

Initiative	Valuing Water
<b>List of actions</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Encourage friends of the panel to convene a multi-stakeholder process, informed by research and evidence, that distills a set of core principles and new methodology for valuing water, building on the human right to water and sanitation</li> <li>2. The Panel, considering the suggested core principles, will articulate a narrative on valuing water, placing valuing water within the broader context of improved water governance and the SDG's</li> <li>3. Encourage development partners to establish a lighthouse initiative that will support countries willing to implement improved and inclusive policies, institutions, and approaches for valuing water</li> </ol>
<b>Champions</b>	<b>Netherlands</b> Australia, Bangladesh, Tajikistan
<b>Relevant events</b>	WEF: (Jan 2017), Stockholm World Water Week (Aug. 2017), New York (post-UNGA): (Sept 2017), Global Citizen Festival: (Sept. 2017)
<b>Scenario roadmap</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>November 2016 – February 2017:</b> preparation of <i>background papers</i> that cover economic, environmental, social and spiritual “values” of water (including technical aspects, addressing the <i>how to</i> issue)</li> <li>• <b>January 2017:</b> World Economic Forum led by PM Rutte on a podium with civil society and environmental organizations – highlighting the importance of valuing water in ALL its dimensions (social, environmental and economic)</li> <li>• <b>February 2017:</b> Feedback and inputs on background papers from stakeholders and academics (e.g. SIWI, GWP, WBCSD, IWA, etc.....)</li> <li>• <b>March-April 2017:</b> Preparation of a pithy and compelling <i>synthesis report</i> prepared <i>together with</i> experts (with an impeccable reputation and demonstrated requisite skills) making the case for why valuing water is necessary for achieving global goals (growth, inclusion, sustainability as part of the SDGs)</li> <li>• <b>April –November 2017:</b> Global public consultation around the reports, revision, final consultation to assure consensus, finalization</li> <li>• <b>November – December 2017:</b> Launch of document and multi-stakeholder Valuing Water Leaders Coalition</li> </ul>