

9th World Water Forum

Actions submission format

On 15th of July Action Groups (AGs) will submit their action proposals to Pilot Groups (PGs) for feedbacks and observations, before opening the consultation process.

AGs will group their projects into 3/4 sub-themes or categories called Actions. As such, all projects will contribute to a main objective and ultimately to the title of the action group. This will also allow broader participation and involvement from stakeholders, especially from the consultative groups.

Adopted semantic:

- Action = synthesis of the types of interventions and projects that contribute to achieving the objective of the action group. As such, an action can be understood as a sub-theme or a category of projects. It should target a wide range of stakeholders, have potential for innovation, replicability and sustainability. It should lend itself to one or more of the following activities: (a) awareness-raising; (b) capacity development; (c) dialogues; (d) sharing of good practices; (e) partnerships for action; (f) infrastructure/service development, etc.

The Pilot Groups will revise the proposal in a week's time and will send their feedback to the coordinators. The evaluation by Pilot Groups will include the following aspects:

- Alignment of the Actions with the SDGs
- Coherency between projects under a same action and with the Action
- Overlapping with other Actions and duplication of projects
- Stakeholders representativeness and involved actors
- Regional representativeness
- Replicability of projects

At the end of July, the consultation process with Consultative Groups (CGs) should be launched and should remain open until the first weeks of September 2020.

During the Consultation Process, AGs will present their Actions to CGs, who will be able to:

- Make observations,
- Request to collaborate in a particular project,
- Propose innovative ideas and additional projects.

Before the conclusion of the consultation process and finalization of the three Actions, a series of webinars will be organized for each Priority.

Under the chairmanship of the Co-Chairs, the webinars will be facilitated by the Action Group Coordinators. The purpose of those meetings will be to share the results of the reflections already carried out and to gather the opinions and suggestions of other actors from around the world.

Indeed, in addition to the members of the working groups, the webinars will be open to all interested stakeholders, to gather expectations, suggestions and contributions from as many people as possible with the aim of enriching the Forum content ensuring broad participation and inclusion.

AGs will then consider the CGs propositions and will select the contributions they deem adapted.

Please note that during sessions you will be able to present the progress of your Actions (one category per session) justified by the achievements reached by single projects.

AGs will subsequently finalize their proposals and submit them to PGs for final validation, including a draft proposal of sessions.

PGs will assess and review the final set of proposals and eventually make suggestions to avoid major redundancies and gaps and to check if the guidelines are met.

The finalized set of proposals will be shared with the ISC, which will check potential overlapping and coherence between Priorities and make the final approval.

AGs should submit their proposals by using the following template, listing the Actions and the related projects in order of priority and level of impact:

GROUP 2E : Engage and Empower rural communities to be the drivers of social-economic development through water (8.2, 5.4, 5.A, 1.4, 2.A)

