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# **Water for Development: WASH in the Australian Aid Program**

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## Presentation overview

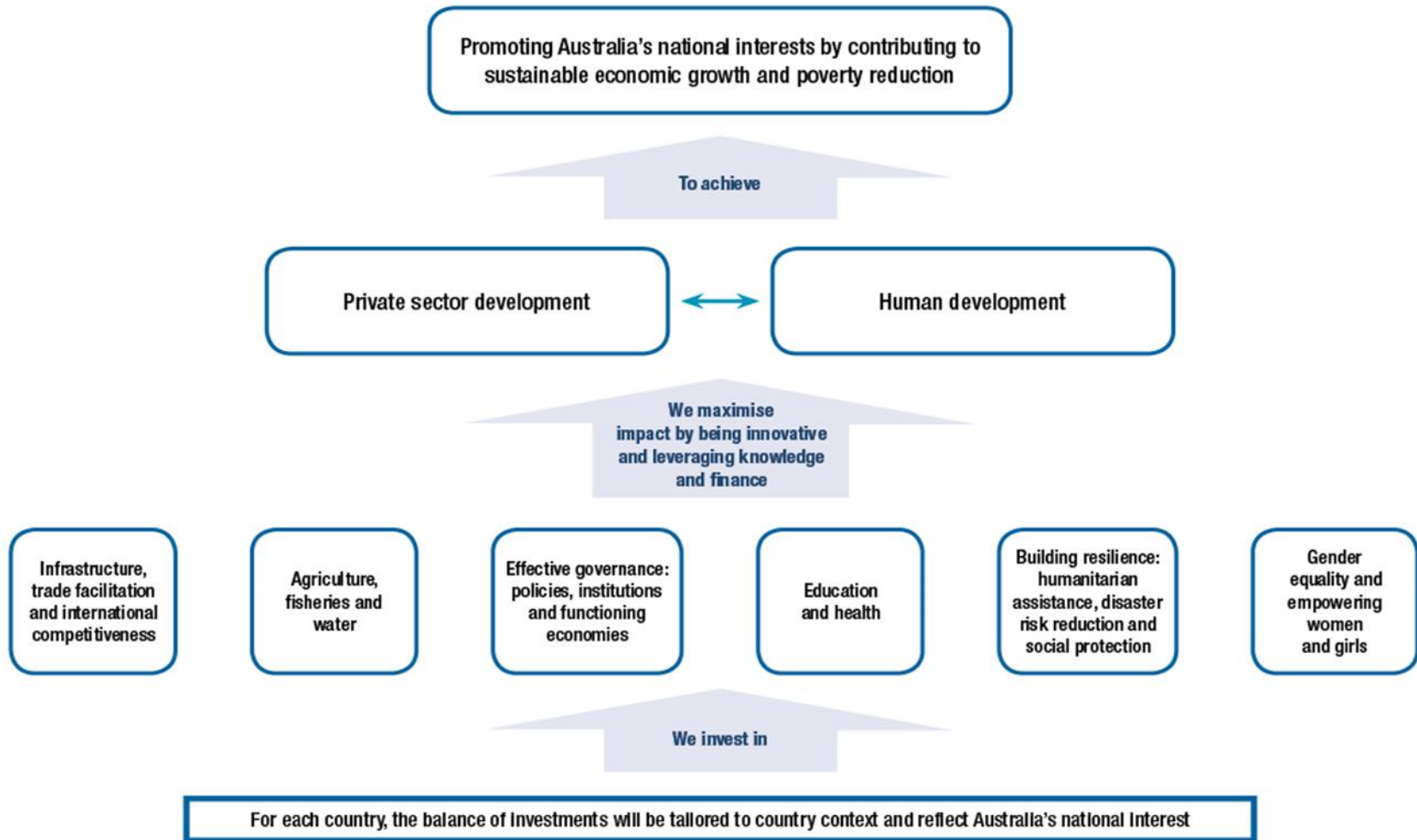
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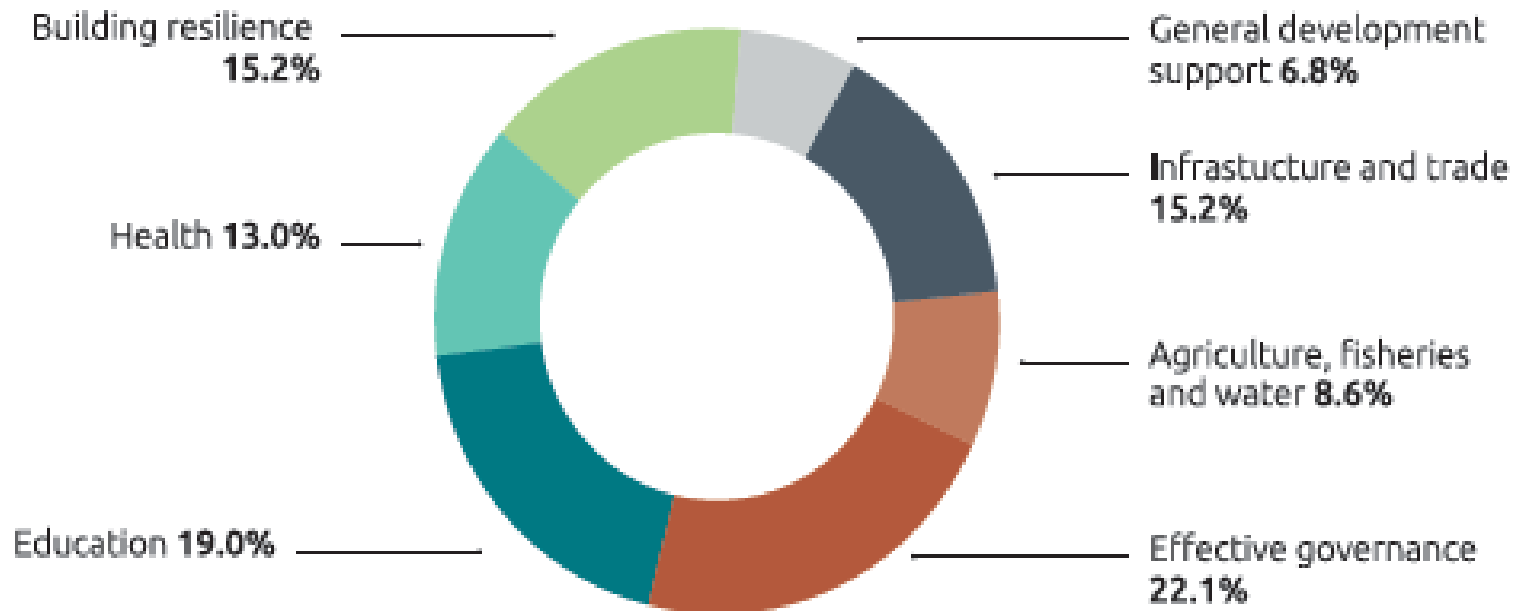
# Overview of Australian Aid Program: strategic framework





