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Systems Approaches to Water, Sanitation and Hygiene: A Systematic Literature Review

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Abstract: Endemic issues of sustainability in the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) sector have led to the rapid expansion of ‘system approaches’ to for assessing the multitude of interconnected factors that affect WASH outcomes. However, the sector lacks a systematic analysis and characterization of the knowledge base for systems approaches, in particular how and where they are being implemented and what outcomes have resulted from their application. To address this need, we conducted a wide-ranging systematic literature review of systems approaches for WASH across the peer-reviewed, grey, and organizational literature. Our results show a myriad of methods, scope, and applications within the sector, but an inadequate level of information in the literature to evaluate the utility and efficacy of systems approaches for improving WASH service sustainability. Based on this analysis, we propose four recommendations for improving the evidence base including; diversifying methods that explicitly evaluate interconnections between factors within WASH systems, expanding geopolitical applications, improving reporting on resources required to implement given approaches, and enhancing documentation of effects of system approaches on WASH services. Overall, these findings provide a robust survey of the existing landscape of systems approaches for WASH and propose a path for future research in this emerging field.

Keywords: WASH; systems approaches; systematic literature review; grey literature

Supplementary Information

SI 1: PRISMA CHECKLIST

Table S1-1: Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) Checklist

SECTION/TOPIC	#	CHECKLIST ITEM	REPORTED ON PAGE #
TITLE			
Title	1	Identify the report as a systematic review, meta-analysis, or both.	Title
ABSTRACT			
Structured summary	2	Provide a structured summary including, as applicable: background; objectives; data sources; study eligibility criteria, participants, and interventions; study appraisal and synthesis methods; results; limitations; conclusions and implications of key findings; systematic review registration number.	Abstract
INTRODUCTION			
Rationale	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of what is already known.	Introduction
Objectives	4	Provide an explicit statement of questions being addressed with reference to participants, interventions, comparisons, outcomes, and study design (PICOS).	1.1 Study objectives
METHODS			
Protocol and registration	5	Indicate if a review protocol exists, if and where it can be accessed (e.g., Web address), and, if available, provide registration information including registration number.	2. Methods
Eligibility criteria	6	Specify study characteristics (e.g., PICOS, length of follow-up) and report characteristics (e.g., years considered, language, publication status) used as criteria for eligibility, giving rationale.	2.1 Literature ID
Information sources	7	Describe all information sources (e.g., databases with dates of coverage, contact with study authors to identify additional studies) in the search and date last searched.	2.1 Literature ID
Search	8	Present full electronic search strategy for at least one database, including any limits used, such that it could be repeated.	2.1 Table 1, search string formula
Study selection	9	State the process for selecting studies (i.e., screening, eligibility, included in systematic review, and, if applicable, included in the meta-analysis).	2.2 Selection of articles
Data collection process	10	Describe method of data extraction from reports (e.g., piloted forms, independently, in duplicate) and any processes for obtaining and confirming data from investigators.	2.2 Data extraction
Data items	11	List and define all variables for which data were sought (e.g., PICOS, funding sources) and any assumptions and simplifications made.	2.2.1; 2.2.2 Screening criteria
Risk of bias in individual studies	12	Describe methods used for assessing risk of bias of individual studies (including specification of whether this was done at the study or outcome level), and how this information is to be used in any data synthesis.	2.2.2.3 Application

Summary measures	13	State the principal summary measures (e.g., risk ratio, difference in means).	N/A
Synthesis of results	14	Describe the methods of handling data and combining results of studies, if done, including measures of consistency (e.g., I ²) for each meta-analysis.	N/A
Risk of bias across studies	15	Specify any assessment of risk of bias that may affect the cumulative evidence (e.g., publication bias, selective reporting within studies).	Conclusions / Limitations
Additional analyses	16	Describe methods of additional analyses (e.g., sensitivity or subgroup analyses, meta-regression), if done, indicating which were pre-specified.	N/A
RESULTS			
Study selection	17	Give numbers of studies screened, assessed for eligibility, and included in the review, with reasons for exclusions at each stage, ideally with a flow diagram.	3.1 Search Results
Study characteristics	18	For each study, present characteristics for which data were extracted (e.g., study size, PICOS, follow-up period) and provide the citations.	SI Table
Risk of bias within studies	19	Present data on risk of bias of each study and, if available, any outcome level assessment (see item 12).	N/A
Results of individual studies	20	For all outcomes considered (benefits or harms), present, for each study: (a) simple summary data for each intervention group (b) effect estimates and confidence intervals, ideally with a forest plot.	N/A
Synthesis of results	21	Present results of each meta-analysis done, including confidence intervals and measures of consistency.	N/A
Risk of bias across studies	22	Present results of any assessment of risk of bias across studies (see Item 15).	N/A
Additional analysis	23	Give results of additional analyses, if done (e.g., sensitivity or subgroup analyses, meta-regression [see Item 16]).	N/A
DISCUSSION			
Summary of evidence	24	Summarize the main findings including the strength of evidence for each main outcome; consider their relevance to key groups (e.g., healthcare providers, users, and policy makers).	4. Discussion
Limitations	25	Discuss limitations at study and outcome level (e.g., risk of bias), and at review-level (e.g., incomplete retrieval of identified research, reporting bias).	4.4 Limitations
Conclusions	26	Provide a general interpretation of the results in the context of other evidence, and implications for future research.	5. Conclusions
FUNDING			
Funding	27	Describe sources of funding for the systematic review and other support (e.g., supply of data); role of funders for the systematic review.	Funding Statement

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SI 2: SEARCH STRATEGY

Table S2-1: Databases Included in Literature Search

Database Name	Description	Rationale	Database Type	Literature Types	Search Results
ASCE Research Library	Articles from ASCE journals, papers from conference proceedings, and e-books and standards.	Preliminary reviews showed that it contained many sources of complex systems analysis for water and wastewater service delivery.	Organization	Peer-reviewed	821
Carolina Digital Repository	Repository of University of North Carolina publications (student, thesis, etc.).	Includes documents from documents from the Gillings School of Global Public Health at UNC and The Water Institute at UNC, conveners of the Water & Health Conference, one of the largest annual WASH conferences.	Academic Institution	Peer-reviewed Grey Thesis	13
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Library	Database of Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ), German development agency.	One of the larger and most innovative bilateral organizations working in the WASH sector worldwide. Also, open source resource.	Organization	Grey Organizational Open Source	109
DFID	Database of The Department for International Development (DFID), which manages the UK Government's aid programs.	A large funder of WASH projects worldwide and early adopter of systems approaches to development	Organization	Grey Organizational Open Source	1
EBSCO	Provider of 375 full-text databases for e-journals, magazine subscriptions,	One of the largest and most comprehensive databases covering WASH and systems research topics.	Provider	Peer-reviewed	4,129

	ebooks and discovery service for academic libraries, public libraries.				
ELDIS (Int'l development)	Eldis repository of the Institute of Development Studies managed by Knowledge, Impact and Policy team.	Database focused specifically on international development topics, including WASH, with a range of peer-reviewed and grey literature that is open source.	Provider	Grey Peer-reviewed Open Source	151
International Rescue Committee Library	Repository of The International Rescue Committee (IRC), a global humanitarian aid, relief, and development nongovernmental organization.	IRC is a large donor and implementer in the WASH sector, including in systems approaches to WASH.	Organization	Organizational	44
IRC WASH	Library of IRC WASH - formerly the WHO International Reference Center on Community Water Supply (abbreviated as I.R.C.).	Database consists of publications by IRC WASH and others. One of the largest repositories of WASH systems-focused work.	Organization	Organizational	1,357
Loughborough University Institutional Repository	Repository of Loughborough University publications (student, thesis, etc..).	Includes documents from Loughborough's Water, Engineering and Development Centre (WEDC), an innovative WASH research center and convener of a large annual conferences on innovative directions in WASH.	Academic Institution	Peer-reviewed Thesis	27
OECD iLibrary	OECD iLibrary is the online library of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) featuring its books, papers	OECD is a large funder of innovative research and projects in the infrastructure services sector, including water supply and sanitation.	Organization	Grey Organizational	13

PAIS International	<p>and statistics and is the gateway to OECD's analysis and data.</p> <p>International coverage of public affairs, public and social policies, and international relations. It includes two databases, PAIS International and PAIS Archive.</p>	<p>Provider of peer-reviewed-reviewed and grey literature from countries outside of North America and Europe, focused on international topics, including WASH.</p>	Provider	Peer-reviewed Grey	518
ProQuest Dissertations and Theses	ProQuest for Dissertations	<p>Used to specifically search for dissertations on WASH systems topics which may have not been disseminated through peer-reviewed reviewed or grey sources.</p>	Provider	Thesis	376
SciELO	<p>SciELO is a bibliographic database, digital library, and cooperative electronic publishing model of open access journals. Primarily with non-English publications</p> <p>Library, project database and discussion forum for the Sustainable Sanitation Alliance, an informal network of people and organizations</p>	<p>Large database representing non-English language publications, including non-WASH topics, which may not appear in other journals or databases.</p>	Provider	Peer-reviewed	244
SuSanA	<p>Library, project database and discussion forum for the Sustainable Sanitation Alliance, an informal network of people and organizations</p>	<p>Organizational and grey literature specifically focused on emerging sanitation topics, both from the SuSanA and its members.</p>	Organization	Grey Organizational	46
University of South Florida Repository	<p>Repository of USF publications (student, thesis, etc..).</p>	<p>USF is home to the International Development Engineering Program, a teaching and research center focused on new directions and approaches to international development.</p>	Academic Institution	Peer-reviewed Thesis	24

