The path to implementing the Human Right to Water and Sanitation in Latin America and the Caribbean

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Bolivia, Ecuador and Uruguay explicitly recognizes HRWS in their constitutions. Many other countries are working towards its implementation: Chile, Mexico, Nicaragua.
Objectives of the Bank’s work:

- Clarify the significance and implications of the approach – demystify
- Clarify the roles and responsibilities of each sector entity for its implementation
- Show experiences and good practices in LAC

Workplan: 2 manuals + pilot initiatives
- Introduction to HRWS
- Directed to sector entities, utilities, regulators
- Only ~20 pages
- Grupo de Amigos: SDC, AECID, IWA, ONGAWA
HRWS APPROACH – CRITERIA

- Accessibility
- Affordability
- Availability
- Quality
- Acceptability
- Accountability
- Participation
- Sustainability
- Equality and Non Discrimination
- Access to Information and Transparency
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GOOD PRACTICES – SECOND MANUAL

- Presents practices that contribute to the realization of the HRWS
- Directed to sector entities, utilities, regulators
- Practices in rural + urban areas
- Inspiration and database for pilots
GOOD PRACTICES – SECOND MANUAL

- Normative
- Institutional development
- Financing mechanisms
- Implementation of programs and services
- Management
- Capacity development
- Monitoring systems
ACCESIBILITY

Short distances; accessible for all;

- PARAGUAY
- Unidad Sanitaria Basica Evolutiva
AVAILABILITY

Enough systems in all places, including public spaces; no queues; wastewater treatment;

- HAITI
- DINEPA
- 4 Departments mapped
- Mapping of all water points including public ones
- Households surveys to assess hygiene practices, and sanitation solutions
- Mapping of emptying services for on site solutions
QUALITY

Safely managed standard; handwashing; MHM

- BOLIVIA
- MHM by Unicef
- Diario Agenda
- Family Guide
- Folder for authorities
AFFORDABILITY

Tariff systems; capital costs; intra-domiciliary solutions; allocation of responsibilities for sanitation; subsidies

- PERU
- PERI-URBAN OF LIMA
- AGUALIMPIA CREDIAGUA

- 57,700,000 USD granted
- 38,711 Families accessed to micro loans
- 1,653 Trained microfinance employees
- 331 Promotional campaigns For microcredits
- Less than 1% of arrears rate
- 1,458 Persons trained in plumbing
ACCEPTABILITY

Dignity and privacy; adapted to the social context; indigenous communities; informal areas
Finalize mapping of urban practices:

- Subsidies in Colombia and Chile
- Transparency in Ecuador
- Initiatives in informal areas such as in Uruguay
- Sello Calidad del Agua in Costa Rica

Pilot initiatives during 2018 and 2019
THANK YOU