Linking Sustainable Development Goal 6 and Sustainable Development Goal 10

Brown Bag Lunch
February 14
1:00 – 2:30
UN Secretariat 15th floor conference room 19

Sustainable Development Goal 6 calls for water and sanitation for all by 2030. By definition, this means leaving no one behind. But today, billions of people are still living without safe water – their households, schools, workplaces, farms and factories struggling to survive and thrive. Besides the social dimension, this as severe impacts for the economy and the environment.

Sustainable Development Goal 10 aims to reduced inequalities and will be reviewed during the 2019 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development. It is well documented that income inequality is on the rise, with the richest 10 percent earning up to 40 percent of total global income. Inequalities are demonstrated through access to water and sanitation. Marginalized groups – women, children, refugees, indigenous peoples, disabled people and many others – are often overlooked, and sometimes face discrimination, as they try to access and manage the safe water they need.

This World Water Day, 22nd March, is about tackling the water crisis by addressing the reasons why so many people are being left behind. The 2019 UN World Water Development Report, UN-Water flagship report on water provides a comprehensive review on this theme.

SDG 6 2019 UN World Water Development Report: leaving no one behind
Stefan Uhlenbrook, Director of the UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP)

SDG 10, Reducing Inequalities - Thematic review to inform the 2019 High-Level Political Forum
Astra Bonini, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, DESA

Running for Water #EveryDropCounts
Mina Gulli, Water Advocate and ultra runner

Leaving No One Behind: Water for the Missing Middle
Nat Paynter, Vice President, Strategic Partnerships Safe Water Network

Open dialogue
Moderated by Leanne Burney, Program Officer, UN-Water Technical Advisory Unit