

Collective Action for a Water Resilient World

Overview



WHO WE ARE



WHAT WE DO



YOUR ROLE



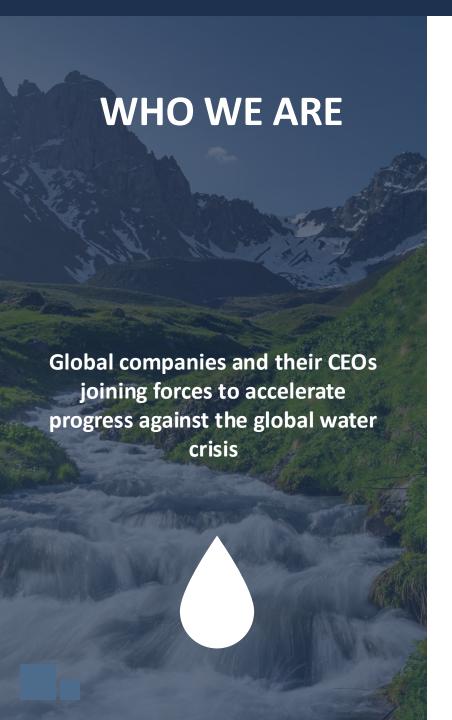
NEXT STEPS





WHO WE ARE





Our Origin



- Identify and accelerate investments in solutions to the water-climate crisis
- Collective action to build water security and resilience at scale in stressed regions
- Aligned quantifiable and timebound enterprise-level water commitments

2010s

Several leading CEOs saw the scale of water action did not meet the scale of the water crisis

2020

7 companies partner to found the WRC, growing 4x in 2 years

2030

Commitments half fulfilled

20

2050 All commitments fulfilled



WHO WE ARE A CEO-driven coalition ensuring a purposeful mission and sharply defined priorities

CEO-Driven Coalition



"We recognize that the permanent availability of safe water resources is essential to human well-being and eco-system heath, as well as future economic growth. We must all increase the level of our ambition to create water security by investing jointly in the critical watershed."

James Quincey, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, The Coca-Cola Company.

"We all need to pay more attention to water. It is a precious, but undervalued, resource. We hope that companies from all sectors will join the Water Resilience Coalition and sign the pledge. It is important to increase water security so that people, nature and economies can continue to thrive."



Dolf Van Den Brink, Chief Executive Officer, Heineken



OUR CEO LEADERSHIP

The CEO Circle meets twice per year to discuss the most strategic WRC plans, actions and next steps



WRC CO-CHAIRS



Sanda Ojiambo UNGC, Assistant Secretary-General & CEO



Christophe Beck Ecolab, CEO



Brian Sikes Cargill, CEO



Debra Crew Diageo, CEO



Laxman Narasimhan Starbucks, CEO



Michel Doukeris ABInBev, CEO



Mike Roman 3M, CEO





WHO WE ARE Accelerating and scaling collective action to drive change in water-stressed basins

Collective Actions



No amount of operational efficiency can address severe water stress. System-level shocks remain a threat to business.



Truly mitigating water risk at the site level ultimately necessitates building resilience at the basin level.



Scaling positive impact to the basin level requires collective action and shared vision.





37+ companies 18 partners

\$5 trillion + market cap

All sectors, geographies **Committed to a** higher ambition

































Gap Inc. GSK HCLTech HEINEKEN



























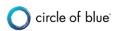










































COLLECTIVE **AMBITION** Time-bound goals and clear measures, aligned with SDG ambitions, with periodic evaluation

2030 & 2050 Ambitions

positive water impact in over 100 water stressed basins that support over 3 billion people.

enable equitable and resilient water access and sanitation for at least 300 millionpeople.

3 Billion Beneficiaries

300 Million with WASH

2050

2030

we will achieve **Net Positive Water Impact** in 150 water
stressed basins worldwide.