## Overview of Australian Aid Program: funding

**Official Development Assistance estimate for 2016-17 is \$3.827 billion**





# Water and sanitation in the Sustainable Development Goals





## Water for Development: Strategic directions

- Improve water security – Water Resource Management
- Support health and nutrition sensitive WASH investments for human development
- Progress achievement of universal access to water and sanitation in Asia-Pacific
- Improve economic productivity and growth
- Women’s empowerment - gender equality



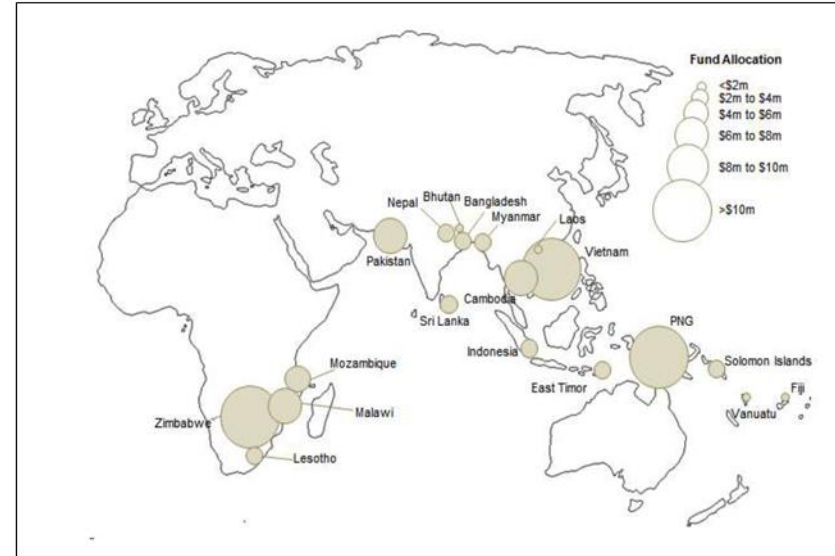
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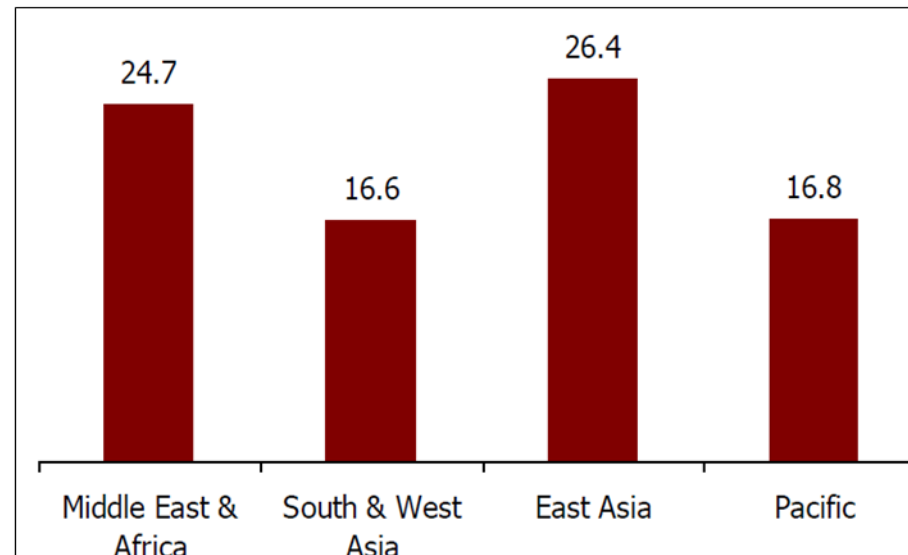
## Civil Society WASH Fund

