

Water Quality and Monitoring

Briefing to the Committee on Permanent Representatives

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The world's water quality crisis

Key Messages:

- Human activity and population growth put tremendous pressure on the world's freshwater resources.
- There has been a 30% decline in biodiversity health since 1970. Degradation of biodiversity of freshwater ecosystems has particularly dire consequences for fish: more than 40% of freshwater fish species in the United States and Europe were in imminent danger of extinction (Millennium Ecosystem Assessment 2005).
- Pollution through pathogens, organic matter, chemicals and salinity are of particular concern – up to 1/3 of all rivers could be affected.
- Pollution threatens human health and ecosystem services.



Water quality and UN Environment's mandate

- Addressing water quality and pollution form a key part of UN Environment's mandate.
- IWQGES mandated by GC Decision 27/3 in February 2013.
- GEMS / Water was strengthened through UNEA Resolution 1/9.



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Water quality in the SDG context

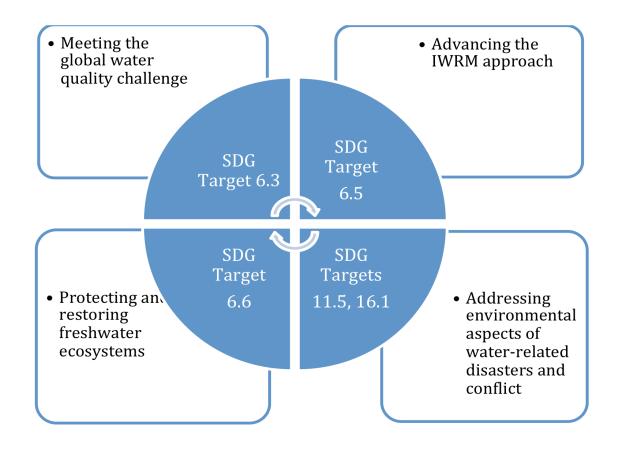
- The 2030 Agenda adds an important new mandate and opportunity for UN E
- Under UN-Water, UN
 Environment is engaged in integrated monitoring and reporting for SDG 6:
 www.sdg6monitoring.org
- UN Environment has global custodianship of data collection for indicators in SDG targets 6.3, 6.5 and 6.6 – all connect to water quality.







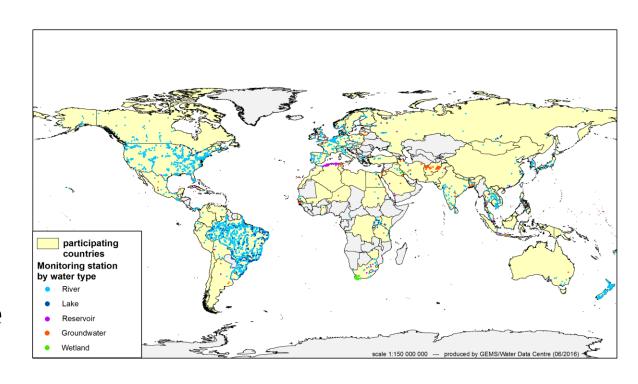
UN Environment Strategic Priorities for Freshwater, 2017 - 2021



About Global Environment Monitoring System GEMS / Water – a global network

A global network with different partners engaged in:

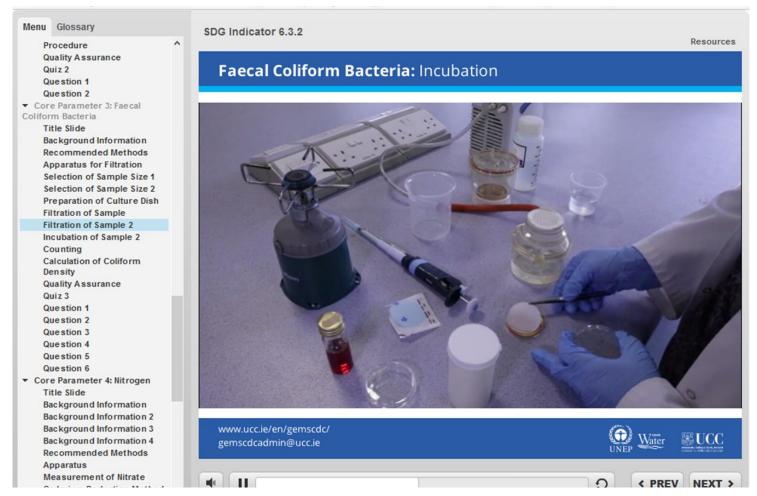
- Capacity development
- GEMStat water quality database
- Water quality monitoring







About GEMS / Water – Capacity development





About GEMS / Water – Water quality monitoring

- Training and support for ambient water quality monitoring network development and implementation
- Help and advice in selecting target values
- Data handling



6.3: Proportion of **bodies of water** with **good**

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