150 Basins





The WRC has four key strategies for achieving our 2030 collective ambition



Our 2030 Roadmap





SCALING UP PROVEN SOLUTIONS VIA BEST-IN-CLASS **TECHNOLOGIES & COLLECTIVE ACTIONS**





MULTIPLYING OUR IMPACT BY BRINGING THE UNIQUE **EXPERTISE OF OUR MEMBERS TO WATER**





LEVERAGING OUR INVESTMENTS IN WATER THROUGH THE WRC INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO





MEASURING OUR IMPACT AND ADVANCING INDUSTRY STANDARDS WITH DATA



WRC'S 2030 ROADMAP FOR COLLECTIVE ACTION IN 100 BASINS

4 KEY STRATEGIES



S1: Scaling Proven Solutions in Basins via Collective Action



S2: Multiplying Impact via Business Expertise and Innovation



S3: Leveraging Innovative Finance and Collective Investments



S4: Influencing via Collective Measurement & Advocacy

2030 AMBITION

- Recruit 150 target
 companies with
 potential to influence
 1/3 of the world water
 withdrawals
- Positive water impact in 100 basins that support 3 billion people
- Enable safe water access and sanitation (WASH) for 300 million people





WATER ACCESS AND SANITATION (WASH) INITIATIVES

How to achieve 300 million people in a climate crisis world

- 1. WRC Investment Portfolio
- 2. Multiplying impact of WRC members' individual WASH initiatives
- 3. Leveraging Financial Institutions' funding with matching programs
- 4. WASH4WORK







WRC INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO - \$1.7 BILLION in 2024

INVESTMENT THEMES

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES & COMMITMENTS

IMPACT

FUNDS

WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE ACCESS (Global)

\$470 Million

Est. 6-12% IRR

50M PEOPLE





WASTEWATER REUSE & INFRASTRUCTURE (Global)

\$250 Million

Est. 15-20% IRR

To be confirmed





NATURE BASED SOLUTIONS (California)

\$1 Billion

Est. 16-19% IRR

13M M3 RECHARGE/YR









2024: WRC INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO & 100 Priority Basins

\$1.7 Billion in Investment Opportunities aligned with Priority Basins

FUND

INVESTMENT S

GEOGRAPHIES



\$70 Million

Africa, Asia, and Latin America



\$50 Million

South Africa

\$250 Million

Kenya & Indonesia



\$150 Million

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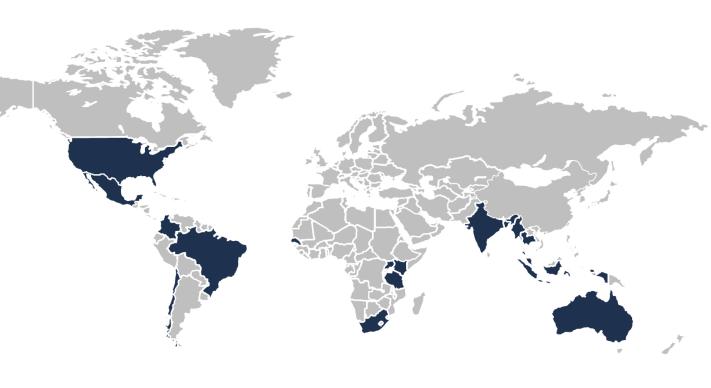
Global

\$200 Million



\$1 Billion

California, Chile, and Australia







The WRC has pioneered the NPWI concept as an impact-oriented goal



Net Positive Water Impact









Reducing water stress in three dimensions: availability (quantity), quality, and access.



Company contributions exceed impacts on water stress in the same region.

Quantifiable and measured via both short-term outputs and long-term outcomes.



NPWI and collective action are key to the water strategies of WRC member companies



NPWI as Water Strategy



"We are running a water reduction programme on site [in Cape Town], while also working with the WRC and partners on community projects to move towards Net Positive Water Impact in this basin as part of our corporate water strategy."

Claire Lund, VP Sustainability, GSK

"Positive water impact at water-stressed areas is the ambition we have in place to work towards healthy watersheds. Each watershed is unique and we have learnt that collective action is key to reduce shared risks."