Water and Sanitation Program (WSP) Library	A multi-donor partnership, part of the World Bank Group's Water Global Practice focused on water and sanitation. A global, multi-stakeholder membership and partnership organization that works with poor people, organizations, governments and local entrepreneurs to improve sanitation and hygiene at scale.	Leading producer of research and practice in water and sanitation topics. Early adopter of systems discourses in WASH.	Organization	Peer-reviewed Grey Organizational	105
Water Supply & Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC) Resources	to improve sanitation and hygiene at scale.	Similar to WSP, a large producer of research and practice documentation for WASH, including innovative approaches to service delivery.	Organization	Grey	35
Web of Science	Premier multidisciplinary index covering the journal literature of the sciences.	Focus on multidisciplinary research on WASH topics to augment engineering- and public health-focused databases included in the literature review	Provider	Peer-reviewed	379
World Bank eLibrary	Collection of World Bank publications since the 1990s.	World Bank is one of the largest legacy funders of WASH projects worldwide. This database contains all project reports and evaluations on WASH projects from the bank that have been made public.	Organization	Organizational	670

Table S2-2: WASH and Systems Keywords and Search String Formula

WASH Keywords	Systems Keywords	Search String
drinking water	actors	"drinking water" OR "hand washing" OR "hygiene" OR "latrine" OR "sanitation" OR "toilet" OR "WASH" OR "water access" OR "water management" OR "water quality" OR "water resource" OR "water service" OR "water source" OR "water supply" OR "water use" OR AND "actors" OR "adapt" OR "alliance" OR "approach" OR "coalition" OR "complex" OR "connect" OR "dynamics" OR "emergent" OR "factors" OR "feedback" OR "holistic" OR "inter" OR "network" OR "scenario" OR "social" OR "stakeholder" OR "system" OR adapt* OR complex* OR connect* OR dynam* OR inter* OR system* OR
hand washing	adapt	
hygiene	alliance	
latrine	approach	
sanitation	coalition	
toilet	complex	
WASH	connect	
water access	dynamics	
water management	emergent	
water quality	factors	
water resource	feedback	
water service	holistic	
water source	inter	
water supply	network	
water use	scenario	
	social	
	stakeholder	
	system	

Table S2-3: Initial Screening Exclusion Terms and Criteria

Exclusion Term	Exclusion Criteria
Non-WASH	Study is not applicable to any aspect of the Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Sector.
Water Treatment	Study of water treatment or water quality including processes, technologies, or microbiology (e.g. evaluation of a ceramic filter design for use in rural communities).
Wastewater Treatment	Study of wastewater treatment or water quality including processes, technologies, or microbiology (e.g. evaluation of an eco-san toilet design).
Hydrology	Study of physical hydrology of water resources including drinking water, wastewater and non-consumption water.
Water Resource Management	Study related to the management of water, land and other natural resources for non-consumptive use including irrigation, stream by flows or hydropower.
Public Health (WASH)	Study focused on public health impacts of a WASH program / intervention but does not investigate multiple factors or attributes of that impact.
Meta-Analysis	Study represented reviews or a meta-analysis of existing literature on a WASH topic. Full text documents for references labeled as meta-analysis were obtained and searched for additional studies which may meet eligibility criteria.
Non-Systems	Study is related to an aspect of WASH but does not describe an analysis or process that investigates two or more aspects, factors or attributes of the WASH context. (i.e. post-project report evaluating the effectiveness of a sanitation intervention program, cost-effectiveness analysis).
Descriptive Statistics	A study which analyzes the correlations between multiple variables against a chosen WASH outcome, but which is decidedly not 'systematic' in nature

SI 3: WORKSHEET AND CODING FORM

Table S3-1: Coding Form

Attribute	Descriptors	Evaluation Criteria
Methodology	Method ²	Stated name of method of analysis or approach employed by the study (open response) and open-coding of methodologies
	Analytical Complexity ¹	<u>Low</u> - Non-computational tasks can be completed without specialized knowledge or training <u>Medium</u> - Some specific knowledge or training is required to complete computational tasks <u>High</u> - Process requires a high level of specialized knowledge or training to conduct the analysis
	Interactions ¹	Does the method explicitly consider interactions among factors? (<u>Yes</u> / <u>No</u>)
	Sources of data ²	Open coding of source of data for the study (e.g. surveys, interviews, focus groups, observations, etc.)
	Factors ²	Open coding of factors included in the study and count (e.g. finance, hardware, regulations)
	Method Application ¹	<u>Analysis</u> – Application of an established analytical method, presented without a broader theory on how it should be applied, or steps for applying it (e.g. system dynamics modeling of rural water functionality) <u>Tool</u> – A discrete, standalone activity or analysis presented with sufficient detail to be readily replicated; or, an analytical program or software (e.g. asset management tool for water utilities) <u>Framework</u> – A guiding outline of activities, analyses or procedures for applying the method (e.g. Sanitation Cityscape Conceptual Framework) <u>Approach</u> – A theoretical or conceptual construct, without discrete steps for implementation of the method (e.g. Livelihoods Approach)
Scope	Aspects of WASH ¹	<u>Water</u> , <u>Sanitation</u> and/or <u>Hygiene</u>
	Outcome Scope ²	Emergent coding of study outcomes or dependent variable (e.g. behavior change, service sustainability)
	Context ¹	<u>Rural</u> / <u>Urban</u> <u>Local (incl community)</u> , <u>City</u> , <u>Regional (incl District)</u> , <u>National</u> , <u>Sector</u>
Application	Project Application ¹	Assessment of what stage, if any, the study was implemented in relation to a WASH infrastructure or services project: <u>Planning</u> – Used to plan future WASH service delivery project; <u>Implementation</u> – Method used to guide the implementation of a WASH project <u>Evaluation</u> – Post-project assessment of outcomes <u>Case Study</u> – Standalone analysis of a specific case(s), not related to a WASH project <u>None</u> – No project application conducted

	Location¹	<u>Name</u> and <u>count</u> of geographic locations where study was applied
	Reporting of Impacts²	Stated outcomes or effects on WASH services that occurred as a result of the application of the study (if any)

Secondary Screening Criteria Coding Form including Attributes, Descriptors and Evaluation Criteria. Notes: 1: a-priori, deductive criteria; 2: open or emergent criteria

Table S13-2: Literature Search Worksheet

Document ID	Database	Document Information				Method								Scope				Application				Resources			
		Title	Author(s)	Date	Publication	Document Type	Open Access	Method Analysis	Analytical Complexity	Interaction Analysis	Data Source Analysis	Factors	Method Application	Aspects of WASH	Rural / Urban	Context	Outcome Scope	Project Application	Location	Location Region	Location Count	Study Impacts	Time	Human Resources	Cost
2	Hand Search	Understanding handpump sustainability: Determinants of Rural water source functionality in the Greater Afram Plains region of Ghana	M. Fisher, K. Shields, T. Chan, E. Christenson, R. Cronk, H. Lekez, D. Samani, P. Apoya, A. Lutz, J. Barram	2015	Water Resources Research	Peer	X	Bayesian Networks	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Social Financial Technical Environmental Context	Analysis	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Greater Afram Plains region of Ghana	West Africa	1				
5	Hand Search	Assessment of Rural Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Interventions in Rwanda	M. Malik, L. Karangwa, A. Muziza, J. Sano, J.M. Rutaganda, G. Musabyimana	2016	RWSN	Peer	X	Composite Scoring	High	No	Surveys Interviews Secondary Data	Institutional Social Financial Technical	Tool	WASH	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Rural Rwanda	East Africa	1	4 months		\$85,000	
6	Hand Search	Against the Current: How to Shape an Enabling Environment for Sustainable Water Service Delivery in Nigeria	H. Hima, C. Santibanez, H. Kida, K. Ban	2015	Global Delivery Initiative	Grey	X	Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Interviews Secondary Data Primary Data Observation Focus Groups	Governance Institutional Capacity Services Social Financial Political Coordination	Analysis	Water	Rural Urban	Regional National Sector	Sustainability	Evaluation	Nigeria	West Africa	1				
7	Hand Search	Rural Water Supply and Sanitation in Developing Countries	S. Bhattarai and M. Starkle	2005	International Symposium on the Analytic Hierarchy Process	Peer	X	AHP Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis	Medium	No	Secondary data Primary Data Surveys Expert Opinion	Institutional Social Environmental Financial Technical	Analysis	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local Regional	Sustainability	Planning	Nepal	South Asia	1				
8	Hand Search	Analytical Hierarchy Process for Rural Micro Project Sustainability Monitoring in Nepal	S. Bhattarai and B. Adhikari	2005	International Symposium on the Analytic Hierarchy Process	Peer	X	AHP Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis	Medium	No	Expert Opinion Interviews Focus Groups Observation	Technical Institutional Social Environmental Financial Behavioral	Tool	Water Sanitation Hygiene	Rural Urban	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation	13 districts of Nepal (4 rural, 9 hill and 3 urban projects)	South Asia	13				
9	Hand Search	Building environments to support sustainability of improved sanitation behaviors at scale: levers of change in East Asia	N. Mukherjee	2016	Practical Action	Grey	X	Framework Theory of Change	High	No	Secondary Data	Institutional Financial Capacity Social Monitoring	Framework	Sanitation	Rural	National Sector	Sustainability	Case Study	Lao Vietnam Indonesia	South Asia	3				
10	Hand Search	Going beyond mason training: enabling, facilitating, and engaging Rural sanitation markets for the base of the pyramid	J. Dumpert and E. Perez	2015	Waterlines	Peer		Market Based-Approach Framework	Low	No	Secondary Data	Policy Social Infrastructure Financial Coordination Capacity Monitoring Private Sector	Framework	Sanitation	Rural	National Sector	Sustainability	Evaluation	Cambodia Indonesia Lao Philippines Vietnam Peru Ethiopia Kenya Tanzania Uganda Bangladesh India Pakistan	South Asia Southeast Asia East Africa Central Asia	22				
14	Hand Search	Using Causal Loop Diagramming to Explore the Drivers of the Sustained Functionality of Rural Water Services in Timor-Leste	K. Neely and J. Walters	2016	Sustainability Journal	Peer	X	System Dynamics Causal Loop Diagramming	High	Yes	Surveys Interviews Observation Expert opinion	Donors NGOs Technical OAM Financial Social	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	Timor-Leste	Southeast Asia	1				
15	Hand Search	A Framework to Assess Sustainability of Community-based Water Projects Using Multi-Criteria Analysis	K. Panthi and S. Bhattarai	2008	First International Conference on Construction In Developing Countries (ICCID-1)	Peer	X	AHP Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis	Medium	No	Observation Focus Groups Interviews Primary Data	Technical Environmental Social Institutional Financial	Tool Framework	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	16 communities in Nepal	South Asia	1				
19	Hand Search	A planning-oriented sustainability assessment framework (POSAF) for peri-urban water management in developing countries	N. Starkl, M. Brunner, E. Lopez, J. Martinez-Ruiz	2013	Water Research	Peer		Framework Social Network Analysis Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis AHP Statistics	High	No	Focus Groups Interviews Surveys	Technical Economic Networks Environmental Institutional Financial Urban	Tool Framework	Water	Urban	City	Sustainability	Planning	Xochmilco, Mexico	Central America	1	Coordination			
21	Hand Search	Management of Rural water services in Nicaragua: a systemic approach to evaluating stakeholder alignment	J. Walters and A. Javernick-Will	2015	International Journal of Sustainable Development & World Ecology	Peer		Qualitative Data Analysis Social Network Analysis System Dynamics	High	Yes	Focus Groups	Technical Management Community Social Governance Technical Environmental Functionality Financial Coordination	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	Terrabona, Nicaragua	Central America	1	Stakeholder Focus group sessions lasting between 2 and 3 hours			
22	Hand Search	Long-Term Functionality of Rural Water Services in Developing Countries: A System Dynamics Approach to Understanding the Dynamic Interaction of Factors	J. Walters and A. Javernick-Will	2015	Environmental Science & Technology	Peer		System Dynamics	High	Yes	Secondary Data Expert Opinion	Functionality Governance Financial Technical Environmental Energy Community Management	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study							
23	Hand Search	Exploring the use of social network analysis to inform exit strategies for rural water and sanitation NGOs	J. Walters	2016	Engineering Project Organization Journal	Peer		Social Network Analysis	High	Yes	Interviews Surveys	Coordination NGOs Networks Technical Functionality	Analysis	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	Dario, Nicaragua	Central America	1				
25	Hand Search	Planning Rural water services in Nicaragua: A systems-based analysis of impact factors using graphical modeling	J. Walters and P. Chirnowsky	2016	Environmental Science & Policy	Peer		Graphic Modeling Statistics Network Analysis	High	Yes	Interviews Observation Primary Data	Governance Community Management Financial Technical Environmental Energy Functionality	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Access	Case Study	Rural communities in Dario, and Terrabona in Nicaragua	Central America	1				
27	Hand Search	Rethinking Sustainability, Scaling Up, and Enabling Environment: A Framework for Their Implementation in Drinking Water Supply	U. Arjad, E. Ojomo, K. Downs, R. Cronk, J. Barram	2015	Water	Peer	X	Framework	Low	No	Secondary Data	Implementation Functionality	Analysis	Water	Rural Urban	Local	Sustainability	Case Study							

