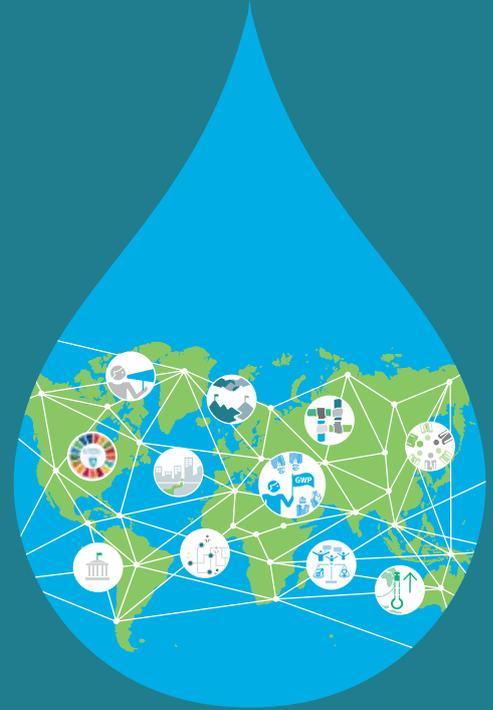


# Mobilising for a Water Secure World

Strategy 2020–2025



## THE URGENCY

The global water crisis urgently needs **more attention** and **coordinated action**. Sound and integrated water resources management is needed more than ever.

**THREATS**

Poverty  
Decreasing water quality  
Inequalities  
Pollution  
Climate change  
Poor coordination  
Urbanisation  
Competing demands  
Migration  
Floods  
Water scarcity  
Population growth  
Droughts  
Fragmentation  
Conflicts  
Ecosystem degradation  
Water-related risks  
Water-borne disease  
Hunger

**OPPORTUNITIES**

Investment  
Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)  
Voices of water  
Infrastructure  
Youth engagement  
Employment  
Nature-based solutions  
Sendai framework  
Valuing water  
Transboundary cooperation  
Gender equality  
Private sector  
Technology Innovation  
Nexus  
New business practices  
Paris Agreement



## OUR STRATEGY 2020–2025:

### MOBILISING FOR A WATER SECURE WORLD

As countries and development partners work to address major water challenges, the Global Water Partnership (GWP) will mobilise key players and learn from new experiences in order to create and maintain momentum for coordinated action.

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

# Who we are

## OUR VISION

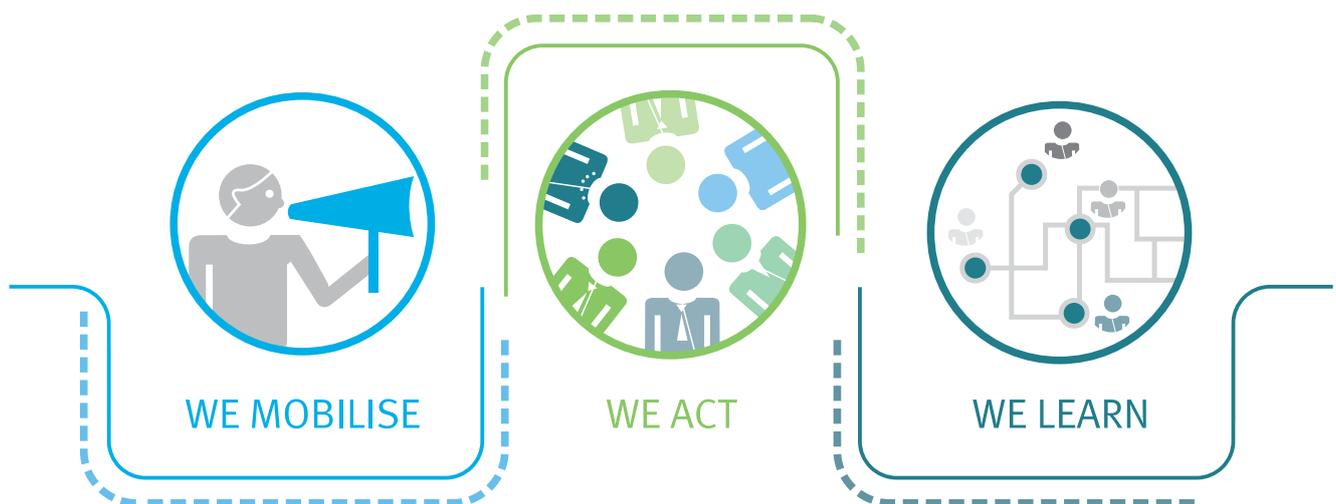
A water secure world

## OUR MISSION

To advance governance and management of water resources for sustainable and equitable development

## HOW WE DRIVE CHANGE

Leveraging global policy frameworks, we will inject motivation, opportunity, and capacity into processes that have the potential to lead to systems changes at all levels.



