

### 1. What is the WssTP?

- The Water supply and sanitation Technology Platform
- Initiated by the European Commission in 2004, to promote coordination of and collaboration in Research and Technology Development in the water industry
- Through its Strategic Research Agenda, it provides strategic answers for the water sector's future research challenges



### 2. Members



- 68 members
- 700 contributors

These come from across:

- Industry
- Academia
- Research
- Policy Makers
- Water Utilities

### 4 Water Cycle Pilot areas:

- Coastal Zones
- Urban Areas
- Water for Agriculture
- Water for Industry

Task Forces on key cross-cutting issues including policy-related topics:

- Millennium Development Goals
- WFD Implementation
- Water Reuse

Produce regular reports on current research & innovation needs to inform funding policies

### 3. Science



### 5. Collaboration

Amongst others, WssTP works with:

- European Innovation Partnership candidate for water
- Joint Programming Initiative on water
- Other European Technology Platforms
- The SPIRE project
- ACQUEAU (the EUREKA Cluster for Water)



### 4. Policy

Policy informed by good science

Key lines of communication:

DG Research & Innovation

- HORIZON 2020

DG Environment

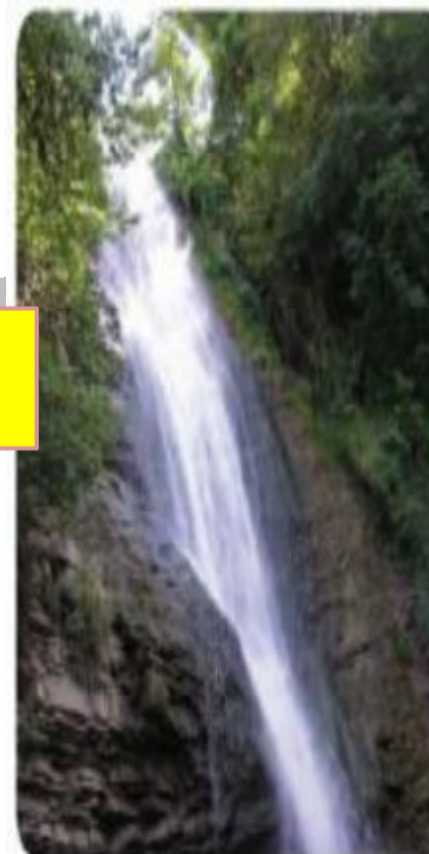
- FP7 2013

Environment Theme

- EIP on Water

DG Regio

- new Cohesion Policy



### 6. The Outcomes



WssTP intends the outcomes of its member contribution, its scientific research, its policy approach, and its collaborative work to provide:

- Reduced water scarcity
- The delivery of cleaner waters in a sustainable manner
- Economic and market growth in Europe
- The development of innovative solutions both in the water sector and surrounding its integration with other platforms, industries and sectors.