Document Information										Method				Scope					Application				Resources			
Document ID	Database	Title	Author(s)	Date	Publication	Document Type	Open Access	Method Analysis	Analytical Complexity	Interaction Analysis	Data Source Analysis	Factors	Method Application	Aspects of WASH	Rural / Urban	Context	Outcome Scope	Project Application	Location	Location Region	Location Count	Study Impacts	Time	Human Resources	Cost	
32	Hand Search	Whole system change: capturing the change process in the Ghana Rural water sub-sector	H. Lockwood and V. Duff	2015	IRC WASH	Org	X	Collective Impact Whole Systems Approach Service Delivery Approach	Low	No	Primary Data Secondary Data Focus Groups	Institutional Financial Coordination Governance Regulations	Approach Framework	Water	Rural	Local National Sector	Sustainability	Planning Implementing Evaluation	Ghana	West Africa	1	Policy Services		The long time frame – at least six years and potentially up to ten years	The backbone support was provided by a mix of IRC staff assigned to the project and Triple-S project staff hired specifically for the project and hosted by CWASA. A much larger number of people also provided support to the project on a part-time basis, including both Ghana-	From 2009 to the end of May 2013 the total costs of running Triple-S in Ghana for IRC have been US\$ 3,469,924. This price tag includes all international staff support, but does not include other investments made by IRC Ghana through activities under WASHCost and the Tripartite Partnership.
37	Hand Search	A qualitative comparative analysis of well-managed school sanitation in Bangladesh	C. Chatterley, A. Javemmil-Will, K. Linden, K. Alam, L. Botinelli, M. Venkatesh	2013	BioMed Central	Peer	X	GCA Qualitative	High	No	Interviews Focus Groups Observation	Services Technical Community Governance User Commitment	Analysis	Sanitation	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	16 case schools in Meherpur, Bangladesh	South Asia	1					
41	Hand Search	Community Assessment Model for Sustainable Municipal Sanitation Services in low income communities	G. Louis and M. Bouabid	2004	International Council on Systems Engineering	Peer		Framework Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Expert Opinion Secondary Data	Institutional Capacity Economic Financial Energy Environmental Cultural	Tool	Sanitation		Local	Sustainability	Evaluation								
42	Hand Search	A decision model for selecting sustainable drinking water supply and greywater reuse systems for developing communities with a case study in Cimahi, Indonesia	J. Henriques and G. Louis	2010	Journal of Environmental Management	Peer	X	Composite Scoring	High	Yes	Interviews Secondary Data Observation	Functionality Institutional Capacity Technical Economic Financial Energy Environmental Social Cultural	Tool	Water	Urban	Local	Sustainability	Planning Case Study	Cimahi, Indonesia	Southeast Asia	1					
43	Hand Search	Introducing SanFOAM: A Framework to Analyse Sanitation Behaviors to Design Effective Sanitation Programs	J. Devine	2009	World Bank	Grey	X	Framework	Medium	No	Secondary Data	Technical Financial Behavioral Regulations Social	Approach Framework	Sanitation	Rural Urban	Local City	Sustainability	Planning Implementation	Tanzania (10 districts), Indonesia (East Java), and India (in two states—Madhya Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh)	East Africa South Asia Southeast Asia	3					
44	Hand Search	A Suite of Tools to Support a Systems-Based Approach to Sustainable Management of Water Service Delivery	K. Lemme, K. Latham, K. Kugler	2016	Water For People	Org	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Interviews Primary data Secondary Data	Services Institutional Financial Environmental Management O&M Monitoring	Tool Framework	Water	Rural Urban	Regional	Sustainability	Implementation Evaluation Case Study	Applied in 30 districts in 5 countries. Results presented from: Kamwenge District, Uganda Pragasas District, India (District name), Peru (rural district), Malawi Sagor Island, India Ruitido, Rwanda San Rafael del Norte, Nicaragua El Negrito, Honduras	East Africa South Asia Central America South America	30	Financial				
47	Hand Search	Synthesis of Four Country Enabling Environment Assessments for Scaling Up Handwashing Programs	F. Rosenweig	2008	World Bank	Grey	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Expert Opinions Observations Secondary Data	Policy Coordination Institutional Capacity Technical Financial Implementation Monitoring	Tool	Sanitation Hygiene	Rural	National	Behavior Change	Planning Implementation Evaluation	Peru Senegal Tanzania Vietnam	South America West Africa East Africa Southeast Asia	4	Behavior Change Uptake				
50	Hand Search	Governance into Functionality (GIFT) Tool	R. Ogden	2013	CARE	Grey	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Local Expert Opinion	Governance Financial Management Users Functionality	Tool	Water Sanitation		Local	Sustainability	Evaluation						3-10 community members		
52	Hand Search	Methodology for Participatory Assessment (MPA)	R. Dayal, C. van Wijk, N. Mukherjee	2000	WSP, IRC WASH	Org	X	Framework Statistics Participatory Composite Scoring	High	No	Surveys Interviews Observation Primary Data Secondary Data	Gender Technical Social Hygiene Participation Institutional Social Community Policy	Approach Tool Framework	Water Sanitation		Local	Sustainability	Planning Evaluation	Eighteen assessments across 18 communities in 15 countries, (no mention of locations)	(no mention of locations in report)	18					
53	Hand Search	A model for assessing sustainability A web-based decision support system for predicting and evaluating sustainability (Toppes)	S. Takougan and J. Weeth	2016	Arma Journal	Peer	X	Composite Scoring Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis	Medium	No	Expert Opinion	Socioeconomic Services Environmental Technical Financial O&M Institutional	Tool Framework	Water	Rural	Local Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Greater Aham Plains region of Ghana	West Africa	1					
54	Hand Search	The SIASAR Initiative: An Information System for More Sustainable Rural Water and Sanitation Services	L. Pena, D. Michaud, J. Blau	2013	World Bank	Grey	X	SIASAR Composite Scoring	Low	No	Observation Primary Data Interviews Expert Opinion	Access Management Functionality Hygiene Health Financial O&M	Tool	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Nicaragua Panama Honduras	Central America	3					