- Modality: complements other regional or bilateral WASH investments
- Strong focus on good practice, learning & knowledge sharing, gender and social inclusion, sustainability and innovation
- Designed to draw on the comparative advantages of CSOs including in:
  - community engagement
  - facilitating behaviour change
  - supporting the poor and most vulnerable
  - innovation and demonstration of new approaches
  - informing policy with grounded local-level experience

Funds allocated by country (MERP Information System, 2015)



Investment by region (MERP Information System, 2015)





# INNOVATION CHANGE

working to multiply the impact of Australian aid

  
new  
finance

+

  
strategic  
partnerships

+

  
creative  
solutions

  
scale ideas to deliver  
on development  
priorities

## catalysing and supporting innovation

### FACILITATING



linking collaborators  
& investors with  
knowledge  
& opportunity



we engage stakeholders in new ways through strategic partnerships, brokering both finance & expertise



### EXPERIMENTING

with business models,  
technology, & ways of  
delivering service



we support a portfolio of innovative initiatives & projects that service identified priority areas



### NETWORKING

sharing lessons from  
all activities, both  
successes & failures



we exchange knowledge & ideas to solve identified problems & inform future direction





The Pacific Humanitarian Challenge *Nov 30 - Feb 7, 2016*  
#rethinkingresponse

THE BLUE ECONOMY CHALLENGE 2016  
#BlueRevolution

FOOD REVOLUTION LAUNCH

DATA FOR HEALTH

THE CHALLENGE **35m**

deaths go uncounted worldwide, with no cause of death logged

Bloomberg Philanthropies

## Innovations in Private Sector Development in Rural Water Supply Sector



**catalysing and supporting WASH innovation in Vietnam to address the disparity that exists in access to water**



- \$1 million investment**
- Technological innovations
  - Process innovations
  - Embed knowledge sharing



Prototype, pilot, scale



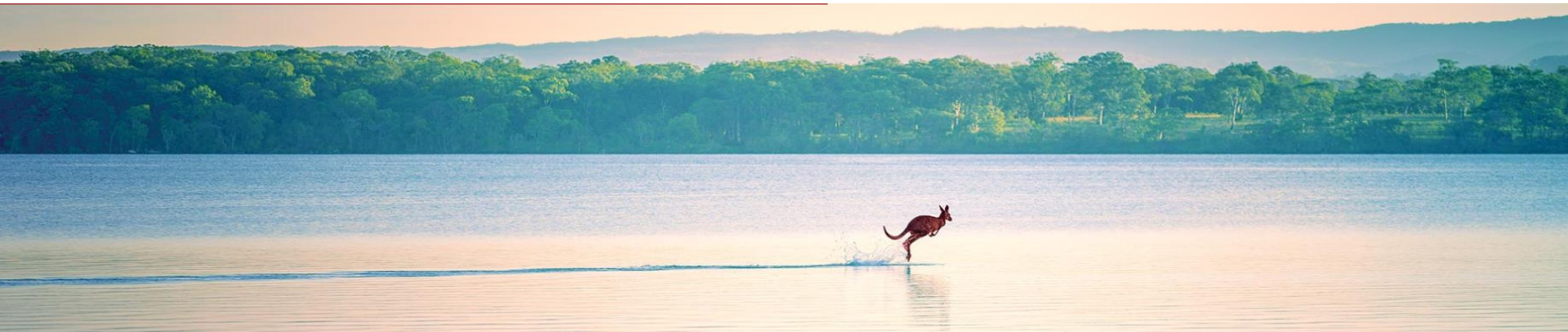



## Australian Water Partnership

- Demand led approach
- Country proposals facilitated through DFAT posts

### ***Three aims***

1. Improve access to Australia's water expertise and experience, in public and private sector
2. Facilitate partnerships, support technology transfer, provide training and capacity building
3. support knowledge sharing and institutional strengthening





## Australian Water Partnership continued

### *Four core themes*

- Understanding the water resource base
- River basin planning & water allocations frameworks
- Governance reforms & institutional strengthening
- Managing demand & improving efficiency

### *Across four water management domains*

- Water sensitive cities / urban water
- Modern irrigations systems
- Catchment and river basin management
- Environmental water quality & quantity



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