Prithi Sharma, Water Stewardship Lead, Corporate Affairs, HEINEKEN



NPWI is a cornerstone concept for accelerating progress on SDG6



SDG 6 Alignment





TARGET 6.4

NCREASE WATER-USE EFFICIENCY AND ENSURE FRESHWATER SUPPLIES





TARGET 6.3

IMPROVE WATER
QUALITY, WASTEWATER
TREATMENT AND SAFE
REUSE



Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all





TARGET 6-1

SAFE AND AFFORDABLE DRINKING WATER



TARGET

END OPEN DEFECATION AND PROVIDE ACCESS TO SANITATION AND HYGIENE

6.2



WHAT WE DO **Realizing NPWI is** contextual to each basin based on local water conditions

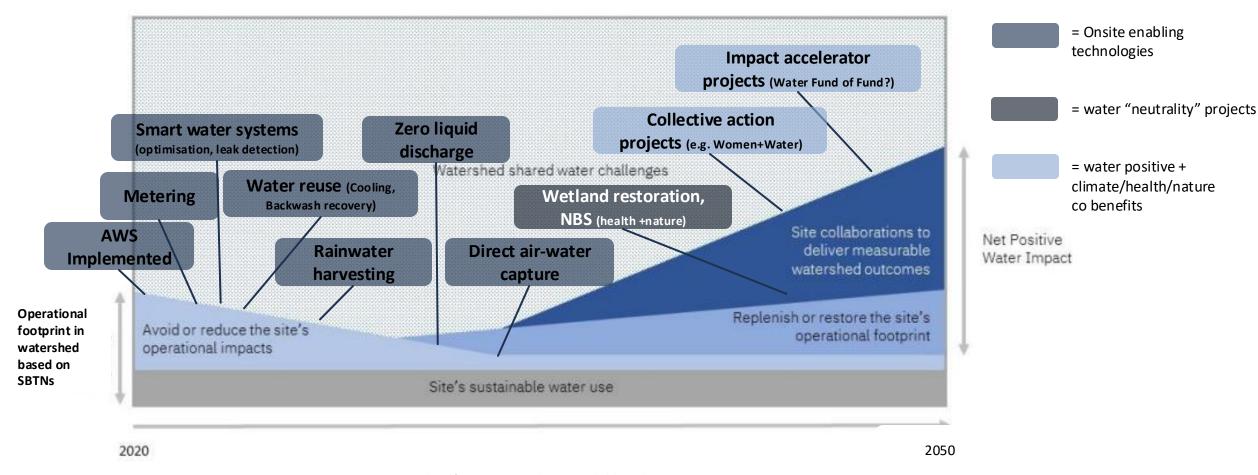
Achieving NPWI in Practice

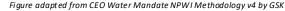
NPWI dimensions in three sample basins		Achieving SDG 6		
		Accessibility	Quality	Availability
Water- Stressed Basins		~	~	~
		N/A	~	~
		~	~	N/A
Non-Stressed Basin(s)		N/A	N/A	N/A



ADDRESSING SHARED WATER CHALLENGES

Focus is on changing basin outcome and going beyond compensating company footprint



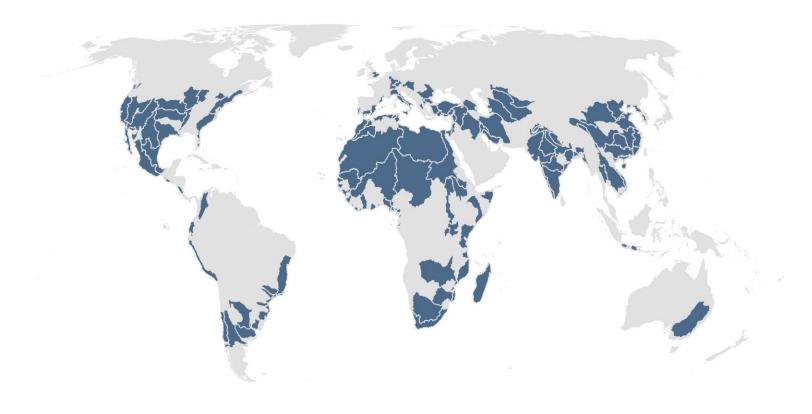




The WRC and partners have analyzed and curated a list of 100 priority basins to scale collective action



