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EU WATER INITIATIVE FINANCE WORKING GROUP: DRAFT SPECIFICATION FOR COUNTRY-LEVEL WORK

Objective

To identify demand-side perspectives of what are the blockages & success factors in delivery of increased access to water and sanitation, particularly for the poor.

This is not designed to yield definitive and statistically robust pictures of the water sector. But it should help provide insights into the issues – whether directly or only indirectly financial – which principal water sector players believe are determining local progress and which therefore need to be addressed if change is to occur.

Process

No fixed process but should include a basic desk-based element collecting basic data (see 1. and 2. below) as well as some face-to-face questioning of relevant individuals either as part of already-planned discussions or in conversations specifically engineered for this purpose.

And, notwithstanding the second paragraph above, where a range of people/institutions can be interviewed (eg a municipality with high coverage/a lot of recent progress and one without) this should be done.

Output

Document of up to 4 pages (see attached outline) which by 30 June:

- 1. Sets out briefly the water and sanitation coverage statistics for urban and rural areas in the relevant country and any recent assessments of the sector
- 2. Describes water sector responsibilities at different levels
- 3. Provides for as many levels as possible and also for actual and/or would be service-users in either or both rural and urban settings the view of the three biggest blockages (or if appropriate the three most influential success factors) to increasing watsan access.

Confidentiality

Those interviewed for the work should be asked whether they wish to participate only on the grounds of anonymity.

¹ As a minimum for comparability across countries, this should include the levels of (would-be) service-user, municipality or district administration, and, national government.

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OUTLINE OF OUTPUT DOCUMENT

Title: Demand-side perspectives on watsan access increases in [Country X]

Background: Coverage statistics, existing expenditure, financing needs, recent studies

Sector characteristics: Role of government, municipality/district

Consumer²:

- Outline background details (rural, urban, employment, current watsan access status etc) including any anonymity request
- Blockages/Success factors:
 - 1. a [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 2. b [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 3. c [and "quote" if helpful]

Interim level (Village headman etc.):

- Outline background details (rural, urban, employment, current watsan access status etc) including any anonymity request
- Blockages/Success factors:
 - 1. a [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 2. b [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 3. c [and "quote" if helpful]

Municipality/District Council:

- Outline background details (rural, urban, current watsan access status etc, role/responsibility, recent developments) including any anonymity request
- Blockages/Success factors:
 - 1. a [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 2. b [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 3. c [and "quote" if helpful]

Interim level (State Government, Utility etc.):

- Outline background details (role/responsibility, recent developments etc) including any anonymity request
- Blockages/Success factors:
 - 1. a [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 2. b [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 3. c [and "quote" if helpful]

National Government:

- Outline background details (rural, urban, current watsan access status etc, role/responsibility, recent developments) including any anonymity request
- Blockages/Success factors:
 - 1. a [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 2. b [and "quote" if helpful]
 - 3. c [and "quote" if helpful]

² Up to four of these: urban & rural, and, served & unserved