Statement by UN Habitat on Data for SDG6 and the importance of data collected at city and water and sanitation operator level

Cities are home to more than half of the world's 7.9 (approx.) billion people. Current urbanization trends indicate that an additional three billion people will be living in cities by 2050, increasing the urban share of the world's population to two-thirds. Localizing of the SDGs and collection of data at this level is extremely important. Cities and water and sanitation operators can play an important role in collecting data related to SDG 6. For this purpose the UN Statistical Commission with inputs from UN Habitat has adopted the Global Urban Monitoring Framework.