The 100 Priority Basins







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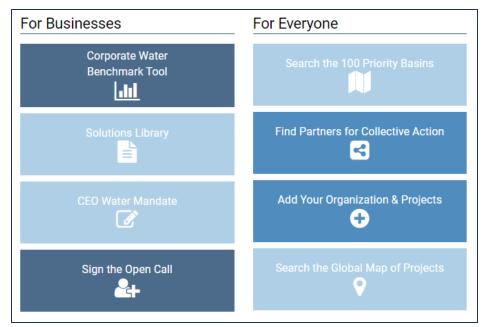




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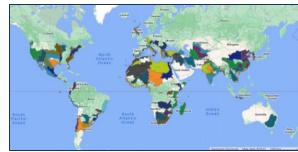
The Water Action Hub + Our 100 Priority Basins



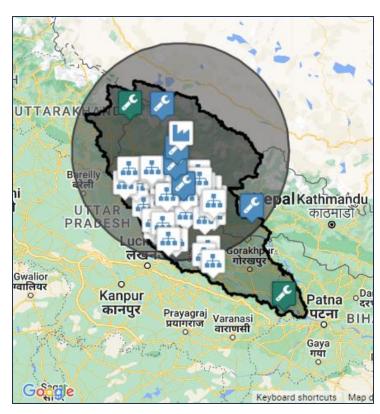
Make a profile to map water projects and connect with other basin partners

Utilize our Corporate Water Benchmarking Tool and NBS Benefits Explorer





Search our 100 Priority Basins to find projects influencing your operations



Search Projects by Basin





WATER ACTION HUB & DIGITAL TOOL FUTURE

The Premiere Online Destination for Water Stewardship Activities







OUR CURRENT COLLECTIVE ACTIONS

Priority places for demonstrating impact and leadership



Vaal System + Limpopo (TBD)

Berg/Breede (TNC & WWF - Invasive Species)

21 Collective Actions
15 River Basins
6 Countries



Secretariat Facilitated Basins





Basin Champions

Ambassadors and engagement leaders at the regional level

Basin Name	Company	Representative
California (USA)	Ecolab	Christophe Beck (CEO)
Godavari (India)	Diageo + GSK	Lisa Martin (CPO) + Debra Crew (CEO) & Local CEO
Rio Lerma (Mexico)	Diageo	Debra Crew (CEO) & Local CEO
Upper Tana (Kenya)	Diageo	Debra Crew (CEO) & Jane Karuku (African CEO)
Mississippi (USA)	3M + 1	Bob Brown (CEO) + Work in progress
São Paulo (Brazil)	AB InBev	Michel Doukeris (CEO) + Jean Jereissati (Ambev CEO)
Woman + Water Collaborative (India)	GAP Inc.	Mark Breitbard (GAP Brand CEO)
Yamuna (India)	HCL Tech	C Vijayakumar (CEO)
Rio Grande/Bravo (Mexico / USA)	Heineken + Coca- Cola FEMSA	Finalizing
Java Island (Indonesia)	1	Work in progress
Guadalquivir (Spain)	1	Work in progress





Rejuvenating critical watersheds by working with local partners



Collective Action Case Study



SITUATION

- **27% BR-GDP**
- 27 million people in severe drought
- **Energy + water** insecurity

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER:



CURRENT MEMBERS:











INTERESTED MEMBERS:













2030 POTENTIAL IMPACT

CARBON BENEFIT (TONS CO2/YEAR)

1.089.010,69

CONSERVATION (HA)

125,689

PEOPLE IMPACTED

11.234 (Economic Benefits) 12.326.401 (Water availability)

FOREST RESTORATIONS &

WATER QUANTITY (M3)

559,438,767



Jaguariúna Watershed 2019







Jaguariúna Watershed 2022





Business Leaders' Open Call to Accelerate Water Action

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Achieve collective positive water impact in 100 global water basins by 2030 in each company's operation and supply chain.



