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Background

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 by the UN-Water family in 2020. The SDG 6 Global Acceleration Framework aims to deliver fast results for SDG 6 at an increased scale and strengthen system-wide collaboration at the country level. The five accelerators outlined in the Framework – Financing, Data and Information, Capacity Development, Innovation, and Governance – will improve the international community's support to country progress. The 2022 SDG 6 Special Event will take the SDG 6 Global Acceleration Framework to the country level with national experiences in implementing the targets for water and sanitation.

In less than a year, the international community will gather in New York for the most important water conference in a generation: the <u>UN 2023 Water Conference</u>. The cohosts of the Conference, Tajikistan and 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.

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 its engagements with Resident Coordinators (RCs) and UN Country Teams (UNCTs) and its substantial network of focal persons covering most UN Member States. 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 change 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-hosted by the Chair of UN-Water, Mr. Gilbert F. Houngbo and the Secretary-General of the UN 2023 Water Conference, USG Mr. Liu Zhenmin.

