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List of acronyms

BMR	BIENNIAL MONITORING REPORT
EC	European Commission
GDP	Gross domestic product
JPI	Joint Programming Initiative
KPIs	Key Performance Indicators
UN SDGs	United Nations Sustainable Development Goals
PSIP	Partnership Specific Impact Pathway
R&I	Research and Innovation
SMEs	Small and medium enterprises
TBD	To Be Defined
Water4All	European Partnership on Water Security for the Planet

Introduction

This report presents the information given in the common and harmonized format of the “Partnership fiche” required by the European Commission (EC) in preparation of the biennial monitoring report (BMR). A first Partnership fiche for Water4All was provided to the EC in preparation of the 1st BMR published in May 2022. An updated version will be provided to the commission in 2023 in preparation of the next BMR to be published in spring 2024.

The Partnership fiche is composed of three parts. Part 1 “Partnership Profile” recalls the main macro data of the partnership, a short abstract of its main objective, and depicts the intervention logic of Water4All (PSIP - Partnership Specific Impact Pathway). Part 2 “Table of KPIs” presents the Key Performance Indicators associated to the objectives of the PSIP as well as baselines and targets. Part 3 “Synergies with other European and national initiatives” is an overview of the progress of the partnership through three synergy stories on Water4All.

PARTNERSHIP FICHE

PAGE 1: Partnership Profile

Name of the Partnership (+ logo): Water4All – Water Security for the Planet



Type of Partnership: Co-funded

Cluster: 6 - Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

Pillar: II - Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness

Key facts and figures:

- Total budget = EU contribution + commitments by the partners other than EU: 420 M€ (from the MS consultation by the EC in Summer-Autumn 2020)
- Is it a successor or a new partnership? Water4All follows up and expands the action of the Water Joint Programming Initiative.

Mission and vision statement of the partnership (max. 100 words):

Water4All aims at boosting the systemic transformations and changes across the entire research – water innovation pipeline, fostering the matchmaking between problem owners and solution providers for ensuring water security for all in the long term.

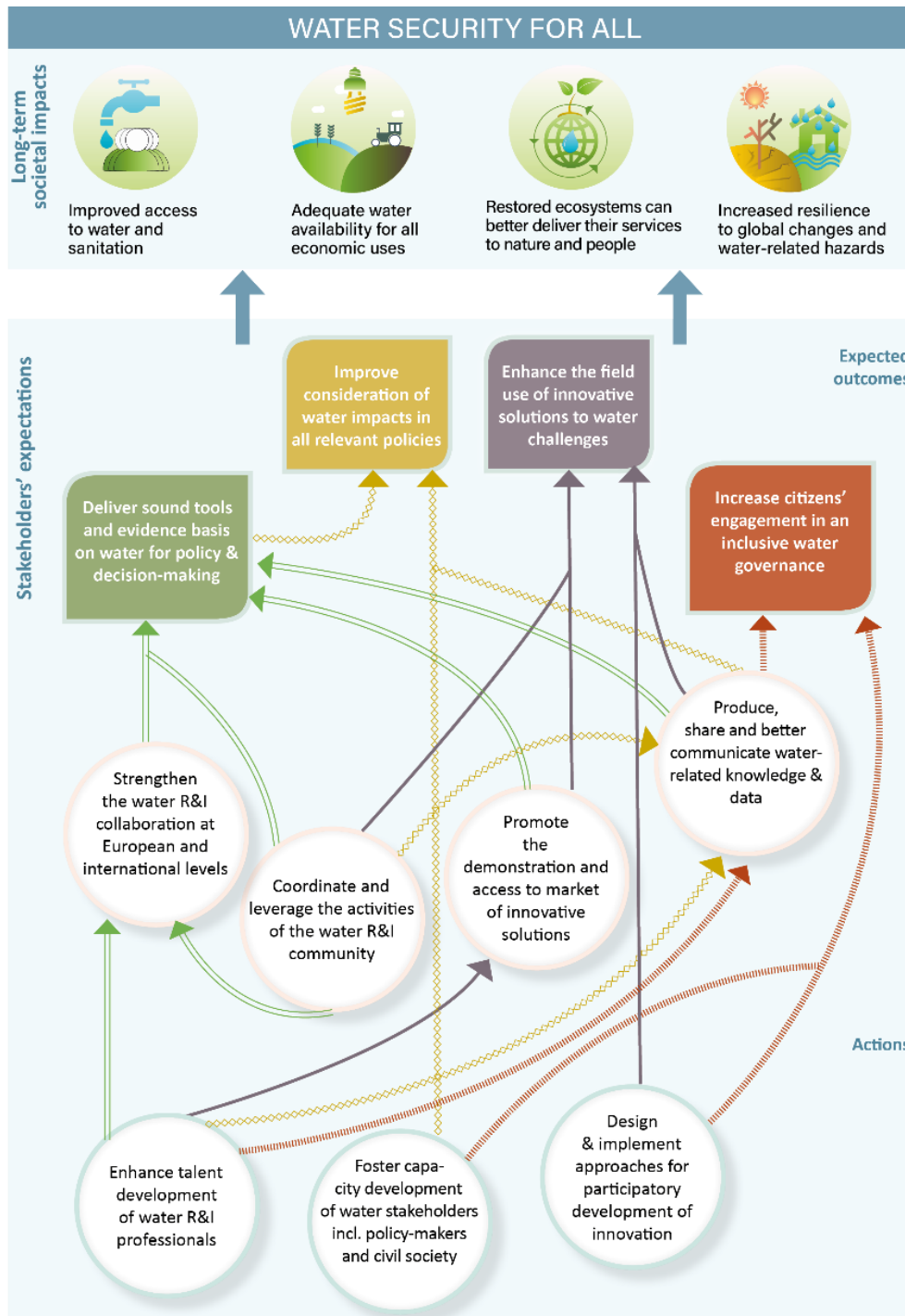
The Water4All consortium gathers research funders, innovation funders, authorities in charge of the environment, networks representing the water economic sector, and research operators. Water4All runs and promotes a holistic approach to freshwater Research and Innovation (R&I), connecting the actors from research to decision-making and field implementation, including citizens. We are striving for a more integrated and informed address of water challenges, and an increased uptake of innovative solutions.