56	Hand Search	Addressing WaSH challenges in Pacific Island Countries: A participatory marketing systems mapping approach to empower informal settlement community action	S. Saunders, O. Barrington, S. Sridharan, S. Meo, W. Hadwen, K. Shields, R. Souler, J. Bartram	2016	Habitat International	Peer	X	Participatory Systems Mapping	Low	No	Interviews Observation	Technical Context Networks Private Sector Socioeconomic User Committees	Tool	Water Sanitation	Urban	Local	Access	Case Study	Suva City, Fiji	Oceania	1	chairman of the informal settlement invited the research team to visit the community over a two-week period to specifically undertake the systems mapping activities.	Two-person research team
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57	Hand Search	Water and Sanitation Hygiene Bottleneck Analysis Tool (WASH BAT 2.0) User Manual	UNICEF (Uncredited)	2016	WASH BAT	Grey	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Local Expert Opinion	Regulations Financial Private Sector O&M Social Environmental	Tool Framework	WASH	Rural Urban	National	Sustainability Access	Evaluation Planning								
59	Hand Search	Assessing Women's Negative Sanitation Experiences and Concerns: The Development of a Novel Sanitation Insecurity Measure	B. Caruso, T. Clasen, K. Youn, H. Cooper, C. Harley, R. Haardörfer	2017	International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health	Peer	X	Framework Scarcity	High	Yes	Interviews Focus Groups Surveys	Social Technical Community Behavioral	Tool	Sanitation	Rural	Local	Access	Case Study	Puri district, Odisha, India	South Asia	1					
60	Hand Search	WASH Sustainability Index Tool (SIT) Comparative Analysis	J. Annis and L. Moreland	2015	WASH Plus	Org	X	Composite Scoring	High	No	Interviews Focus Groups Secondary Data	Institutional Management Financial Environmental Technical	Tool	WASH	Rural Urban	National	Sustainability	Evaluation	Burkina Faso Dominican Republic Ethiopia Ghana Kenya Liberia Niger Philippines Tanzania	East Africa Caribbean West Africa Southeast Asia	9	Uptake	2-6 Months	\$15-150k Avg - \$50k / country		
63	Hand Search	Sanitation Monitoring Toolkit	UNICEF (Uncredited)	2014	UNICEF	Org	X	Composite Scoring Framework	Medium	No	Secondary Data Expert Opinion Interviews	Financial Policy Planning Social O&M Institutional Private Sector Coordination	Tool Framework	Sanitation	Rural	Local Regional National	Access Sustainability	Evaluation								
64	Hand Search	Modeling the Complexities of Water, Hygiene, and Health in Limpopo Province, South Africa	J. Mellor, J. Smith, G. Leamonth, V. Ntshandama, R. Dillingha	2012	Environmental Science & Technology	Peer	X	System Dynamics	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Environmental Technical Technical	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Health	Case Study	(2) communities in South Africa	South Asia	2					
65	Hand Search	Developing A Systems Understanding of Rural Water Supply in Timor-Leste	K. Neely and J. Walters	2015	Deakin University	Peer	X	Social Network Analysis Causal Loop Diagramming	High	Yes	Interviews Observation Focus Groups	Community Networks Management NGOs Coordination Social Economic Environmental O&M	Analysis Approach	Water	Rural	Local	Access Sustainability	Case Study	(5) Rural villages Timor-Leste	Southeast Asia	5					
66	Hand Search	A systems approach to sustainable water operation & maintenance in Uganda	N. Mary	2016	RWSN	Peer	X	Market-Based approach	Low	Yes		Private Sector Governance Regulations User Committees	Tool	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Planning Evaluation	Bughi and Namayingo districts, Uganda	East Africa	2	Services				
70	Hand Search	Decision-making on shared sanitation in the informal settlements of Kisumu, Kenya	S. Srinivasa, M. Swilling, S. Cairncross	2017	International Journal of Environmental Health Research	Peer		Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Interviews	Financial Services O&M Socioeconomic	Analysis	Sanitation	Urban	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	Kisumu (informal settlements) Kenya	East Africa	1					
72	Hand Search	Tipping Points in Community-Based Management	G. Guerrero	2016	TU Delft	Peer	X	System Dynamics Causal Loop Diagramming	High	Yes	Interviews Secondary Data	Policy Management Community Financial Environmental Access	Tool	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Kabarole, Uganda	East Africa	1					
73	Hand Search	Implementing sustainable water and sanitation projects in Rural, developing communities	R. Barnes, N. Ashbolt, D. Roser, P. Brown	2014	Waterlines	Peer	X	Qualitative Data Analysis	Medium	No	Interviews	Community Planning Social Implementation Technical Governance	Analysis	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study								
74	Hand Search	The Role of Learning in Water Supply Systems: Analyzing the Spread of Policies in Rural Uganda using Memetics	F. Krijpschild	2016	TU Delft	Peer	X	System Dynamics Agent Based Modeling	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Capacity Financial Functionality Coordination Education Technical O&M	Tool	Water	Rural	Regional National	Sustainability	Case Study	Uganda	East Africa	1					
77	Hand Search	Revealing causal pathways to sustainable water service delivery using fsQCA	K. Gasparro and J. Walters	2017	Journal of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene for Development	Peer		Qualitative Comparative Analysis	High	No	Secondary Data Interviews	Community Technical User Committees Financial Coordination Education	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	20 projects implemented by EWB across multiple countries			26				
78	Hand Search	Improving the financial and economic analysis of sanitation systems	J. Parkinson and S. Blume	2010	IRC WASH Symposium 2010: Pumps, Pipes and Promises	Org	X	Financial Analysis	Low	No	Secondary Data	Technical Agriculture Financial Health Implementation Environmental Economic	Analysis	Sanitation		Local	Sustainability	Planning Case Study	Uganda South Africa Burkina Faso	East Africa South Africa West Africa	3					
80	Hand Search	Towards systemic change in urban sanitation	G. Galli, C. Notohomb, E. Baerings	2014	IRC WASH	Org	X	Whole Systems Approach Service Delivery Approach S&M Flow Diagrams Theory of Change	Medium	No	Focus groups Interviews Primary data Secondary data	Financial Institutional Environmental Technical Social	Approach Framework	Sanitation	Urban	Local Regional National	Sustainability	Planning Implementing	Ghana Uganda	West Africa East Africa	2	Users Services				
81	Hand Search	The Triple-S Theory of Change	T. Schouten and P. Moriarty	2013	IRC WASH	Org	X	Framework Service Delivery Approach Theory of Change	Low	No	Secondary Data	Political Coordination Institutional Monitoring Capacity Policy Financial Planning	Approach	Water	Rural	Local Regional National Sector	Sustainability	Planning Implementing	Ghana Uganda Mozambique Burkina Faso	East Africa West Africa	4					
82	Hand Search	Systems Approach to Climate, Water, and Diarrhea in Haldi-Dharaed, India	J. Mellor, E. Kumpel, A. Ercumen, J. Zimmerman	2016	Environmental Science & Technology	Peer		Agent Based Modeling	High	Yes	Primary data Secondary data	Climate Technical Environmental Health Services	Tool Framework	Water	Urban	City	Health	Case Study	Haldi-Dharaed in Karnataka, India	South Asia	1					

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83	Hand Search	Consolidation, Improvement and Expansion of the Rural Water and Sanitation Information System (SIASAR)	A. Serrano, C. Fenwick, D. Sobel, G. Crespo, M. Gonzalez, C. Borja-Noya	2017	World Bank	Grey	X	SIASAR Composite Scoring Framework	Low	No	Surveys	Services Technical Regulations O&M Financial Access Hygiene Capacity Institutional	Tool Framework	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local Regional National	Sustainability	Planning Implementing Evaluation	Honduras Nicaragua Panama Dominican Republic Costa Rica Oaxaca (Mexico) Peru Bolivia Colombia Paraguay	Central America South America	10	Uptake	Without improved drinking water supply or service provider With improved drinking water supply and service provider 4 – 8 weeks according to complexity and distance to source Technical assistance provider 1	The total estimated cost of the SIASAR regional initiative from FY14 to date is US\$2.69 million, 39% of which the Bank provided approximately US\$1.93 million from Trust Fund (TF)40 resources.41. Recurring costs for activities such as the General Assembly (average cost)	
84	Hand Search	Sustainable Services Checklist	Water For People (Uncredited)	2018	Water For People	Org		Composite Scoring	Low	No	Interviews Secondary Data	Institutional Financial Management Monitoring O&M Environmental	Tool	Water Sanitation	Rural Urban	Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Atari, Bolivia Achieto, Bolivia Cochumulla, Bolivia Pocora, Bolivia San Benito, Bolivia San Pedro, Bolivia Tiraque, Bolivia Villa Rivero, Bolivia San Andres Sajcabaja, Guatemala San Antonio Itzernango, Guatemala San Bartolome, Guatemala Santa Cruz del Quiché, Guatemala Chinda, Honduras El Negrito, Honduras San Antonio, Honduras La Concordia, Nicaragua San Rafael del Norte, Nicaragua Asuncion_Peru Cascar, Peru	South America Central America East Africa South Asia	26		TIMELINE There is pre-work, interview, and post-work to complete the SSC Timing Activity At least 2 weeks before the interview Country Program staff should share relevant background information with the interviewer. Background information could include	TIMELINE There is pre-work, interview, and post-work to complete the SSC. Timing Activity At least 2 weeks before the interview Country Program staff should share relevant background information with the interviewer. Background information could include	
85	Hand Search	Priority Addressment Protocol: Understanding the Ability and Potential of Sanitation Systems to Address Priorities	A. Davis, A. Javernick-Will, S. Cook	2019	Environmental Science & Technology	Peer		Framework AHP	High	No	Interviews Focus Groups Primary Data	O&M Technical Social Financial Community	Framework	Sanitation	Urban	City	Sustainability	Evaluation	20 slum communities in India	South Asia	1				
86	Hand Search	DWA Sustainability Monitoring Framework - The Guide	Dutch Water Alliance, IRC (Uncredited)	2014	Dutch Water Alliance	Org	X	Composite Scoring	Low	No	Surveys Focus Groups Secondary Data	Institutional Environmental Technical Social	Tool	WASH	Rural	Local Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Uganda Ghana	East Africa	2				
88	Hand Search	Characteristics of Stakeholder Networks Supporting Local Government Performance Improvements in Rural Water Supply: Cases from Ghana, Malawi, and Bolivia	D. McNicholl, A. McRobie, H. Crundickbank	2017	Water Alternatives	Peer		Social Network Analysis	High	Yes	Interviews	Networks Institutional Governance Coordination	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local Regional	Coordination	Case Study	(7) local governments in (2) Ghana (2) Malawi (3) Bolivia	South America East Africa West Africa	7				
89	Hand Search	An evaluative framework for urban WASH sector functionality	S. Drabble, R. Renoug, J. Stokes	2018	Water and Sanitation for the Urban Poor	Org	X	Composite Scoring	Low	No	Workshop Surveys	Monitoring Coordination Regulations Financial Capacity Private Sector Policy	Framework Tool	WASH	Urban	National Sector	Policy	Evaluation Planning	Bangladesh Ghana Kenya Madagascar Mozambique Zambia	South Asia West Africa East Africa	6	Coordination Policy	Two-day long workshop		
90	Hand Search	The use of qualitative comparative analysis to identify pathways to successful and failed sanitation systems	A. Davis, A. Javernick-Will, S. Cook	2019	Science of the Total Environment	Peer		Qualitative Comparative Analysis	High	Yes	Interviews Observations Primary Data	Behavioral Education O&M Community Infrastructure Governance Planning Financial	Analysis	Sanitation	Urban	Local	Functionality	Case Study	20 communities (i.e. cases) in Karnataka or Tamil Nadu, India were selected to ensure variability between outcomes and factors (i.e., causal conditions)	South Asia	20				
91	Hand Search	Building strong WASH systems for the SDGs: Understanding the WASH system and its building blocks	A. Huston and P. Moriarty	2018	IRC WASH	Org	X	Building Blocks	Low	Yes	Expert Opinion Secondary Data	Policy Institutional Infrastructure Monitoring Regulations Environmental Governance Planning Education Health Management	Tool Framework	WASH	Rural Urban	Local Regional National Sector	Sustainability	Evaluation Planning							
92	Hand Search	Sustainability Framework	R. Carter, V. Casey, E. Harvey	2011	WaterAid	Org	X	Framework	Low	No	Primary Data Expert Opinion	Access Infrastructure Financial Implementation Monitoring Environmental Management Dollars	Framework	WASH	Rural Urban	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation Planning							
93	Hand Search	Sustainability Snapshot Indicator Equity in Distribution Indicator	S. Sugden	2003	WaterAid	Org	X	Framework	Low	No	Primary Data Surveys Observations	Financial Technical O&M Infrastructure Access	Tool	Water	Rural	Local Regional	Sustainability	Planning Implementation	Malawi	East Africa	1	Uptake			

