|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Country flag |  |  |
| [Name of Country] Brief | | |
| 2024 LAC Finance Ministers’ Meeting | | |

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Country Name |  |
| Share highlights of the progress the country is making towards the water, sanitation, and hygiene targets of the SDGS. National and [JMP](https://washdata.org/data) data as well as [OLAS](https://www.olasdata.org/en/) data will be helpful here.  Progress can also/ in addition be benchmarked against national and regional targets. In this section, you can also include a brief statement on the rate of progress needed to achieve the water, sanitation, and hygiene targets as well as the expected situation by 2030 at the current rate of progress. |  |
|  | |
| Underscore the political ambition of the country for water, sanitation, and hygiene and what it will take – financially - to achieve it. For example, any Presidential initiative, directive, or decree that identifies water, sanitation and hygiene as a priority could be mentioned here[[1]](#footnote-2), ideally also taking into account the added challenges of climate change.  If your country has previously made commitments related to finance (either under the [Mutual Accountability Mechanism](https://www.sanitationandwaterforall.org/about/our-work/mutual-accountability-mechanism), the 2022 [Tiquipaya Declaration](https://api.olasdata.org/rails/active_storage/blobs/eyJfcmFpbHMiOnsibWVzc2FnZSI6IkJBaHBBaFVJIiwiZXhwIjpudWxsLCJwdXIiOiJibG9iX2lkIn19--b77870bf9987a66ef582b10002355faeb03e23c9/DECLARACION%20VI%20LATINOSAN%2013Oct%20final.pdf) (LatinoSan VI), the [Water Action Agenda](https://sdgs.un.org/partnerships/action-networks/water) or another platform), you can summarize the commitment and progress in this area and indicate what remains to be done to achieve this commitment if it is still relevant[[2]](#footnote-3). The commitments may be related to national, regional, or global processes. |  |
|  | |
| Provide summary of information related to the resourcing of the water and sanitation sector. This component can be completed with information submitted to [GLAAS](https://glaas.who.int/glaas?hostName=glaas.who.int). Countries with [WASH Accounts](https://www.who.int/teams/environment-climate-change-and-health/water-sanitation-and-health/monitoring-and-evidence/wash-systems-monitoring/un-water-global-analysis-and-assessment-of-sanitation-and-drinking-water/wash-accounts) can also use inputs from the recent reports.  Aspects to include:   * Share of GDP currently spent on WASH. * Share of the public budget spent on WASH. * Sub-sectors than need more attention. * How the Budget and financing instruments are being used to target the most vulnerable and marginalized, including indigenous populations, people living in informal settlements, peri-urban areas and rural communities? |  |
|  | |
| List concrete and present opportunities for investments in the sector that can increase economic benefits and where partnerships with different stakeholders can accelerate progress.  For example, opportunities in tourism, job creation, decreasing social costs (including in the area of healthcare), promoting industry, increasing tax revenue, creating investor confidence and others. This should demonstrate the contribution of the sector to economic growth, recovery, and development. |  |
|  | |
| Provide suggestions on ways that the government is already considering improving the investment outlook for water, sanitation, and hygiene. For instance, through the mobilization of private investments, creation of specific tax provisions, reform of the tariff structure for the sector, access to climate finance, development of the circular economy. |  |
|  | |
| Highlight specific commitments that the country plan to present in the context of the FMM to achieve the suggestions above. Please share these commitments/ideas with SWA if you would like them to be featured during the meeting and through the [Mutual Accountability Mechanism](https://www.sanitationandwaterforall.org/about/our-work/mutual-accountability-mechanism).  SWA may request additional information or a short video from the minister highlighting your country’s initiative to improve financing and investments for the sector. |  |
|  | |
| Can SWA publish this brief on the website? Publishing your country brief will enable other SWA partners to know your priorities and explore opportunities for collaboration. . | Yes  No |

1. Highlighting investments for water, sanitation, and hygiene as critical to achieving this political ambition as well as reaching the economic targets can help to strengthen the case for water, sanitation, and hygiene. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. The commitments may be related to national, regional, or global processes. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)