Measure the water impact annually based on improvement in basin-wide conditions



Water availability, quality, and accessibility.

WRC Support to the call:

- Provide and update 100 priority basin list.
- Share a Portfolio of Projects for the 100 basins.
- Track the Collective Action impact of the Open Call.

Call potential support for the WRC:

- Increase no. of Companies supporting WRC's CA Portfolio
- Increase Collective Action Impacts in Basins
- Increase business and partner potential engagement with WRC

https://wateractionnow.org





INNOVATION

Multiplying our impact by bringing the unique expertise of our members and partners to water resilience



New Partnerships for Innovation

Digital Basin Diagnostics
Open-Source Data Platform
- Via Water Action Hub
Scoping

Digital Water Benefits Monitoring for Agriculture

- Building water resilience into regenerative agriculture
(Cargill) - Scoping

Digital Monitoring of Water Resilience in Basins for Companies

- Building Service Provider Capabilities (European Space Agency) Launched Nov.2022

Water & Sanitation Technologies
Working Group

- Scaling up proven solutions in basins (Dupont / BMGF) - *Ideation*





YOUR ROLE



YOUR ROLE **WRC** members connect with each other to innovate solutions and take action on water

Connection and Action





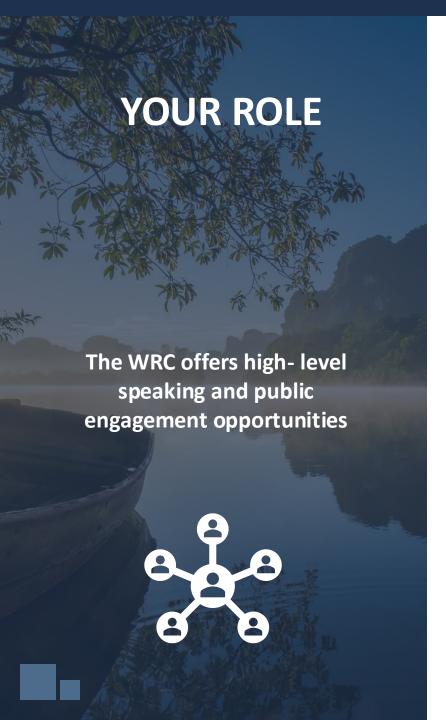


Collaborate with trusted partners to address basin-level challenges through scalable collective action initiatives

Share your expertise and challenges to **drive thought leadership** and advance best practice on water in the global private sector

Join leaders using their company voice to elevate current and future water challenges and solutions





