

## SECTION 5

# Sharing Responsibilities

Local-level actions and on-the-ground insights are the starting point of the global strategy to improve the overall quality and quantity of the world's water resources. Lessons learned – successes and failures – are invaluable sources of information and, if properly shared, will help us to solve some of the world's most pressing freshwater-related problems.

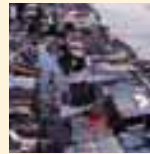
Improving water management and stewardship means meeting basic needs, reducing vulnerabilities, improving and securing access to water and empowering the poverty-stricken to manage the water upon which they depend.



### Chapter 14 – **Case Studies: Moving Towards an Integrated Approach**

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These 16 case studies from around the world examine water resource challenges and provide valuable on-the-ground insights into the facets of the water crisis and different management responses: The Autonomous Community of the Basque Country (Spain), Danube River Basin (Albania, Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Switzerland, Ukraine), Ethiopia, France, Japan, Kenya, Lake Peipsi (Estonia, Russian Federation), Lake Titicaca (Bolivia, Peru), Mali, the State of Mexico, Mongolia (Tuul Basin), La Plata Basin (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay), South Africa, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Uganda.



### Chapter 15 – **Conclusions and Recommendations for Action**

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Drawing on the essential points and key messages presented throughout the Report, this chapter weaves together a set of conclusions and recommendations to guide future action and enhance the sustainable use, productivity and management of the world's increasingly scarce and polluted freshwater resources.