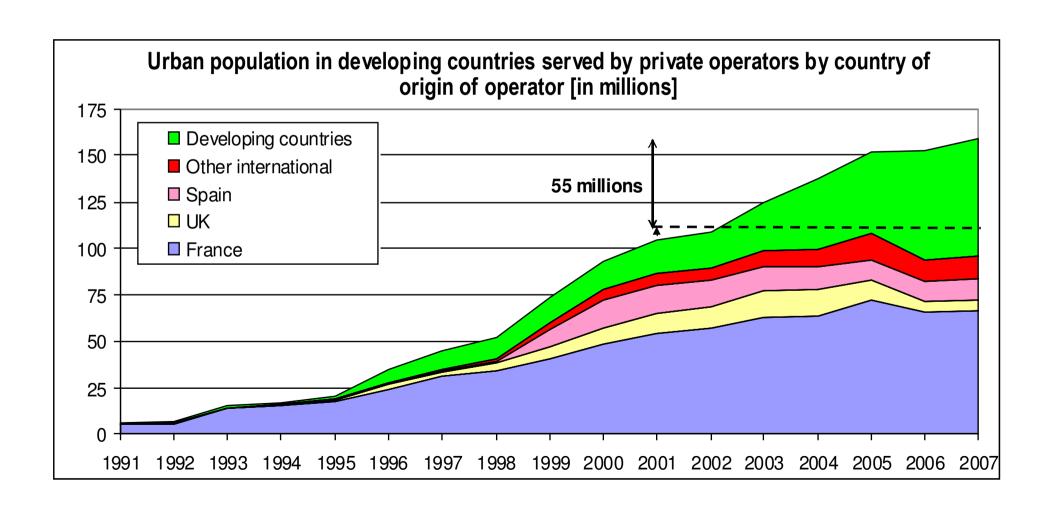


For instance, investment information and knowledge: each 100 Euros spent in meteorological systems yields at least 200 Euros in avoided damages

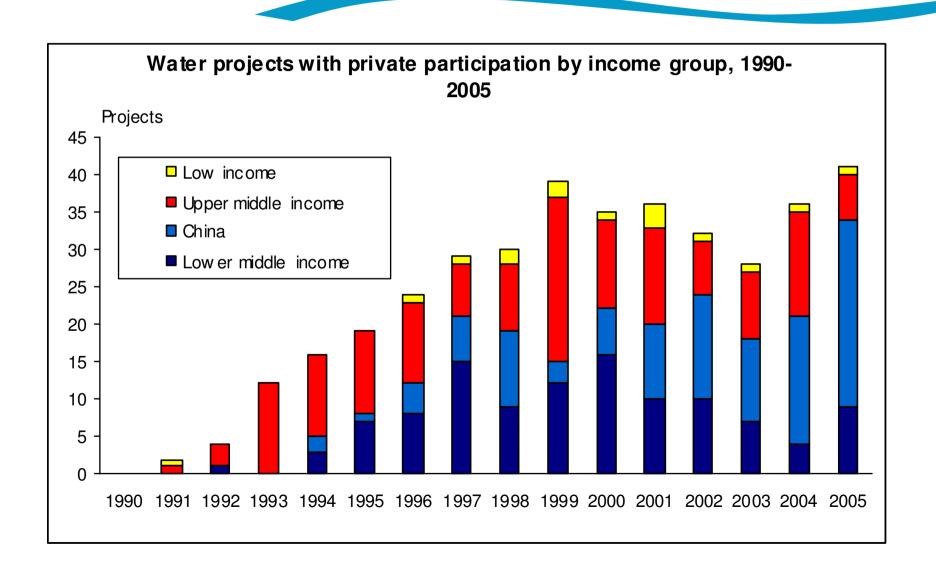
### Trend 7: The changing face of the private sector



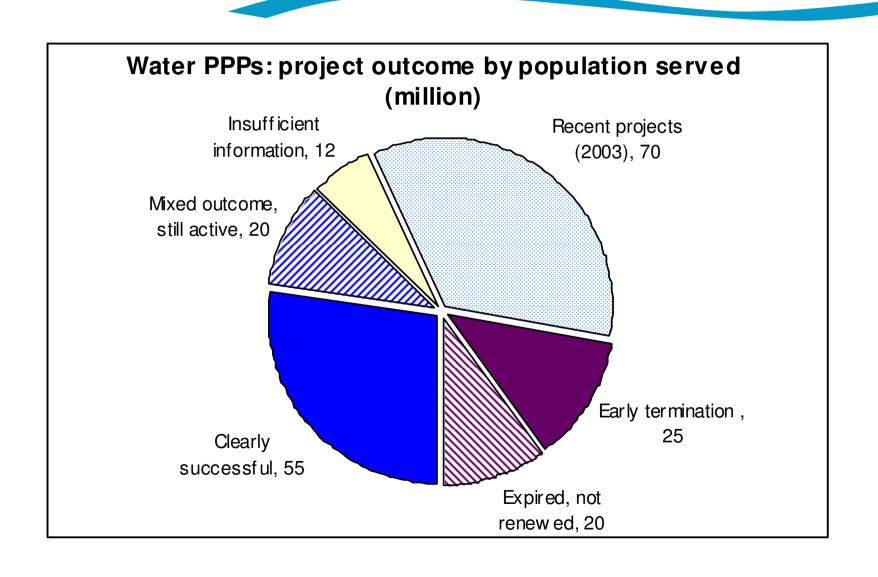
# Increasing role of private operators from developing countries