Main UN Sustainability Development Goals (UN SDGs) supported (<https://sdgs.un.org/goals>):

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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*Place an X where appropriate. Choose max. 5 (if more, please select the most important ones).

Partnership Specific Impact Pathways (PSIPs) through a strategy map:



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PAGE 2: Table of KPIs

KPI Name	Unit of measurement	Baseline	Target 2023	Target 2025	Target 2027	Ambition >2027
Resources (input), processes and activities						
Partnership composition	# participants (per type and country)	20	74 organisations 28 countries	TBD	TBD	-
Newcomers	# in supported projects	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Joint calls	# (cumulated)	7 calls in 10 years	2	4	6	-
Coordinated activities	# of European Partnerships	4	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Innovative solutions presented	# in central web portal	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	-
Social media outreach	# of followers	TBD based on Water4All social media	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Researchers upskilled	#	N/A	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Individuals benefiting from capacity & knowledge building	#	N/A	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Citizen / end-users contribution to R&I	% of funded projects	N/A	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Outcomes						
Water data delivery in a transnational platform	# countries participating	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	-
Contributions to public policy & strategic documents	Qualitative (success stories)	N/A	N/A	TBD	TBD	TBD
Integration of water challenges in policies & regulations	Qualitative study (sector-based survey)	N/A	TBD	N/A	TBD	TBD
Uptake of research-produced tools by SMEs	# of pre-commercial prototypes	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD	-
Demonstrated inclusive water governance	# of case studies	N/A	TBD	TBD	TBD	-
Impacts						
Population access to drinking water	% (EU)	94%	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD

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Population access to sanitation	% (EU)	73%	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD
Level of water stress	% (withdrawal vs resources)	8,51%	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD
Permanent water area	Km ² (lakes and rivers)	520 881	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD
Economic loss from water-related hazards	% of GDP	0.25%	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD

- Formal endorsement of the targets by the Governing Board should happen in the first semester of 2023 for the preparation of the next BMR (2024). Most targets are therefore marked To Be Defined “TBD”.
- Many baselines are marked “N/A” because the related data was not monitored so far, or because the partnership precisely creates new activities to fill a gap.
- The list of indicators may evolve if the successive reviews reveal some irrelevance, or if additional, more relevant indicators are discovered.
- The progress against these indicators will be regularly discussed with the members of the consortium and with its Advisory Boards, and reported to the EC.
- The first research projects funded through the calls will start in 2023. The transfer and uptake of results can hardly start before 2025: several indicators only make sense beyond 2025. We mark “N/A” where we don’t think credible to have a meaningful value; some “TBD” may also eventually be turned into “N/A” for this reason. Indicators for the outcomes and, most of all, impacts, also make sense in the medium-term and will mostly be used for the later years of monitoring.

PAGE 3: Synergies with other European and national initiatives

1. Synergies story 1: joint activities

Water4All started identifying potential joint actions with other Horizon Europe instruments, including the implementation of Knowledge Hubs with other partnerships (e.g., Biodiversa+) and missions (e.g., [Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030](#)). Further initiatives including prospective workshops or common living labs will be taken as discussions continue with other undergoing instruments. A particular attention will be paid on the coordination between the joint calls' topics. These joint activities are essential in order to enhance the societal impact and avoid the duplication of efforts in common thematic areas.

2. Synergies story 2: cooperation with non-EU countries

International cooperation is a priority for Water4All, in line with the objective of openness of the EC for the partnerships. Strategic cooperation with other initiatives and countries such as countries from the Danube River Basin could serve Water4All in the development of strategic agendas or the identification of joint actions. Water4All's international activities will build on the main lessons and practices described in the international cooperation strategy of the Joint Programming Initiative (JPI) on water challenges, Water JPI.

3. Synergies story 3: alignment

Water4All alignment's strategy builds upon key lessons and practices from the Task Force on Alignment of the Water JPI. A common Water4All Strategic research and innovation agenda has been endorsed, setting a strategic framework for Water4All and a long-term vision for the Consortium in terms of agreed activities. Alignment activities will also include the launch of joint processes of research practices and project management as well as the identification of collaboration barriers. The set-up of national mirror groups in some member countries, already contributing to the better alignment of national strategies as part of the Water JPI, will also be an instrument of alignment for Water4All.



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