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KEY RESULTS FY 2014

Central America
- Rural Water and Sanitation Information System (SIASAR) officially adopted by Central American Governments (FOCARD).
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- WSP supported the Government in the implementation of fecal sludge management and overcoming fecal contamination constraints.
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- Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Management (DMRM) in main Water Utility
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Bolivia
- Monitoring Country Progress in Water and Sanitation (MAPAS) initiative will be implemented in at least 3 new Latin American countries.
- WSP supported the WSS Sector in the implementation of Pre-Investment Norms which promote water and sanitation access as a human right.

Haiti
- Cholera Elimination Strategy
- WSP, along with other donors, supported the National Water and Sanitation Directorate (DINEPA) in the review of the strategy for the elimination of cholera.

Peru
- 4 affordable sanitation solutions designed and tested by 12 private sector partners.

FRA ncilia
- WSP is supporting five water utilities in a comprehensive strategy aimed at promoting users’ participation in service delivery improvement.
- Support to the Government in the implementation of fecal sludge management norms and regulation.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Ecuador
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MOVING FORWARD FY 2015

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- WSP will support the Government to lead a 360° WSS policy reform in 5 core areas:
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Design and implementation of a Water and Sanitation Fund at subnational level in 3 Peruvian regions.
- Ministry of Housing and WSS has requested WSP to lead a 360° WSS policy reform in 3 core areas: investment and financing; merging of urban utilities; wastewater treatment; rural WSS strategy; and the investment plan for reaching the 2021 national goals.
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**KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS**

**Central America**

MAPAS El Salvador & Panama
Participatory sector dialogue to propose a series of priority actions for improving the performance of the sector.

**Bolivia**

Wastewater Reuse for Irrigation in the Bolivian Highlands
Summary of findings to guide policy-making on wastewater reuse in agriculture.

**Honduras**

Public Expenditure Review
Analysis of the WSS sector’s current financing structure, public expenditure and the effects of the government’s decentralization process.

**Haiti**

Domestic Private Sector Participation in the Rural Water Sector
Evaluation of private sector participation and scaling up of new management models in the rural water sector.

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**WATER & SANITATION FACTS**

- **36 million people** without access to improved drinking water.
- **110 million people** without access to improved sanitation.
- **3 countries** off track on the sanitation MDG: Bolivia, Haiti, and Nicaragua.
- **Open defecation** in rural areas: 15.9 million people (12.7%). Bolivia and Haiti have the highest rates: 49% and 38%.
- **5 countries** with less than 50% of rural sanitation coverage: Bolivia, Brazil, Haiti, Nicaragua, and Peru.
- **WSS services** highly vulnerable to climate change.

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