### PPP is concentrated in middle income countries (especially China)



#### Overall track record of PPP

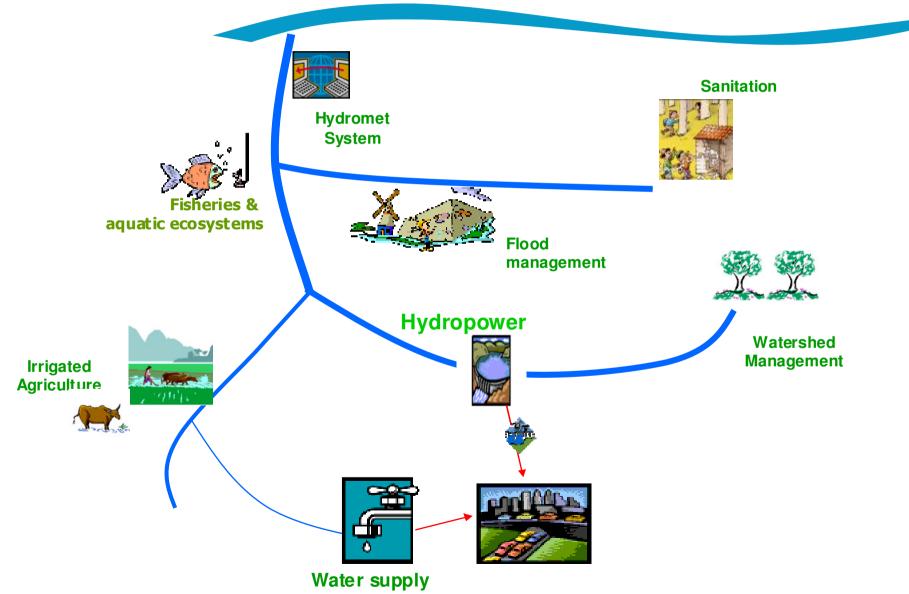


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## Integrated water resources management: moving from rhetoric to practice



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#### Response: ntegration of the Water Agenda in he World Bank

Internal integration

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Integration with Sustainable

ment:

- Cross-cutting issues
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- ~ Internalizing the cost of environment
- ~ Spatial development



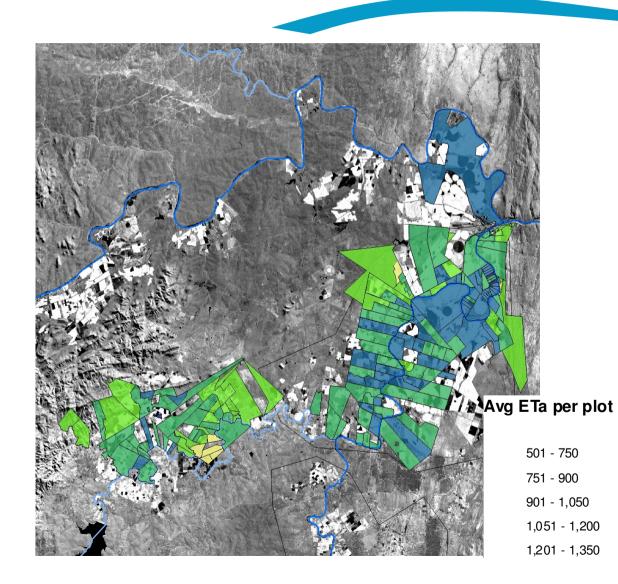


### Response: Look at different ways for managing water scarcity

- Where water use is currently unsustainable, need to bring consumption down to productivity
  - Consider actual evapotranspiration (ET) not abstraction
    - Measures groundwater and surface water together
    - Measures net (takes account of return lows)
  - Establish target ET for at appropriate level (country, county, basin, irrigation area, plot)
    - Keep consumptive use (ET) of
    - ET of surface water sumicient for pasic land ecological functions, including outflow to sea
  - Maximize value generated by water consumption within those limits
    - Infrastructure measures \_\_.g. canal lining, micro\_rrigation) increase the share of ET that \_\_\_\_\_ial (ie transpired by "useful" plants)
    - Agriculture management measures and cropping pattern, ieties, soil moisture management, irrigation timing) increase value of transpiration sustainable levels and increase water

use

## An example: Cap overall water consumption at the basin, irrigation area or plot level



Remote sensing tools can help determine water ruses, and water productivity.

Plot-level balances can show over-use of groundwater (blue) and be used to target inspection activities

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# Response: Expanding Existing Business Lines

- Refocus on sanitation
- Implementing the Africa Irrigation Business Plan
- The role of hydrology in dealing with climate change



# Response: Adaptation to Climate Change



- Link between applied climate science, adaptation policy and development projects
- Strategic and operational responses are obtained through a top down and bottom up approaches
- Partnership with top climate agencies

### Response: Knowledge Management and Learning

- To confront this challenge, we ed to work together, learn from each her, and knowledge
- Expo Zaragoza 2008 an excellent forum for knowledge sharing and learning
- Results measurement is key to underpinning response e challenges in the water sector, and is a tool to
  - ~ Improve governance in the watenector
  - ~ Offer client a more tailor mode approachhare our