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ACTION 1: AGROECOLOGY IN ACTION TO MAKE PRODUCTIVE WATERS FOR FARMERS									
Overall Objective: Empower smallholder farmers through agroecological techniques to make sustainable and equitable the access to productive water									
Overall purpose and expected results: Provide the tools to make saving water a wealth-producing resource; Campaign for a local circular economy; Giving small farmers in rural areas new economic power through better use of water and soil resources.									
Overall SDGs Alignment: All the SDGs are concerned by this transversal action as listed below. The achievement of all the goals will contribute de facto to SDGs16 AND 17, "peace, justice, and effective institutions" and "partnership for the achievement of the goals".									
Coherence with other Priorities: This action cuts across all 4 priorities (water and sanitation security, cooperation, water for rural development, tools and resources).									
PROJECTS INCLUDED <i>In order of priority and level of impact</i>	OBJECTIVE	DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE	EXPECTED RESULTS	SDGs ALIGNMENT	IMPLEMENTATION	PARTICIPANTS AND STAKEHOLDERS REPRESENTATIVENESS	REPLICABILITY IN OTHER CONTEXTS	REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVENESS	POTENTIAL OVERLAPPING OR COHERENCE WITH OTHER AGs
Project 1 – Agroecology to save water and soil for poor farmers	Disseminate better agroecological techniques as technical means of saving profitable water and profitable soils for agricultural production.	In rural areas, access to water is often difficult. Also improving the productivity of water is a major challenge. Agroecological techniques make it possible to rationalize the use of water for green production, using plant associations and / or agroforestry to use soil ecosystem services (soil moisture, soil living...).	Reduce the water bill for rural populations. Improve water productivity. Enrich rural populations, improve their living conditions. Give power back to small farmers for market gardening production for urbanites.	SDGs : 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15	1. Conference / debate at town hall level 2. Action to raise awareness of neighborhoods, village associations 3. Training / demonstration 4. Support agricultural associations to build clean and economically profitable market gardens 5. Mobilize a clean production chain guaranteeing the use of clean and productive water.	Numerous NGOs including ENDA, GRET, Le Partenariat, The universities Agricultural research institutions International programs Civil associations	Regional replicability across Africa.	Sharing experience with the continents of South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe.	
ACTION 2: NEW PARADIGMS TO MAKE PRODUCTIVE WATERS FOR FARMERS									
Overall Objective: Empower smallholder farmers through new water use paradigm to make sustainable and equitable the access to productive water									
Overall purpose and expected results: Provide the tools to make saving water a wealth-producing resource; Provide reasoned access to rainwater and wastewater which represent a major innovative economic asset to empower small agriculture; Ensure universal access to water and sanitation through safe and efficient agricultural use; Reduce water and soil pollution, unsanitary neighborhoods; Campaign for a local circular economy; Giving small farmers in rural areas new economic power through better use of water resources.									
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Project 1 – Wastewaters, a power for poor farmers	Recovery of domestic wastewater for green vegetable production as an economic and ecological gain for the poorest farmers.	Domestic wastewater provides water and fertilizer, possible under certain conditions; Unmanaged, they are a major risk of public health and environmental destruction.	Fight against insanitary neighborhoods, Fight against poverty, against the exclusion of women, Virtuous integration of small-scale agriculture into economic life. Use schools as a place of application, demonstration, education, dissemination (ADED).	SDGs : 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15	1. Conference / debate at town hall level 2. Neighborhood awareness action, schoolchildren 3. Training / demonstration in the villages 4. Build stand-alone planted filters in schools.	Numerous NGOs including ENDA, GRET, Le Partenariat, The universities Agricultural research institutions International programs Civil associations	Regional replicability across Africa.	Sharing experience with the continents of South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe.	

Project 2 – Water productivity of rainwaters	Master and manage rainwater for smart and efficient agriculture in rural peri-urban areas. Enhance storm water. Reduce community costs and societal risks linked to non-management of rainwater.	One of the major challenges is the need to know, control and manage the availability of rainwater. These often represent a major risk for infrastructure and the lives of populations. However, this volume of water can be useful for the constitution of water reserve, use for agricultural production, and directly as a supply of healthy water for the poorest populations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Security of rainwater for economic, social and environmental gain; - Valorisation of rainwater for market gardening with an economic vocation; - Added value linked to saving water; - Protection of the water table vis-à-vis pollution. - Contribution to food security (production of market garden products with quality water) 	SDGs : 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awareness-raising and information campaign on the interest of rainwater among stakeholders (town halls, citizen movements); 2. Advocacy on the economic value of rainwater in ministerial bodies, international organizations; 3. Highlighting the role of the separation of rainwater collection in the rural agricultural economy. 	Numerous NGOs including ENDA, GRET, Le Partenariat, The universities Agricultural research institutions International programs Civil associations	Regional replicability across Africa.	Sharing experience with the continents of South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe.	
<p>ACTION 3: INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES AND PRODUCTIVE WATERS TO EMPOWER RURAL COMMUNITIES</p> <p>Overall Objective: Empower smallholder farmers through sustainable and equitable access to productive water due to innovative technologies</p> <p>Overall purpose and expected results: Secure family farms in peri-urban rural areas and coastal rural areas through sustainable and equitable access to productive water; Ensure universal access to water and sanitation through safe and efficient agricultural use; Campaign for a local circular economy; Giving small farmers in rural areas new economic power through better use of water resources.</p> <p>Overall SDGs Alignment: All the SDGs are concerned by this transversal action as listed below. The achievement of all the goals will contribute de facto to SDGs16 AND 17, "peace, justice, and effective institutions" and "partnership for the achievement of the goals".</p> <p>Coherence with other Priorities: This action cuts across all 4 priorities (water and sanitation security, cooperation, water for rural development, tools and resources).</p>									
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Project 1 – Irrigation for market gardening	To document the challenges facing rural producers in terms of access and control of irrigation water for the maintenance and sustainability of agricultural activities for market gardening	Peri-urban agriculture ensures that cities are supplied with fresh market garden produce. However, despite its importance, it is endangered due to lack of control over productive water. Many market gardeners abandon their fields in favor of real estate developers and agribusinesses with large means. The lack of a real policy for productive water is singled out.	Independent action research makes it possible to identify and share the constraints linked to the control of productive water by market gardeners in rural peri-urban areas; Strong consensus on the need to take charge of the identified constraints has been reached by the actors of the sector; Ways to solve the problems are identified and the levels of responsibilities of the actors are located.	SDGs : 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conduct of a study on the constraints linked to the control of productive water by market gardeners in peri-urban areas 2. Conference debate on the results of the study 3. Organization of market gardeners for their empowerment in terms of controlling productive water 4. Building alliances for the adoption of a productive water policy 	NGOs, civil society actors, local authorities, market gardeners, state services in charge of water management	Replicability everywhere in Africa in terms of good practice for building a social force in favor of the sustainability of peri-urban agriculture (CICODEV Africa Network).	Sharing experience with the continents of South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe.	

