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Proposed Title
Science for a Water Secure World in a Changing Environment

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	global agendas such as the Paris agreement on climate change, Sendai Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and the New Urban Agenda (NUA).	Paris Agreement on Climate Change (PACC), 14 November 2016; Sendai Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), 18 Mach 2015; and the New Urban Agenda (NUA).20 October 2016.	Consistent use of capital letters and abbreviations throughout the document. Date when such documents where adopted.

Additional comments

- apply numerical nomenclature multi levels on headings and subheadings for ease of reference and navigation through the document.

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Preamble 2	current COVID-19	COVID-19	Remove “current” because when is read in future it will be irrelevant.
Preamble 3	water systems needs	water needs	systems refers to a number of things, unless clearly specified earlier in the document.
6	The High Level Panel on Water report (Every drop counts) and the report of the High level panel on water and peace (Water a matter of survival) have also clearly stressed the crucial need for evidence based	The High Level Panel on Water Report (Every drop counts) and the report of the High Level Panel on Water and Peace (Water a matter of survival) have also clearly stressed the crucial need for evidence based	Capitalise

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	decisions in addressing complex water challenges	decisions in addressing complex water challenges	
7	LINKS		First time use in full, then abbreviations (apply throughout the whole document where applicable)
9	UNGA declaration		First time use in full, then abbreviations
12, 13,42	focal persons.	Focal points	More acceptable as adopted by most countries
15	Table		Add Table title
18	<u>Further research in hydrological cycles, ecohydrology and groundwater</u>	This will enable protection of ecologically sensitive environment.	Add the statement at the end of the section
23	It is therefore incumbent on scientists to help interpret their findings to be understandable and useful for educators and the students and publics they interact with.	It is therefore incumbent on scientists to help interpret their findings to be understandable and useful for educators and the students and publics they interact with to make science easily understandable by non-scientific community.	Addition to the sentence.
23	It is a commonly stated statistic that Africa needs a near 200% increase in the number of water professionals, Latin America a 100% increase and Asia a 50% i		We recommend that we also include percentages of other regions of the world not stated here of their capacity of water professionals.

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		Considering challenges related to data scarcity especially in developing countries, especially in Africa, Latin America and Asia where there is limited scientists the role of citizen science in water management cannot be overlooked.	Proposed addition
22	IHP-IX will pursue the development and use of a water education related indicator under target 6a.	IHP-IX will pursue the development and use of a water education related indicator under SDGs Target 6a “international cooperation and capacity building”	To make easy to follow make the reader understand
24	Category 2 Centres	Category 2 Water Centres	Include Water (apply throughout the whole document)
31	basin level	River basin level	Include River
32	non-conventional Water Resources (NCWRs)		Capitalise
34	SWM		First time use in full, then abbreviations
34	water cycle management (WCM)		First time use in full, then abbreviations
36	SIDS		First time use in full, then abbreviations
36	PC-CP)	PCCP	

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36	6A, 6B	6a , 6b	Consistency throughout the document
43	Initiatives s,	Initiatives	Remove extra S

Additional comments

We are aware that IHP-VIII is still in the process and acknowledging the IHP VIII Mid-Term Review, and in the event where there are areas which will not be concluded by the end of IHP VIII, can IHP-IX make a linkage for continuation of such.