## OUR UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION

### Our reach

We comprise 3,000+ partner organisations in over 180 countries, influencing change from local to global levels.

### Our network

65+ Country Water Partnerships and 13 Regional Water Partnerships convene and broker coordinated action of government and non-government actors.

### Our knowledge

We draw on implementation experience at the local level and link it across our Network and to global development agendas.

# OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

We strategically choose to work in areas where global or regional policy frameworks exist and bring leadership focus, progress measurement, development partner action and potential for financing.

**Foster coordination on water across the Sustainable Development Goals**

**Value water for development**

**Leverage the SDG target 6.5 on integrated water resources management**



**PROVIDE WATER SOLUTIONS TO DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES**

We reduce fragmentation and increase effectiveness by supporting coordinated planning and implementation with a range of actors.

We contribute to a better understanding of the value of water across sectors, as well as for societal well-being, future generations, and gender equality.

We support countries to establish national IWRM status assessments and use progress against SDG 6.5 as an entry point to prioritise and formulate responses to broader water challenges.

We ensure water-specific insights are embedded and delivered towards national climate-related commitments, including Nationally Determined Contributions and National Adaptation Plans.

We support countries to access financing for climate adaptation by providing project preparation services such as feasibility studies, stakeholder outreach, and gender sensitisation.

We support the process of moving from initial investment planning by addressing key barriers in water-related infrastructure projects.



**CATALYSE CLIMATE-RESILIENT DEVELOPMENT**

**Advance national adaptation planning**

**Facilitate access to climate finance**

**Support integrated resilience planning, including in water infrastructure**

**Improve transboundary water governance**

**Engage in learning on water governance and international water law**

**Convene through regional dialogues**



**ENHANCE TRANSBOUNDARY COOPERATION**

We advance transboundary cooperation by supporting investment planning, mobilising finance, strengthening institutions, and developing mechanisms for benefit sharing.

We facilitate peer-to-peer learning on international water governance and law so that practitioners understand and identify solutions to complex transboundary water issues.

We act as neutral conveners, working across sectors and borders as facilitators of regional dialogues to establish trust and identify entry points for cooperation.

# OUR MEASURES OF SUCCESS

GWP will contribute to water secure, sustainable, inclusive, and resilient development.

We will significantly advance water-related SDGs in **60 countries** and **20 transboundary basins**, with a combined population of over **4 billion** people.

We will influence **€10 billion+** in water-related investments from government and private sources.



**300+ water-related policies, laws, institutional arrangements and related management instruments** incorporating IWRM principles adopted at regional, national, and local levels.

**80+ approved investment plans and budget commitments** associated with policies, plans, and strategies that integrate water secure development.



**30+ countries access climate finance** to implement water-informed National Adaptation Plans and integrated flood and drought management policies and measures.

**Investments of €1 billion+** directly supported in climate-resilient water management and infrastructure founded on robust, inclusive, and effective water governance systems.



**20+ new transboundary arrangements, commitments, and agreements** supported through GWP's role as a neutral convener and facilitator of cross-border dialogue.

**20+ transboundary institutions strengthened or established** with support from GWP teams, with a mandate to coordinate cross-border water resources management planning and investment.