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94	Hand Search	Technology Applicability Framework (TAF) - Research Report	A. Olschewski and V. Casey	2013	Shell Foundation WaterAID	Org	X	Framework	Low	No	Primary Data Secondary Data Workshop Interviews Focus Groups	Financial Social Environmental Institutional Policy Technical Capacity Education	Tool Approach	Water Sanitation Hygiene	Rural Urban	Regional	Sustainability Access	Planning Implementation Evaluation	Burkina Faso Ghana Uganda	East Africa West Africa	3	Uptake		Based on the experiences in three rounds of testing, it can be assumed that the application of the TAF requires around 3 days of preparation and 3 days for applying the TAF in the field.	The TAF is a cost efficient tool. The costs for applying the TAF are estimated around US\$ 3,000 per assessment of one technology in one district. A detailed breakdown of the costs for applying the TAF is presented in the Annex D of the TAF.
95	Hand Search	Adapting Life-Cycle Thinking Tools to Evaluate Project Sustainability in International Water and Sanitation Development Work	J. McConville and J. Mheleic	2007	Environmental Engineering Science	Peer	X	LifeCycle Analysis Composite Scoring Framework	Medium	No	Observation Survey Primary Data	Social Cultural Community Political Economic Environmental	Tool Framework	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Planning Evaluation	Zimbougou-Fouta, Mali	West Africa	1				
96	Hand Search	Water and Sanitation Accountability Forum: Organizational Operational COCEPRADIL	F. Rojas and C. Chatterley	2011	Improve International	Grey	X	Framework Qualitative Data Analysis	Medium	No	Secondary Data Focus Groups Observation Interviews Surveys	NGOs Coordination Services Education Hygiene Technical QM Environmental Community Management	Framework Approach	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation Case Study	Lempira, Honduras	Central America	1		For this pilot Accountability Forum, a week was given for preparation meetings, data collection and wrap-up. Though a week is not a substantial amount of time for a field-based study, independent evaluators and Forum participants felt that this was sufficient time to respond to the main	Based on the pilot test to estimate that ratings using the Water for Life framework will cost between US\$ 15,000-30,000 per evaluation and require one week of field data collection and three to five months lead including preparation and reporting. (Table S Summary)	
97	Hand Search	Thousands of handpumps have been installed across sub-Saharan Africa over the past four decades to improve rural water supplies. However, multiple studies have raised concerns over the extent to which these sources are providing safe and adequate quantities of water post-construction. A number of factors could be causing these problems, either directly or indirectly. Understanding the interrelated nature of these factors and their inherent complexity is crucial if handpump failures are to be avoided in the future. This chapter demonstrates how some of this complexity can be	Elisabeth S. Liddle and Richard A. Fenner	2019	Systems Thinking in WASH	Grey		Causal Loop Diagrams	Medium	Yes	Interviews Expert Opinion	Technical QM Capacity Environmental Services Institutional Financial Coordination	Framework Tool	Water	Rural	Local	Access Sustainability	Evaluation	Uganda	East Africa	1				
98	Hand Search	WASH services are influenced by complex stakeholder interactions that need to be understood and potentially influenced in order to improve service quality and sustainability. Social network analysis provides an opportunity for mapping and rigorously interpreting these stakeholder interactions in order to develop and monitor strategic interventions. Studies using social network analysis can be scaled to fit the scope of any project, and the visual nature of social networks helps to make findings accessible to a wide range of stakeholders. The chapter presents	Duncan McNicholl	2019	Systems Thinking in WASH	Grey		Social Network Analysis	High	Yes	Interviews	Coordination Institutions NGOs Networks	Tool	Water Sanitation	Rural Urban	Local Regional	Coordination	Planning Evaluating	Ghana Tajikistan Bolivia Uganda	East Africa Central Asia South America West Africa	4				

