

# The need for gender-disaggregated indicators to track equitable access to water and sanitation

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# Women for Water Partnership

- WfWP is a partnership of 27 women's organizations and networks in around 100 predominantly low and middle-income countries.
- WfWP supports the World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP) of UNESCO.
- WfWP provided the input gathered from the experience of our members to help assemble a toolkit, consisting of indicators that are linked to the SDG's.



# Importance of disaggregated data


- Without sex-disaggregated data, we don't know the situation between women and men
- Without these data, we cannot measure progress towards SDGs....
- Without these data, no informed policy can be formulated...
- Without these data, equality between women and men cannot be achieved..



## Examples of proposed indicators (intra-household survey)

- ▶ Percentage of households without water on premises, by sex of main person responsible for collecting drinking water and by type of household (using rural/urban samples).
- ▶ Unpaid time spent by individual household members in supplying water, making it safe for use, and managing it (M/F informants).





## Examples of proposed indicators (intra-household survey)

- M/F perceptions of the adequacy of current water supply/ availability in both quality and quantity in the household
- Percentages reported health-incidents/ impacts disaggregated by sex
- Percentages of M/F in charge of waste and waste-water management

# WfWP initiatives

- WfWP with UNSGAB is lobbying to have 2018 declared as UN International Year of Water and Women.
- WfWP hopes to cooperate with UN Water's/WHO GLAAS and WHO/UNICEF JMP to realize a worldwide monitoring system, based on sex-disaggregated data...





# WfWP initiatives

The worldwide attention contributes to the Global Programme Water Initiatives (GPWI) in multiple ways:

- *The year will guarantee that water security remains high on the global agenda.*
- *The year will give global attention to the fact that access itself is not enough, it shall be tailored to women's needs.*
- *Inclusion of sex disaggregated data will drive water governance and equitable access.*





Thank you!

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