In response to the Secretary-General’s call for a Decade of Action to deliver the SDGs by 2030, the SDG 6 Global Acceleration Framework was launched in 2020. The SDG 6 Global Acceleration Framework aims to deliver fast results for SDG 6 while strengthening system-wide collaboration at the country level. The five accelerators outlined in the Framework – Financing, Data and Information, Capacity Development, Innovation, and Governance – will focus the international community’s support to country progress.

In less than a year, the international community will gather in New York for the most important water conference in a generation: the UN 2023 Water Conference. The co-hosts of the Conference, the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kingdom of the Netherlands, are striving to make the Conference a watershed moment for the world. As we approach next year’s historic Conference, acceleration and preparatory events in the context of the Conference will be presented during this Special Event at the High-Level Political Forum.

In 2021, UN-Water initiated a series of country acceleration case studies to support learning and sharing of good practices. The case study countries will benefit from the wide expertise within the UN-Water family and from engagement with Resident Coordinators and UN Country Teams. This event will introduce the first set of Case Studies in Costa Rica, Pakistan and Senegal. The Water and Climate Coalition will also be featured as they lead the charge for a more resilient
world by bringing the Integrated Water and Climate Agenda to the global political arena.

This SDG 6 Special Event is co-chaired by the Chair of UN-Water, Mr. Gilbert F. Houngbo and the Secretary-General of the UN 2023 Water Conference, USG Mr. Liu Zhenmin.
SDG 6 Special Event Virtual Dialogue

8:30-10:30 EDT, Thursday 14 July 2022
Virtual Event during the High-Level Political Forum

This virtual event will provide a platform for UN-Water Members and Partners to have an in-depth discussion on committing to the Water Action Agenda. This Agenda is a transformative voluntary mechanism of the UN 2023 Water Conference that brings together all commitments - small and big, from coalitions across the world from within and beyond the water sector - that accelerate and scale water actions across the 2030 Agenda and climate action, and support, track and deliver on the 2030 Agenda and beyond 2030.

Since this SDG 6 Special Event will be the last Special Event before the UN 2023 Water Conference, the Virtual Dialogue aims to offer another opportunity for the UN-Water family to be updated on the Conference preparations and to discuss with the Conference co-hosts on how the UN-Water family can work together to contribute to the UN 2023 Water Conference.