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100	Hand Search	Contemporary approaches to monitoring and evaluation (M&E) rely on using static indicators to assess a system that is fundamentally in flux. This chapter will look at the challenges of current approaches and provide insights into how to restructure the way we measure our impact on whole systems, rather than just individual processes. This chapter will explain how to adopt a system view of your operating environment, how to map that system to understand its interconnectedness and inherent complexity, and then how to identify the true drivers of the system to allow for the creation of a range of	Chris Brown	2019	Systems Thinking in WASH	Grey		Social Network Analysis Causal Loop Diagrams	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Monitoring Governance Institutional Management O&M	Tool Approach	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Evaluating	Tanzania	East Africa	1				
EBSO AP 1	EBSO	Towards sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene technology use in sub-Saharan Africa: the Learning Alliance approach	S. Taylor, S. Asimah, R. Buamah, K. Nyarko, S. Sekuma, Y. Coulibaly, A. Wozzame, P. Jeffrey, H. Parker	2017	Water Policy	Peer	X	Collective Action	High	No	Interviews	Social Economic Environmental Institutional Technical Users	Approach	WASH	Rural		Access Sustainability	Evaluation	Burkina Faso Ghana Uganda	East Africa West Africa	3		3 years		
EBSO AP 1033	EBSO	A new approach to nationwide sanitation planning for developing countries. Case study of Indonesia.	S. Kerstens, M. Spiller, I. Leusbrock, G. Zeeman	2016	Science of the Total Environment	Peer		Framework GIS	High	Yes	Secondary Data Expert Opinions	Access Economic Financial Technical Infrastructure Policy	Tool Framework	Sanitation	Rural Urban	National	Access	Planning	Indonesia	Southeast Asia	1	Uptake			
EBSO AP 14	EBSO	A novel planning approach for the water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) sector: The use of object-oriented Bayesian networks.	R. Gine-Ganga, D. Requijo, J. Molina, A. Perez-Foguet	2018	ScienceDirect	Peer	X	Bayesian Networks	High	Yes	Secondary Data Expert Opinion	Technical Capacity Financial Socioeconomic Access Functionality Coordination Management O&M	Tool	Water Sanitation Hygiene	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Planning	21 Rural districts in Kenya	East Africa	1				
EBSO AP 1619	EBSO	Assessing poverty-alleviation outcomes of an enterprise-led approach to sanitation.	T. London and H. Esper	2014	Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences	Peer	X	Framework Qualitative Data Analysis Case Study	High	No	Secondary Data Interviews Observations	Access Community Networks Health Hygiene Economic	Analysis	Sanitation	Urban	City	Health	Evaluation Case Study	Nairobi, Kenya	East Africa	1				
EBSO AP 165	EBSO	A Holistic Concept to Design Optimal Water Supply Infrastructures for Informal Settlements Using Remote Sensing Data.	L. Rausch, J. Friesen, L. Atherr, M. Meck, P. Pelz	2018	Remote Sensing	Peer	X	Mathematical optimization Remote sensing	High	Yes	Secondary data	Context Financial Technical	Tool	Water	Urban	Local	Access	Planning	Two slum communities in Dhaka, Bangladesh, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania	East Africa South Asia	1				
EBSO AP 17	EBSO	Drinking Water Supply, Sanitation, and Hygiene Promotion Interventions in Two Slum Communities in Central Uganda.	D. Musoke, R. Ndejo, A. Halage, S. Kasasa, J. Ssempebwa, D. Carpenter	2018	Journal of Environmental & Public Health	Peer	X	Qualitative Data Analysis	Low	No	Survey Primary Data Focus Groups Observations	Community Hygiene Education Social Behavioral Technical Health Capacity	Analysis Approach	Water Sanitation Hygiene	Urban	City	Access Behavior Change	Planning Implementation Evaluation	two urban slum communities in central Uganda: Kikulu zone in Kawempe division, Kampala district; and Kikooza zone in Mukono Municipality,	East Africa	2	Services Behavior Change		The three-year project, which was carried out between 2010 and 2013, had three phases: preparatory, implementation, and evaluation as described below	
EBSO AP 2228	EBSO	Why Do Water and Sanitation Systems for the Poor Still Fail? Policy Analysis in Economically Advanced Developing Countries.	M. Starkl, N. Brunner, T.A. Stenstrom	2013	Environmental Science & Technology	Peer		Case Study Statistics	High	Yes	Primary Data Secondary Data	Context Technical O&M Hygiene Community Social Financial Governance NGOs	Analysis	Water Sanitation	Rural Urban	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	60 case studies across: Mexico South Africa India	Central America South Africa South Asia	60				
EBSO AP 30	EBSO	The role of community participation for sustainable integrated neglected tropical diseases and water, sanitation and hygiene intervention programs: A pilot project in Tanzania.	S. Madon, M. Matecola, K. Mshoto, R. Donohue, G. Mubvizi, E. Michael	2018	ScienceDirect	Peer	X	Qualitative Data Analysis Statistics	High	Yes	Surveys Interviews Focus Groups	Socioeconomic Demographic Education Governance Health Technical	Approach Framework	WASH	Rural	Local	Health	Planning Case Study	Rufiji (as intervention district) and Mkuranga (used as a control) in the Coast (Pwani) Region of Tanzania	East Africa	1	Health			
EBSO AP 324	EBSO	The social benefits of water and sanitation projects in Northern Colombia: Cost-Benefit Analysis, the Water Poverty Index and beyond.	D. Arzqueta, A. Manjaya	2017	Wiley	Peer		Cost-Benefit Analysis Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Surveys Interviews Secondary data	Social Economic Environmental	Tool	Water Sanitation	Rural	Regional	Access	Case Study	Municipality of Moritos, Department of Cesar, in Northern Colombia	South America	1				
EBSO AP 3313	EBSO	A framework for planning of sustainable water and sanitation systems in peri-urban areas.	R. Tornqvist, A. Norstrom, E. Karman, P.A. Malmqvist	2008	Water Science & Technology	Peer		Framework	Medium	No	Primary Data	Health Environmental Economic Technical Social Cultural NGOs Access	Approach	Water Sanitation	City	Sustainability	Planning								
EBSO AP 41	EBSO	Exploring a New Regionalism-Based Approach to Managing Drinking Water Systems in Rural Regions.	S.P. Breen	2018	Society & Natural Resources	Peer		Framework	Medium	Yes	Interviews Secondary Data	Governance Policy Environmental Economic Social	Approach	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Kootenay, British Columbia, Canada	North America	1				
EBSO AP 414	EBSO	Designing a handwashing station for infrastructure-restricted communities in Bangladesh using the integrated behavioral model for water, sanitation and hygiene interventions (BM-WASH)	K. Haland, E. Leoncini, R. Dreibebe, L. Unicom, A. Alroz, N. Datta, D. Nazam, S. Luby, P. Ram, R. Winch	2013	BMC Public Health	Peer	X	Behavioral Model Qualitative Coding	Medium	No	Interviews	Context Behavioral Technical	Framework Tool	Hygiene	Rural Urban	Local	Access	Planning Evaluation	Mohammadpur (Urban) and Kishoreganj (Rural), Bangladesh	South Asia	2				

EBSCO AP 428	EBSCO	Inclusive water poverty index: a holistic approach for helping local water and sanitation services planning.	J. Kiri	2017	Water Policy	Peer		Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Secondary Data Interviews	Environmental Access Management Social Financial	Framework Approach	Water Sanitation	Rural	Regional	Access	Case Study	Nabouri, Sily and To municipalities in Burkina Faso	West Africa	3				
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EBSCO AP 508	EBSCO	A decision support model to aid the management of crises in urban water supply systems (the UWC-MODEL)	W. Da Silva, M. Souza	2017	Urban Water Journal	Peer		Framework	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Demographic Technical Policy Governance Financial Context Climate Socioeconomic	Framework	Water	Urban	Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Administrative Region of Brasilia, Brazil	South America	1				
EBSCO AP 511	EBSCO	Harnessing the plurality of actor frames in social-ecological systems: ecological sanitation in Bolivia	M. Eelderink, J. Vervoort, D. Smet, F.D. Castro	2017	Development in Practice	Peer	X	Statistics	High	No	Interviews Primary Data Observation	Health Environmental Economic O&M Social	Framework	Sanitation	Rural	Local	Access	Evaluation	San Pedro, Bolivia	South America	1				
EBSCO AP 774	EBSCO	Sustainable community-based drinking water systems in developing countries: stakeholder perspectives	M. Aslam, M. Adil, S. Mirza, D.Figon	2016	Journal of Water Supply: Research and Technology	Peer		AHP	High	No	Surveys	Technical Environmental Economic Social Institutional	Analysis	Water	Urban	Local	Coordination	Case Study	Peshawar, Pakistan	South Asia	1				
IRC 1070	IRC	Multiple-use water supply systems: do the claims stack up? Evidence from Bangladesh	M. Fontein, J. Webster, P. Trzask	2010	Waterlines	Peer		Framework	Low	No	Interviews Observations Secondary Data	Functionality Community Financial Institutional O&M Management Capacity	Framework	Water	Rural	Local	Access Sustainability	Case Study Evaluation	Bashubehar, Maghar and Chandikona: Bogra, north-west Bangladesh	South Asia	3	Services Users			
IRC 1073	IRC	Between rural and urban: towards sustainable management of water supply systems in small towns in Africa	P. Moriarty, T. Patrick, T.F. Bassemajour, J. Smet, C. Voorden	2002	IRC WASH	Org	X	Case Study	Medium	Yes	Secondary Data	Context Technical Community Management Governance Institutional Monitoring Regulations Financial Private Sector Political Capacity Policy Donors Environmental Hygiene Planning	Analysis	Water	Rural Urban	City	Access Sustainability	Case Study	Tanzania Sudan Ghana Senegal Benin	West Africa East Africa North Africa	5				
IRC 1075	IRC	Assessing the "Plus" of successful community managed water supply programs in India	M. Shehalatha, S. Smith, S. Jasti, P. Hutchings, R. Poonia, C. Daniel, C. Dash	2015	Australian AID: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)	Grey	X	Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Secondary Data Focus Groups Surveys	Management Capacity Coordination Cultural Economic Donors Financial Governance Technical Implementation Monitoring Planning Political Private Sector Services Regulations	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	20 communities in India	South Asia	20				
IRC 1077	IRC	Norms and attitudes towards ecosan and other sanitation systems: desk study by a group of experts on ecological sanitation	J.-O. Drangert	2004	EcoSanRes Stockholm Environment Institute	Grey	X	Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Expert Opinion Secondary Data Observations Interviews	Technical Regulations Economic Health Cultural Social Behavioral Management O&M Networks	Analysis	Sanitation	Urban	City	Behavior Change	Case Study	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Cuernavaca, Mexico Kisumu, Kenya Dar es Salaam, Tanzania Kabale, Uganda	East Africa Central America	5				
IRC 1089	IRC	Assessing sustainability of community management of rural water systems in the developing world	R. Schweitzer, J. Mihelcic	2012	Journal of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene for Development	Peer		Composite Scoring Statistics	High	No	Primary Data Interviews	Community Users Governance Financial O&M Functionality	Tool	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation	Dominican Republic	Caribbean	1				
IRC 1122	IRC	Open planning of sanitation systems	R. Kvarnström, E. Petersens	2004	EcoSanRes Stockholm Environment Institute	Grey	X	Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis	Low	No	Expert Opinion Secondary Data Focus Groups	Networks Hygiene Environmental Financial Management Technical Social Cultural Institutional O&M Monitoring Policy	Framework Approach	Sanitation	Rural Urban	Local	Sustainability	Planning	Vadstbo, Sweden	North Europe	1				
IRC 1201	IRC	Research into financial and institutional structures to support the functionality and sustainability of rural hill water systems	N.P. Kathmandu	2010	WaterAID	Org	X	Qualitative Data Analysis	Medium	No	Interviews Secondary Data Observations	O&M Social Environmental Financial Functionality Capacity Institutional Monitoring Community Governance	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation	19 villages in 5 districts in Nepal Sarkhuwa, Sabha, Dhading, Baglung, Kaski	South Asia	19				
IRC 122	IRC	Learning alliance approach: final report	J. Nkum	2014	IRC WASH	Org	X	Learning Alliances Qualitative Data Analysis Collective Action	Medium	No	Secondary Data Interviews Focus Groups	Capacity Coordination Financial Implementation Policy Networks NGOs Participation Policy Political	Approach	Water	Rural	Regional National	Coordination Sustainability	Evaluation	Four pilot regions in Ghana: Northern, Brong Ahalo and Volta Three pilot districts in Ghana: Gorja East in the Northern region, Sunyani West in the Brong Ahalo region, and Akatsi in the Volta region	West Africa	7	Coordination Policy			
IRC 1266	IRC	Governance, sustainability and decision making in water and sanitation management systems	M.A. Inbaragaray, L. Seghezze	2012	Sustainability	Peer	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Secondary Data Interviews Observations	Economic Coordination Regulations Participation Implementation Capacity Institutional Behavioral Social Cultural Governance Networks	Tool	Water	Urban	City	Sustainability	Evaluation	Salta, Argentina	South America	1				

