

# NET AFRICA

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## WATER



### INVESTING IN WATER– WHAT DO WE MEAN?

We invest in organisations that produce or deliver products, projects and services with the scope to provide basic sanitation and safe and fresh water to humans without compromising the quality and sustainability of water resources. This includes water waste and water utilities, water infrastructure and water technology. Source: combined definitions of the UN Human Right to Water and Sanitation and UN Human Rights Declaration.

#### BUSINESS TYPE<sup>186</sup>

<b>1. Water management/treatment:</b> companies that manage water systems and/or treatment facilities.	<b>2. Water distribution:</b> utility companies that provide water and sanitation to urban and rural areas.	<b>3. Water desalination:</b> companies that manage water desalination systems and/or distribution systems.	<b>4. Water technology:</b> utility companies that provide water and sanitation to urban and rural areas.
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#### THEMATIC CONDITIONS<sup>187</sup>

<b>General certification (mandatory) (comply with one or more certifications):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISO 9004 (focuses on how to make a quality management system more efficient and effective)<sup>189</sup></li> <li>- ISO 14001 (focuses on environmental systems)<sup>190</sup></li> <li>- ISO 17025 (focuses on general requirements for the competence to carry out tests and/or calibrations, including sampling; in this case, it provides standards for testing water quality)<sup>191</sup></li> <li>- ISO 24510, ISO 24511 and ISO 24512 (for services and activities for drinking water supply and wastewater systems)<sup>192</sup></li> <li>- ISO/TC 147<sup>193</sup> (for water quality)</li> <li>- ISO 14046<sup>194</sup> (for water footprint, see pre-criteria 3)</li> <li>- Any other similar certification aligned with those highlighted above (if applicable)</li> </ul>	<b>Comply with two or more certifications (mandatory):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISO 9004 (focuses on how to make a quality management system more efficient and effective)<sup>201</sup></li> <li>- ISO 14001 (focuses on environmental systems)<sup>202</sup></li> <li>- ISO/TC 138<sup>203</sup> (for water infrastructure)</li> <li>- ISO 11298<sup>204</sup> -1:2010</li> <li>- ISO 11298<sup>205</sup> -1 (for water infrastructure, focusing on plastic pipe systems for renovation of underground water supply networks)</li> <li>- ISO/TC 5/SC<sup>206</sup> (for water infrastructure, focusing on cast iron pipes)</li> <li>- ISO 559:1991<sup>207</sup> (for water infrastructure)</li> <li>- ISO/TC 153<sup>208</sup> (for water infrastructure, focusing on valves)</li> <li>- ISO 17025 (focuses on general requirements for the competence to carry out tests and/or calibrations, including sampling - in this case, standards for testing water quality)<sup>209</sup></li> <li>- ISO 9001</li> <li>- NASSCO<sup>210</sup></li> </ul>	<b>Certifications (voluntary):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISO 50001 (or equivalent)</li> <li>- ISO 14001 (or equivalent)</li> <li>- ISO 17025 (focuses on general requirements for the competence to carry out tests and/or calibrations, including sampling; in this case, standards for testing water quality)<sup>215</sup></li> <li>- ISO 9004 (focuses on how to make a quality management system more efficient and effective)<sup>216</sup></li> </ul> <b>Additional conditions (mandatory):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Comply with national regulations</li> <li>- Comply with national certification bodies</li> </ul>	<b>Certifications (voluntary):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISO 50001 (or equivalent)</li> <li>- ISO 14001 (or equivalent)</li> </ul> <b>Additional conditions (mandatory):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Comply with national regulations</li> <li>- Comply with national certification bodies</li> </ul>
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**Comply with one or more initiative (voluntary):**

- Water Quality Association <sup>195</sup>
- Canadian Water Quality Association <sup>196</sup>
- Pacific Water Quality Association <sup>197</sup>
- Eastern Water Quality Association (US) <sup>198</sup>
- Any other regional, national or international association

**Additional conditions (mandatory):**

- Comply with national regulations
- Comply with national certification bodies

**Comply with one or more initiative(s) (voluntary):**

- Water Quality Association <sup>211</sup>
- Canadian Water Quality Association <sup>212</sup>
- Pacific Water Quality Association <sup>213</sup>
- Eastern Water Quality Association (US) <sup>214</sup>
- Any other regional, national or international association

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Common KPIs

IRIS ID	Name	Definition
PI8330	Client individuals: female	Number of unique women who were clients of the organisation during the reporting period.
PI3193	Client individuals: poor	Number of unique poor individuals who were clients of the organisation during the reporting period.
PI7098	Client individuals: low income	Number of unique low income individuals who were clients of the organisation during the reporting period.
OI9412	Wastewater treated	Volume of wastewater treated by the organisation during the reporting period.
PD5786	Water savings from products sold	Volume of water savings over the lifetime of the organisation's products for products that were sold during the reporting period.
PI2884	Water savings from services sold	Volume of water savings during the reporting period due to the organisation's services sold.
PI9468	Water provided for sale: total	Volume of water provided and delivered to off-taker(s) during the reporting period.
PI8043	Water provided for sale: potable	Volume of potable water provided and delivered to off-taker(s) during the reporting period.

Guidance Source: KPI