Engage Publicly on Water

High Level Venues









Profiles in Leadership



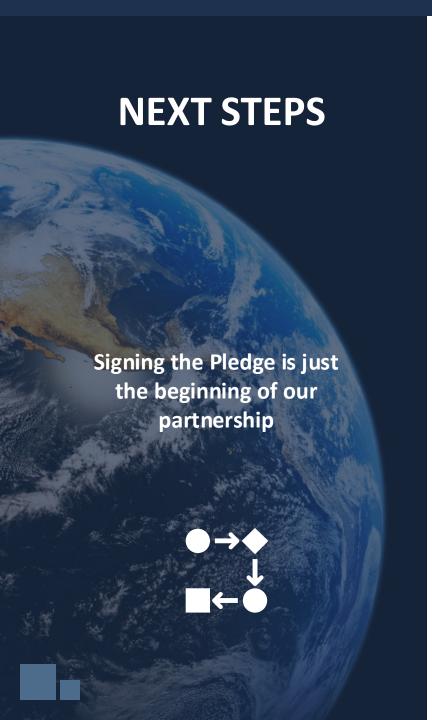
CEO Circle

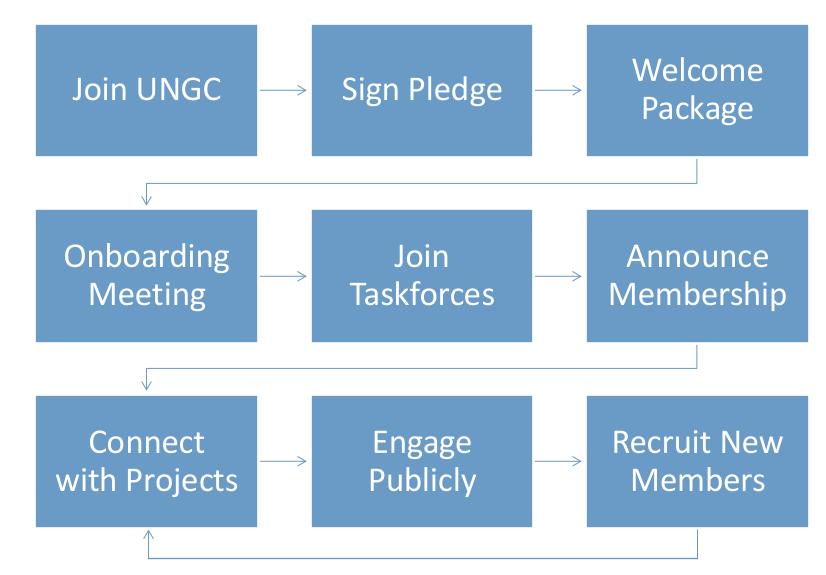




NEXT STEPS









NEXT STEPS All WRC Members must be signatories of the **UN Global Compact**

UNGC Membership

Member companies must be signatories of the UN Global Compact and its 10 Principles on Human Rights, Labor, Environment, & Anti-Corruption





WRC Governance

Here is how we are structured

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

- Composed of up to 20 leading companies + external advisors
- Sets overall strategic vision of the Coalition
- Responsible for tracking the WRC goals and 2030 Roadmap

CEO CIRCLE

- Senior-level engagement & recruitment instance
- Promote basin champions & flagship actions
- Composed by WRC CEOs & invited-only CEOs

COALITION MEMBER COMPANIES

- Sign the Water Resilience Pledge, report progress, collaborate in watersheds
- Working Groups convened to address shared barriers & opportunities (a subset of member companies opting in) and

PARTNERSHIP NETWORK

- Composed of partners with different expertise that helps us advance the work and increase our impact
- Partners fill different roles collective action implementers; technical expertise; financial expertise; comms & advocacy expertise



Operational Commitments

WRC commitments are specific enough to drive action, but flexible to fit each company

General Members

- Provide CEO quote upon joining
- Provide locations of interest for collective action projects
- Senior leadership to engage publicly* about water ONCE per year
- Provide communications point of contact & support WRC campaigns
- Recruit ONE new WRC members per year
- Engage in at least one place-based WRC collective action within a year of joining

Leadership Committee

- Provide CEO quote upon joining
- Provide locations of interest for collective action projects
- Senior leadership to engage publicly* about water
 TWICE per year one being the CEO
- Provide communications point of contact & support WRC campaigns
- Recruit TWO new WRC members per year
- Engage in at least one place-based WRC collective action within a year of joining
- **CEO to join the CEO Circle** a strategic board that meets twice per year (90 mins hybrid)





NEXT STEPS Member contributions make the work of the WRC possible

Financial Contribution

Financial contributions to WRC Secretariat separate from UNGC membership fees or project-specific contributions

Member

Company revenue (\$USD)

Annual financial

commitment for

Annual general

commitment

first 3 years





NEXT STEPS

Raise Your Ambition

Make the Commitment

Join the Coalition



Become a New WRC Member