## 20+ YOUTH-CENTRIC

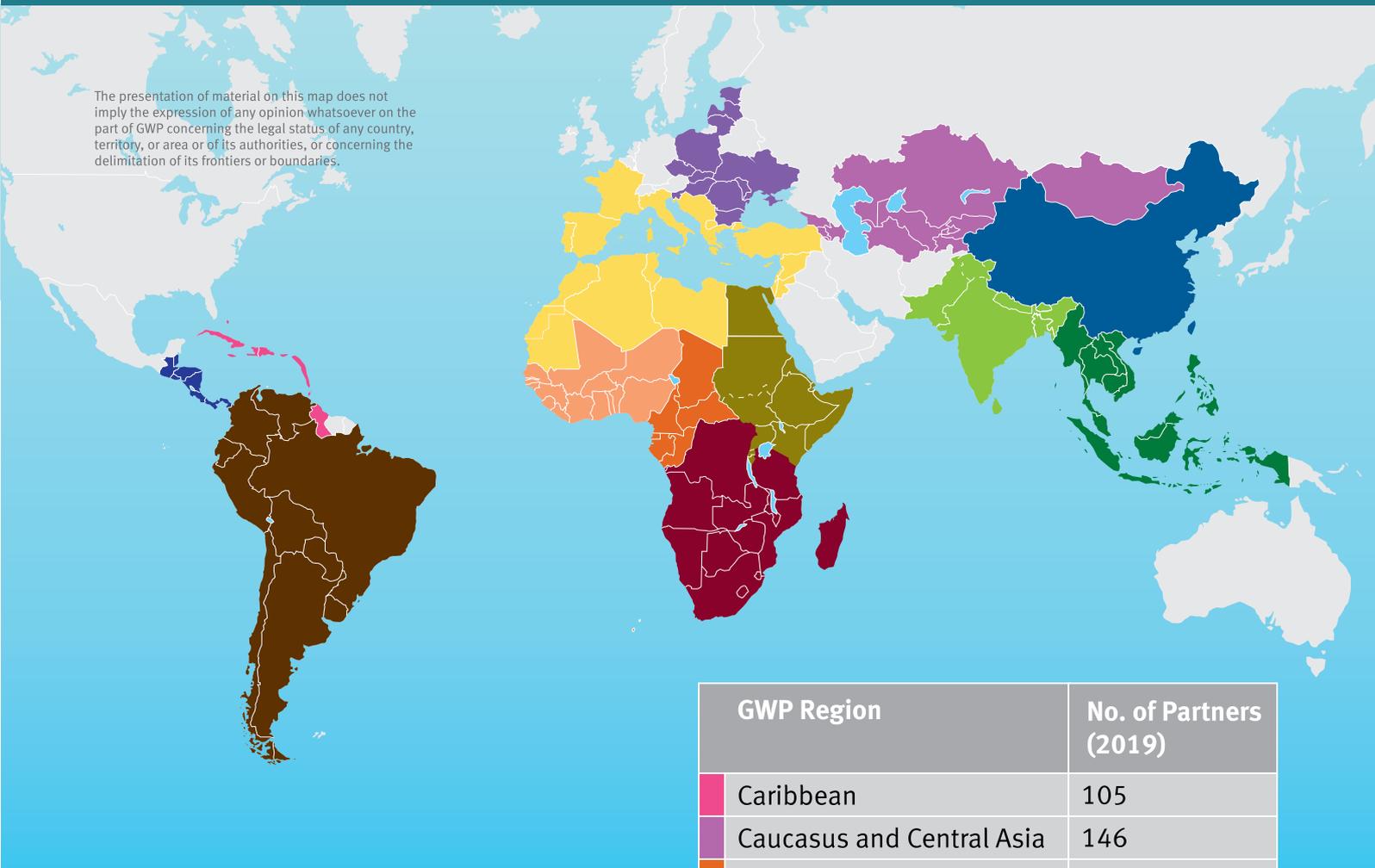
initiatives that mobilise youth to engage with **WATER MANAGEMENT** and governance processes and systems and to **PARTICIPATE IN DECISION-MAKING**

**20+ COUNTRIES IMPLEMENT DEVELOPMENT PLANS,** strategies, and formal commitments that aim to contribute to **GENDER INCLUSION AND/OR EQUALITY** through water secure development

**20+ INITIATIVES WITH PRIVATE SECTOR** actors to mobilise investment, **REDUCE IMPACTS ON WATER** by key industries and promote **INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

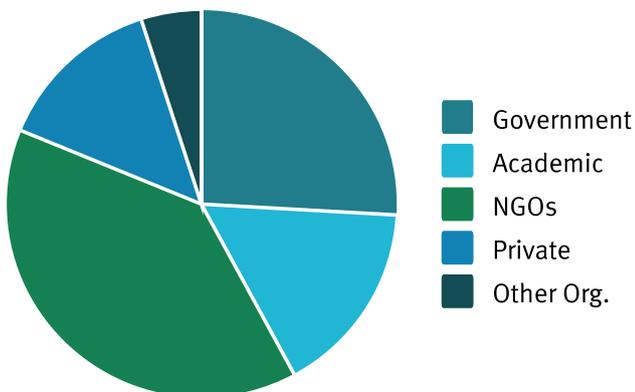
# AN ACTION NETWORK WITH A GLOBAL PRESENCE

