



WHAT IS THE COOPERATION FUND FOR WATER AND SANITATION?

It is a Spanish Cooperation instrument that promotes the progressive realization of water and sanitation rights in 18 countries of Latin America.

It currently collaborates in the region through 67 programmes with a value of 1.6 billion euros, of which 790 million euros are donations from Spain.

The Fund's priority lines of action are:

- A · Sustainable access to safe drinking water services.
- C · Sector governance and the strengthening of policies and institutional frameworks, fostering participation in water

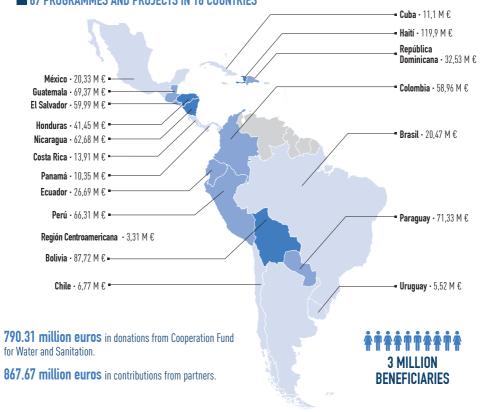
- B · Sustainable access to basic sanitation services.
- D · Promotion of integrated water resource management.



WHERE WE WORK

The Fund's actions focus on rural and peri-urban areas with lower coverage of safe drinking water and sanitation services, and prioritize the most vulnerable populations in order to reduce inequality.

■ 67 PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS IN 18 COUNTRIES





STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The Fund focuses on:

Contributing to the progressive realization of the human right to water and sanitation. Accompanying Spanish
Cooperation's partner countries in
Latin America and the Caribbean
on the path towards achieving the
Sustainable Development Goals of
the 2030 Agenda, and in particular
SDG 6: Ensure access to water and
sanitation for all.

The Fund currently prioritizes actions that favour service-based management and sustainability of water and sanitation programmes.

Another key area is the assistance in drafting public policies and regulatory frameworks for integrated water resource management and river basin planning.

HOW WE WORK

The projects are carried out under the leadership of the partner countries, and managed bilaterally through the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), or multilaterally with the collaboration of the Inter-American Development Bank, a strategic partner in the region.

The Fund's programmes are conceived and managed following a human rights-based approach. Additionally, the Fund promotes actions that foster environmental protection, cultural diversity, and climate change adaptation.

The Fund focuses on gender and promotes the participation of both women and men in its interventions.

TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ALLIANCES

The Fund's actions offer an added value through technical cooperation that draws on the experience of Spanish institutions in the sector, through Spain's Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Food and Environment (MAPAMA), its Centre of Hydrographic Studies (CEDEX), and TRAGSATEC.

The Fund also works with the Conference of Ibero-American Water Directors (CODIA), the Ibero-American Network of Climate Change Offices (RIOCC), the Conference of Directors of Ibero-American Meteorological and Hydrological Services (CIMHET), the Latin American network of knowledge centres (RALCEA), and civil society organizations.

In recent years the Fund has increased its collaboration with service operators such as the Spanish Association of Water Supply and Sanitation (AEAS), and research centres such as the Centre for New Water Technologies (CENTA), and the Geology and Mining Institute of Spain.

Moreover, it has promoted highly significant synergies with EU Delegated Cooperation in the region, coordinating 400 million euros in programmes, with EU donations of 80 million euros. Spanish Cooperation is strengthening reimbursable financial cooperation and participation in the multi-donor Aquafund managed by the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) to drive improvements in the sector in Latin America.



OUTCOMES

- 3 million people have sustainable access to safe drinking water and sanitation.
- I,150 schools have sustainable access to safe drinking water and sanitation.

640,000 people trained in

- 800 water committees have included women within their governance structures.
 - Strengthening of institutional capacity in all projects.

Capacity building for

II,000 professionals in

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