Project 2 - Productive waters for coastal zones	<p>Understand the risk at the local level, the vulnerability of coastal populations but also their ability to set up initiatives to better manage water in these specific environments where water availability is low. The objective is to develop paradigms for both: protecting water, recovering water, making water profitable.</p>	<p>In areas with low water availability (such as coastal areas), the mismatch observed between water supply and demand often leads to inter-community conflicts. It is in this context that several actors come into play and intervene in the management and access to water: the state, communities (local, associations, NGOs) and the populations. Despite the multiplicity of actors, there is a failure in the development of collective policies and individual strategies relating to water.</p>	<p>Water management is a collective act which requires the participation of all actors at national and local level. The development of strategies for access and management of water resources based on local knowledge coupled with exogenous practices allows good governance of water resources.</p>	<p>SDGs : 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concerted management of water supply from the traditional exploitation of surface aquifer through a network of community wells. 2. Training and implementation of rainwater harvesting techniques (cisterns, impluviums, roofs). 3. Installation of boreholes, standpipes, special connections. 	<p>For the populations of the islands of Saloum, more particularly those of Dionewar, Niodior, Falia and Bassoul: Involvement of the de-concentrated authority (Office des Forages Ruraux, OFOR) in association with the communities and through the private initiatives of some NGOs: Micro-FEM and by Caritas, allow populations to have the capacity to water from 10 to 16m3 to be stored for about 3 months.</p>	<p>Regional replicability in some villages on the Senegalese coast. Sharing of experiences of the Association TOURNESOL with organizations from other continents (South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe) working in this sector.</p>	<p>Sharing experience with the continents of South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe.</p>	
Project 3 – Nexus Solar Energy / Water / Agriculture	<p>Scale-up of PAYGO smart solar pumping prototypes by developing endogenous financing models and innovative partnerships (small farmers-Private-CSOs) with a view to substitute access for diesel pumps.</p>	<p>The cost of energy for controlling water is a major issue for farms in urban areas. The introduction of sustainable energy to replace the use of diesel for water control is beneficial both to small rural farmers who see their resilience strengthened and to the Climate under the opportunities of reducing gas to greenhouse effect (GHG).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - optimization of Water-Energy-Agriculture economic models -Master the basics for a change of scales - Reinforced entrepreneurial spirit - Development of an autonomous gardening market - Promotion of social protection and gender agenda 	<p>SDGs : 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Documentation of economic models. 2. Management and distribution of models. 3. Development of Nexus program portfolios. 4. Development of innovative endogenous financing mechanism. 	<p>Numerous NGOs including ENDA, GRET, Le Partenariat, The universities Agricultural research institutions International programs Civil associations</p>	<p>Replicability in Africa through the Climate and Development Network (RCD) and in Asia, Latin America through the ENDA-TM network.</p>	<p>Sharing experience with the continents of South America, Asia, Oceania and Europe.</p>	