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GWP Region	No. of Partners (2019)
Caribbean	105
Caucasus and Central Asia	146
Central Africa	173
Central America	216
Central and Eastern Europe	184
China	99
Eastern Africa	303
Mediterranean	91
South America	359
South Asia	404
South East Asia	247
Southern Africa	338
West Africa	235
Global	290
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,190</b>

## GWP Partners by type

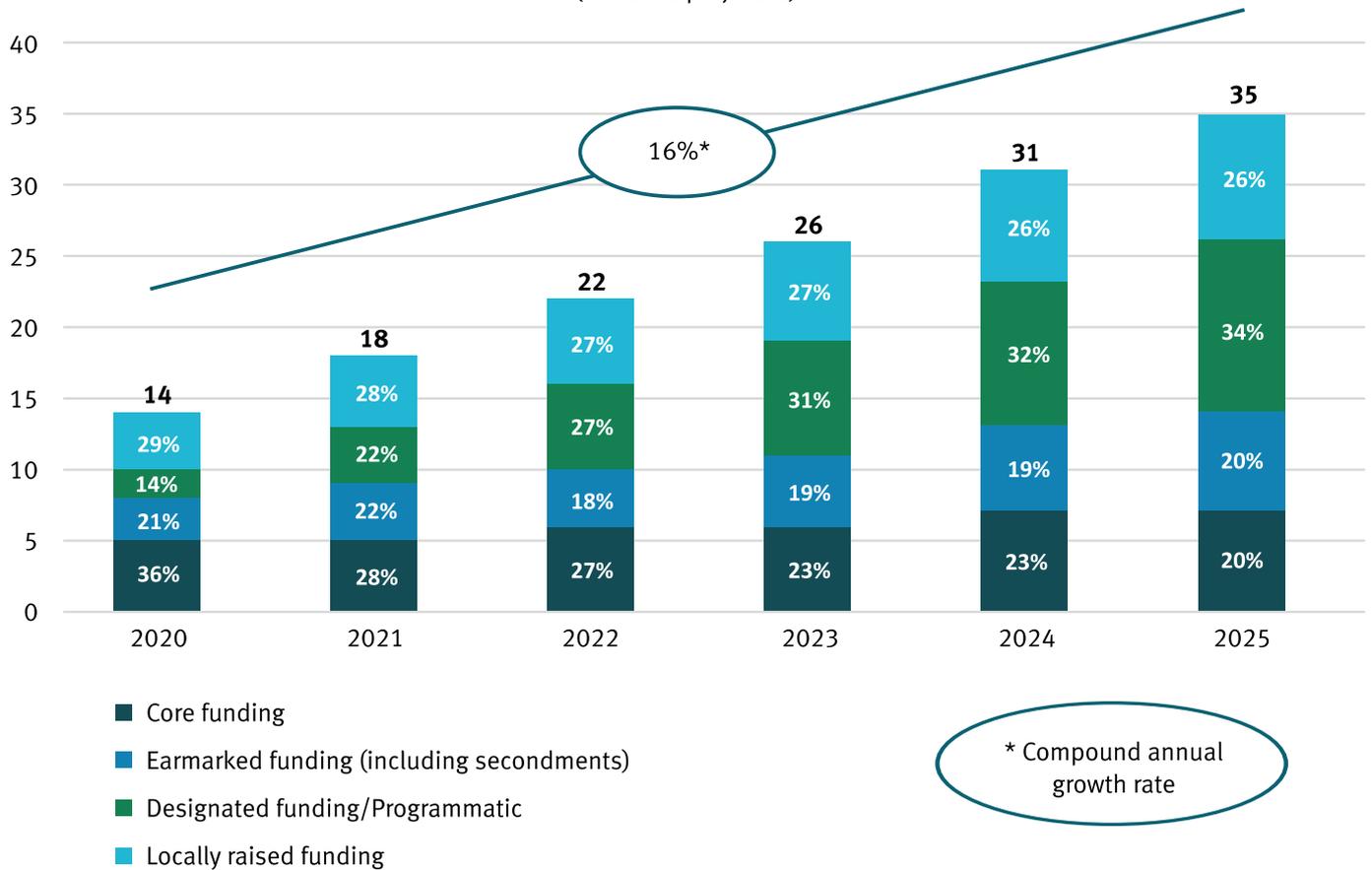


## VALUES THAT GUIDE OUR WORK

- Inclusiveness
- Openness
- Transparency
- Accountability
- Respect
- Gender sensitivity
- Solidarity

# RESOURCES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE GWP STRATEGY 2020–2025 TARGETS

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