

WASH Network and Partners



The [Sustainable Services Initiative](#) (SSI) is an internal initiative of Welthungerhilfe, in partnership with Aguaconsult and German Toilet Organization (GTO) and financially supported by Viva Con Agua (VcA). The SSI seeks to improve the sustainability of WHH's WASH programmes, primarily through encouraging the uptake of a systems strengthening approach on the part of WHH programmes, and to advocate in the sector and partner countries for a more sustainable approach to WASH programming.



Welthungerhilfe is cofounder of the [German WASH Network](#), a strategic network of [26 German WASH-affiliated NGO](#) aiming to increase political will to prioritising WASH through joint advocacy and awareness raising. It strives for a professionalisation of German WASH actors through the continuous exchange of knowledge and improved collaboration and complementarity of humanitarian assistance and development cooperation.



[Aguaconsult](#) is a UK-based consulting company providing a range of technical assistance service in the field of water and sanitation, and related aspects including decentralised service delivery, financing, policy research and reform, community organisation and business model development. Aguaconsult is a client-focussed organisation working in collaborative partnership with a wide range of rural and urban stakeholders from local to global, and from the public, private and non-profit sectors. Aguaconsult has been an implementation partner of WHH's Sustainable Services Initiative since 2017 and currently provides technical support, mentoring and coaching services to Welthungerhilfe's flagship systems strengthening program, the BMZ-funded Global WASH Program.



The [German Toilet Organization](#) (GTO) is a German NGO, aiming to sustainably improve sanitation services and hygiene practices, protect human dignity, health and the environment. GTO combines its technical WASH expertise and experience in local project implementation with extensive knowledge of political processes and public relations. It has a focus on the development and dissemination of scalable concepts and tools that can be applied by multipliers and implementation partners around the world. GTO has been an implementation partner of WHH's Sustainable Services Initiative since 2015 and supported WHH through its contacts and sector insights to shape its WASH network.



VcA aims to make the Human Right to Water and Sanitation a reality for everyone, everywhere through access to WASH services that last forever. The organization believes that empowered civil society movements and networks can take collective action with like-minded organizations to meet this most basic of human needs. VcA promotes an Universal Language Approach making use of Sports, Arts and Music to drive social change and believes that people lacking WASH services can be actively involved and become part of the solution rather than passive recipients. Welthungerhilfe is longstanding implementing partner of VcA since 2008.



Welthungerhilfe has been an active member of the GWC and SAG since 2015. Together with the German WASH Network, Welthungerhilfe has been instrumental in the development and implementation of the Humanitarian [Road Map 2020-2025](#) and also helped shape the governance transformation of the GWC.



Welthungerhilfe is cofounder of the Alliance2015, a strategic network of seven European non-government organisations engaged in humanitarian and development action. Together with ACTED, Ayuda en Acción, Cesvi, Concern Worldwide, HELVETAS, and People in Need, Welthungerhilfe seeks to transform systems to tackle hunger and malnutrition, prioritising sustainability, equity and the needs and rights of those who are marginalised.



[IRC-WASH](#) is an international think-and-do tank that works with governments, NGOs, entrepreneurs and people around the world to find long-term solutions to the global crisis in water, sanitation and hygiene services. Currently IRC is engaged in a [research piece](#) that provides WHH with evidence and insights on its systems strengthening programming.



SWA is the United Nations-hosted global multi-stakeholder partnership of governments and their partners from civil society, the private sector, United Nations agencies, research and learning institutions, development banks and the donor community, for achieving the SDG6. Partners have committed to guiding principles and share the belief that government-led, collaborative and multi-stakeholder decision-making leads to more effective and sustainable solutions. Welthungerhilfe is appointed CS focal point for Germany and is currently intensively strengthening the co-operation at country levels especially in IND, PAK, ZWE, SLE, UGA, MWI and KEN



AGENDA FOR CHANGE

A4C is a collaboration of like-minded organisations who work with an agreed set of common principles, focusing on harmonised approaches at district-level to support local and national governments in strengthening WASH-systems to deliver more sustainable outcomes. WHH joined Agenda for Change as part of its Sustainable Services Initiative (SSI) in 2017



WASH United focuses on two initiatives: the Menstrual Hygiene Day and Making Rights Real, an initiative to promote human rights in WASH. WASH United (www.wash-united.org) is the global initiator and coordinator of the MH-Day. Activities are coordinated on the MH-Day-platform <http://menstrualhygieneday.org/about/about-mhday/>. Welthungerhilfe is increasingly engaging in MHM-activities through its WASH programming. In 2019 both partners agreed to co-operate and jointly coordinate lobbying and advocacy activities for the MH Day.



The Rural Water Supply Network (RWSN) is a global practitioner-focused network of more than 12,000 professionals and more than 80 organisations dedicated to rural water supply. RWSN is working to raise standards of knowledge and evidence, technical and professional competence, practice and policy in rural water supply and so fulfil the vision of sustainable rural water services for all. WHH is affiliate member of the RWSN since 2010, joined the network as a full member in 2021 and became a member of the RWSN Executive Committee in August 23.