The Equitable Access Scorecard

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Objective of the Document

To present an *analytical tool*...

... that can be used by governments (and other stakeholders) in *establishing a baseline, tracking progress, and prompting discussions on further actions* needed to achieve equitable access to water and sanitation...

... in order to *support the implementation of policies and practices* to uphold the human rights to water and sanitation under the principle of “progressive realization”.
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Equitable access to water and sanitation

- The challenge of ensuring equitable access
- International obligations to achieve equitable access
- Steering governance frameworks to ensure equitable access
- Reducing geographical disparities
- Ensuring access for vulnerable and marginalised groups
- Keeping water and sanitation affordable for all
How to use the scorecard

• **Strategic guidance** – Organizing a self-assessment process and communicating the results

• **Practical guidance** – Notes for filling the scorecard

• **Glossary** of key terms
1. Identify the objectives of the self-assessment exercise
2. Take the necessary time, but not more
3. Put together a “balanced” self-assessment team
4. Ensure continuous multi-stakeholder involvement
Self-assessment exercise (2/2)

5 Plan the workshops carefully – launch workshop, findings workshop, policy event

6 Use the results of the scorecard for strategic evaluation and priority setting

7 Present the results in attractive formats -- summary sheet, situational analysis, policy summary

8 Use the results to track your progress, not to compare with others
## Practical guidance

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<td>To a little extent</td>
<td>There is some limited information at local level supporting a positive answer. There is some limited information at national level partly supporting a positive answer</td>
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<td>To a large extent</td>
<td>There is extensive information at the local level and some at the national level supporting a positive answer</td>
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<td>There is enough evidence available at national level fully supporting a positive answer</td>
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Country/region profile

• Socioeconomic data
  – Added question on unemployment rate

• International obligations
  – General sense that this sub-section was overwhelming and distracting rather than useful
    a) Reduction on the number of treaties to just 2
    b) Elimination of the requirement to provide information about implementation
Governance framework

- Area 1.1 unchanged
- Area 1.2
  - rephrasing of question 1.2.1
  - new question 1.2.4 (from former Area 1.4)
- Area 1.3
  - merging of two questions into new 1.3.1
  - rephrasing of question 1.3.2
- Area 1.4 deleted
Geographical disparities

• Unchanged
Vulnerable and marginalized groups

• Area 3.1 unchanged

• Area 3.2
  – merging of two questions into 3.2.3

• Area 3.3
  – formerly a “summary” area
  – annexes on health facilities, education, and prisons moved to main text
  – area on prisons now incorporates refugee camps
  – new area on retirement homes

• Area 3.7 rephrasing of title
Affordability

• Area 4.1 unchanged

• Area 4.2
  – rephrasing of question 4.2.1
  – rephrasing of question 4.2.4

• Area 4.3
  – rephrasing of question 4.3.1
Summary sheet

• Updated to reflect changes in the scorecard structure