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IRC 133	IRC	Scaling up innovations through learning alliances: an introduction to the approach	S. Smits, P. Moriarty, C. Fonseca, T. Schouten	2007	IRC WASH	Org	X	Learning Alliances Collective Action	Medium	Yes	Primary Data Secondary Data Expert Opinion	Capacity Context Coordination Cultural Financial Governance Implementation Institutional Monitoring Networks Participation Planning Policy Political	Approach	WASH	Rural Urban	Local Regional National Sector	Coordination Sustainability	Implementation	Coli, Columbia Egypt Palestine Jordan South Africa	South America Middle East South Africa	5	Uptake Coordination Policy	longer start-up period is needed: one year rather than the usual 3-6 months. This implies a need for advocacy to find funding for more enlightened approaches than conventional linear projects, and to take into account the quality of processes rather than purely quantitative outputs.	Team of 3 full time staff plus partner supported coordinators in two countries. Teams of 2 persons per region, dedicating about 25% of their time to process facilitation, 1 full time equivalent per country for process facilitation in addition to specialists and project management.	
IRC 152	IRC	Explaining the inter village variations in drinking water provision: factors influencing costs and service levels in rural Andhra Pradesh	R. Reddy	2012	IRC WASH	Org	X	Statistics	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Demographic Social Economic Technical Environmental Climate Institutional Participation Governance Planning Financial Capacity	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	India Ghana Mozambique Burkina Faso	South Asia East Africa West Africa	4				
IRC 153	IRC	ONEWASH Plus Sustainability Checks First Annual Report	M. Adank, E. Defere, J. Buttenworth	2015	IRC WASH	Org	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Primary Data Surveys	Functionality Services Institutional Financial Environmental Social Infrastructure Management Capacity Monitoring O&M Policy Participation Economic Hygiene Institutional	Tool	Water Sanitation WASH	Urban Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation Planning	Project Towns in Ethiopia Makengit Abomsa Sheno Wetanchi Adshihu Wairo	East Africa	6				
IRC 175	IRC	Making cities open defecation free : a systematic approach in Maharashtra	Department, Maharashtra (State) Urban Development, University, CEPT, Self-Government, All India Institute of Local	2016	Government of Maharashtra, India	Grey	X	Framework	Low	No	Surveys Observations Focus Groups	Access Behavioral Capacity Community Context Coordination Education Financial Health Hygiene Implementation Management NGOs O&M Participation Planning Political Srvices Social	Approach	Sanitation Hygiene	Urban	Local City	Behavior Change Access Sustainability	Planning Implementation	19 cities, 51 counils and 1 corporation in Maharashtra District, India	South Asia	1	Behavior Change Uptake Services Financial Policy			
IRC 253	IRC	Multiple-use services as an alternative to rural water supply services : a characterisation of the approach	S. Smits, B. van Koppen, P. Moriarty, J. Buttenworth	2010	Water Alternatives	Peer	X	Framework Case Study	Medium	No	Surveys Interviews Observations Focus Groups	Technical Institutional Financial Environmental	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Access Sustainability	Case Study	30 villages across 8 countries: Bolivia Colombia Ethiopia India Nepal South Africa Thailand Zimbabwe	South America East Africa South Africa South Asia Southeast Asia	8				
IRC 278	IRC	A livelihood approach to water interventions in rural areas and implications for Multiple Use Systems	J.M. Fauris, G. Santini, A.N. Villenaveau	2008	International Symposium of Multiple-Use Water Services	Peer	X	Framework	Low	No	Secondary Data	Access Agriculture Context Economic Climate Technical	Framework	Water	Rural	Local	Access	Framework	Sub-Saharan Africa	East Africa West Africa Middle Africa South Africa	4				
IRC 330	IRC	A service delivery approach for rural water supply in Timor-Leste : institutional options and strategy	J. Willets	2012	University of Technology Sydney	Grey	X	Framework Building Blocks Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Secondary Data Interviews	Community Services Capacity Monitoring Policy Technical Regulations Education Infrastructure Financial Governance	Framework	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Framework	Timor-Leste	Southeast Asia	1				

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IRC 356	IRC	A life-cycle approach to improve the sustainability of rural water systems in resource-limited countries	S.A. Jones, A. Anya, N. Stace, L. Weir	2012	Challenges	Peer	X	Lifecycle Analysis Framework Decision Trees	Medium	No	Secondary Data	Technical Environmental Institutional Community Management Users Financial Health	Framework Approach	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Planning	Jharka, Indrapur, and Panchakanya in Nepal	South Asia	3				
IRC 362	IRC	Integrate at the top, involve at the bottom – the household-centred approach to environmental sanitation	C. Lüthi, A. Morel, E. Tilley	2008	IRC WASH	Peer	X	Framework	Medium	No	Expert Opinion Workshop	Technical Users Social Financial Institutional Access Governance	Approach	Sanitation	Urban	Local	Access	Evaluation	Costa Rica Burkina Faso Kenya Tanzania Laos Nepal	Central America East Africa South Asia	6	Uptake	A one-day interactive community workshop ensures that the communities' views and knowledge is recognized and forms a valuable input to the assessment report that follows in the third planning step.		
IRC 364	IRC	The effectiveness and sustainability of two demand-driven sanitation and hygiene approaches in Zimbabwe	L. Whaley, J. Webster	2011	Journal of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene for Development	Peer		Case Study Qualitative Data Analysis	Medium	No	Surveys Interviews Focus Groups	Demographic Economic Cultural Social Community Health Hygiene Financial Climate Infrastructure NGOs	Analysis	Sanitation Hygiene	Rural	Local	Behavior Change Sustainability	Evaluation	The study was carried out in three districts of Zimbabwe: Chiredzi district, Chipinge district and Mutoko district	East Africa	3	Behavior Change			
IRC 372	IRC	A life-cycle capacity-based approach to allocating investments in municipal sanitation infrastructure	G.E. Louis, L. Magpili	2007	Structure and Infrastructure Engineering	Peer		Composite Scoring	High	No	Secondary Data	Services Institutional Capacity Technical Economic Financial Energy Environmental Social Cultural	Tool	Sanitation	Urban	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	Manila, Philippines Mombasa, Kenya	East Africa Southeast Asia	2				
IRC 373	IRC	From beneficiaries to businesses to the big picture: Monitoring for sustainability in market-based approaches to sanitation	D. Sparkman	2013	IRC, Water For People	Grey	X	Composite scoring	Low	No	Interviews Observations Surveys	Access Services Private Sector Community NGOs Infrastructure Financial Regulations Political	Tool	Sanitation	Rural Urban	Local Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Bhanyre, Malawi	East Africa	1				
IRC 478	IRC	Flores revisited : sustainability, hygiene and use of community-managed water supply and sanitation and the relationships with project approaches an...	C. Sijbesma, K. Sari, N. Shatfin, R. Walugan, I. Mukherjee, R. Hopkins	2002	WSP-GAP, IRC WASH	Grey	X	Method for Participatory Assessment (MPA) Statistics	High	Yes	Focus Groups Workshops Primary Data Secondary Data Observations	Social Economic Health Technical Environmental Community Financial Management Access Hygiene Behavioral Institutional Participation Gender	Analysis	Water Sanitation Hygiene	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation	63 Communities in Flores, NTT, Indonesia	Oceania	1				
IRC 539	IRC	Sanitation 21 : simple approaches to complex sanitation : a draft framework for analysis	J. Parkinson, C. Lüthi, D. Walther	2006	The International Water Association (IWA) The Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology (Eawag) The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Sustainable Sanitation Alliance	Grey	X	Framework	Low	No	Secondary Data Primary Data Surveys Focus Groups	Planning NGOs Networks Institutional Private Sector Policy Regulations O&M Infrastructure Technical Financial Services Social Monitoring Implementation Capacity	Framework	Sanitation	Urban	City	Sustainability	Planning							
IRC 575	IRC	External factors influencing the sustainability of micro and small piped water enterprises in Kenya's peri-urban areas	E. Makulu, L. Oyugi, S. Mwanania	2011	International Journal of Humanities and Social Science	Peer	X	Qualitative data analysis Statistics	High	No	Surveys Interviews Observations	Social Political Regulations Economic Private Sector	Analysis	Water	Urban	City	Sustainability	Case Study	Nairobi, Mombasa and Kisumu, Kenya	East Africa	3				
IRC 601	IRC	Factors influencing knowledge and practice of hygiene in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) programme areas of Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee	T. Akter, A. Mehrob	2014	Rural and Remote Health	Peer	X	Qualitative data analysis	Medium	No	Interviews Observation	Hygiene Users Behavioral Financial Environmental Social Education Participation Demographic Services	Analysis	Sanitation Hygiene	Rural	Local	Behavior Change	Case Study	12 Villages across six upazilas in BRAC programs in Bangladesh	South Asia	6				
IRC 63	IRC	Promoting harmonized monitoring for the WASH sector - the Rural Water and Sanitation Information System SIASAR as an example	A. Rodriguez Serrano	2018	IRC WASH, World Bank	Grey	X	SIASAR Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Survey	Infrastructure Technical Financial Services Access Demographic Health Hygiene Capacity	Tool	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation	Mexico Dominican Republic Costa Rica Nicaragua Panama Peru Brazil	Central America South America Caribbean	3	Uptake			

IRC 636	IRC	Sustainable replication and scaling up of small piped water networks: technical assistance consultant's report	University of Tokyo Civil Engineering, Tokyo, JP, UTCE	2008	Asian Development Bank	Grey	X	Case Study Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Interviews Observations Secondary Data	Context NGOs Institutional Capacity Financial Regulations Monitoring O&M Management Private Sector Social Services	Case Study	Water	Urban	City	Sustainability	Case Study	Four utilities in Manila, Philippines (2); Ahmedabad, India; Tien Giang, Vietnam	South Asia Southeast Asia	4					
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IRC 637	IRC	Factors influencing water system functionality in Nigeria and Tanzania: a regression and Bayesian network analysis	R. Cronk, J. Bartram	2017	Environmental Science & Technology	Peer		Statistics	High	Yes	Secondary Data	Environmental Financial Functionality Agriculture Management Technical Context	Analysis	Water	Rural Urban	Local City	Sustainability	Evaluation	E2,503 systems in Tanzania and Nigeria	East Africa West Africa	2				
IRC 70	IRC	Organizing framework for functional national WASH monitoring and evaluation systems	UNICEF, IRC, Akvo	2016	UNICEF, IRC WASH, Akvo	Grey	X	Framework	Low	No		Institutional Capacity Coordination Financial Implementation Monitoring	Framework Tool	WASH	Rural Urban	National	Sustainability	Evaluation							
IRC 879	IRC	Sustainable community water: managing supply systems in the mid-hills of Nepal	B.S. Bhandari	2005	Water Policy	Peer		Qualitative data analysis Statistics Composite Scoring	High	No	Surveys Observation Focus Groups	NGOs Users Management Participation Community Access Services Gender	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation	Baglung and Kavre, Nepal	South Asia	1				
IRC 912	IRC	Looking back to move forward in strength - monitoring of water system sustainability	K. Fogelberg	2009	Knowledge Management for Development Journal	Peer	X	Composite Scoring	Low	No	Interviews Observation Primary Data	Access Management Financial OSM Users Hygiene Environmental	Tool	Water	Rural Urban	Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Honduras Guatemala Bolivia India Malawi	Central America South America West Africa South Asia	3	Uptake	The monitoring exercise is scheduled during the dry season in all countries, as we are most interested in seeing if water systems are able to meet year rounds, needs and thus, visit when they are under the most stress. A typical two-week exercise is typically a presentation	The structure of the groups – an external volunteer, local partner, Water For People staff, and university students (when available) is created precisely to encourage this sharing of information, technical expertise, and creative thinking. The last day of the exercise is typically a presentation	Finance: The majority of costs are borne by external participants, the World Water Corps volunteers
IRC ASG15	IRC	Strengthening the transition market system WaterSHED's Hands-Off experience	M.W. Jenkins, L. McLennan, G. Revell, A. Salinger	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Market-based approach	Low	No	Primary Data Secondary Data	Policy Technical Private Sector Financial Gender Capacity Governance Coordination NGOs Donors Regulations	Approach	Sanitation	Rural	Local Regional National	Access	Implementation	Cambodia	Southeast Asia	1	Access	1. Start-up – design and piloting (2009-2011) 2. Scale-up, maturation, replication & consolidation (2012-2017). 3. Sustainability (2018-2020)		
IRC ASG2	IRC	Facilitating local strengthening of WASH systems: whose understanding counts?	M.E. Mussa, T.N. Michael, B.G. Halegorgis, M.J. Morris, J.A. Butterworth, L. Henry	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Learning Alliances	Low	No	Primary Data	Coordination Monitoring Infrastructure Financial OSM Management	Approach Framework	Water Sanitation	Rural Urban	Local Regional	Sustainability	Planning Implementation	Four locations in Ethiopia: Mile, Alar Woreda South An SNPPR Woreda Woliso Debre Birhan	East Africa	4	Uptake	Two dedicated week-long capacity-building workshops for the facilitators were held in September 2017 and April 2018, with further capacity building and support arranged subsequently		
IRC ASG20	IRC	Kick-starting WASH systems in newly established local authorities: an experience from Nepal	W. Tillet, P. Bastola, S. Gautam	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Grey	X	Systems Approach Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Surveys Primary Data Secondary Data Workshops	Institutional Technical Capacity Environmental Financial Planning Implementation Social Institutional Monitoring	Approach	WASH	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Chitwan District, Nepal	South Asia	1	Policy	At the time of writing this paper, the SSI upstream component of the project in Nepal had only been running for 10 months, with a strong focus to date on assessment phase activities.		
IRC ASG22	IRC	Developing consumer markets within rural WASH systems	A. Smith, J. Butterworth	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Market-based approach Case Study	Medium	No	Secondary Data	Private Sector Economic Government Hygiene NGOs Policy Networks	Analysis	Water Sanitation	Rural	Local Regional National Sector	Sustainability	Evaluation							
IRC ASG24	IRC	Fostering WASH system changes in Haiti using principles from the market systems sector	A. Montagnero, V. Carvin, M. Pierre, L. Blaser	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Market-based approach	Medium	No	Focus Groups Expert Opinion	Private Sector Governance Users Management Planning OSM Monitoring Coordination Financial Networks Institutional Policy Regulations	Approach	WASH	Rural Urban	National Regional	Sustainability	Planning	Haiti	Caribbean	1	Policy Coordination			

IRC ASG26	IRC	The Sanitation Cityscape Conceptual Framework : understanding urban sanitation systems	P. Scott	2019	IRC WASH All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Framework	Low	Yes	Primary Data	Institutional Policy Capacity Finance Planning Monitoring Services Infrastructure	Framework	Sanitation	Urban	City	Sustainability	Implementation	One small town in Ethiopia	East Africa	1				
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IRC ASG28	IRC	Keeping community managed handpump systems going	R. Carter	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Framework	Low	No	Expert Opinion Observations	Community Technical Financial Center Regulations Capacity Management Institutional	Framework	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Evaluation							
IRC ASG3	IRC	Strengthening water quality monitoring systems in Asutifi North Ghana	A. Karim, C. Delaire, C. Mcleod, R. Pawez, R. Kouah	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	Institutional Mapping Systems Approach Qualitative Data Analysis	High	No	Primary Data Secondary Data Interviews Surveys	Economic Functionality Health Institutional Financial Networks Technical OSM Environmental Governance Capacity Political Monitoring	Approach	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Asutifi North, Ghana	West Africa	1	Uptake			
IRC ASG5	IRC	Developing district WASH investment plans: a cornerstone of the district wide approach	P. Kamuyumbu, M. Kalzera	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Peer	X	District Wide Approach Systems Approach	Medium	No	Primary Data Secondary Data	Infrastructure Services Capacity Environmental OSM Monitoring Political	Approach	WASH	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Planning	Rufundo District, Rwanda	West Africa	1	Policy Services	Six years (project duration)		
IRC ASG7	IRC	Positioning WASH services within a systems framework and demonstrating achievement of open defecation free status at scale: an example from the Indian State of Bihar	A. Almar, B. Savki Varma	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Grey	X	Systems Approach	Low	No	Workshops	Access Behavioral Capacity Community Education Financial Gender Governance Technical Hygiene Implementation Institutional Monitoring Participation Political Private Sector Social	Approach	Sanitation	Rural	Local	Access	Approach	Pusa block of Saran district, Bihar, India	South Asia	1	Services			
IRC ASG8	IRC	Performance-based financing and capacity building to strengthen WASH systems in Mozambique - early findings	L. Rudge	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Grey	X	Building Blocks Qualitative Data Analysis Mapping	Medium	No	Interviews Surveys Workshops	Institutional Services Infrastructure Monitoring Environmental Financial Regulations Capacity Coordination	Approach Analysis	WASH	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Planning Implementation Evaluation	20 districts in two provinces of Mozambique (Nampula and Zambezia)	East Africa	2	Uptake Services			
IRC ASG9	IRC	Digging deep behind the complexities of sustainable water supply in Nepal	A. Adhikari	2019	IRC WASH: All Systems Go Conference Proceedings	Grey	X	Qualitative Data Analysis Financial Analysis	Medium	No	Primary Data Interviews Focus Groups	Technical Financial Governance	Analysis	Water	Rural	Regional	Sustainability	Evaluation	Sarlahi and Raubahi districts in Terai and Nuwakot, and Gorkha and Dhading districts in the Hills region (Nepal)	South Asia	5				
OECD 6	OECD	Enhancement of domestic financial support mechanisms for water supply and sanitation in Moldova: Scenario analysis	OECD (Uncredited)	2017	OECD	Grey	X	Scenario Analysis	Low	No	Expert opinion	Social Economic Institutional Financial	Analysis	Water Sanitation	Rural Urban	National	Sustainability	Planning	Moldova	East Europe	1				
SciElo 120	SciElo	Local and social management capacities for domestic water supply in rural communities of the Zamora Valley, Michoacán, Mexico	J.L. Pimentel-Equihua, M.A. Velázquez-Machuca, J. Palerm-Rivera	2012	Agricultura, sociedad y desarrollo (Agriculture, Society and Development)	Peer	X	Framework	Medium	No	Interviews Observation Primary Data Secondary Data	Management Governance Capacity Financial Monitoring	Analysis	Water	Rural	Local	Sustainability	Case Study	Six rural communities in the municipality of Zamora, in the northwest of Michoacán, Mexico	Central America	6				
SciElo 147	SciElo	Proposition of a system of performance indicators to evaluate the quality of sewage services	T.L. von Sperling, N. von Sperling	2013	Sanitary and Environmental Engineering	Peer	X	Delphi Panel Framework	High	No	Secondary Data Expert Opinions	Management Economic Financial Environmental Capacity Infrastructure	Framework	Sanitation		National	Sustainability	Evaluation	Brazil	South America	1				
SciElo 221	SciElo	Water service delivery challenges in a small South African municipality: Identifying and exploring key elements and relationships in a complex socio-ecological system	M.J.T. Weaver	2017	Water SA	Peer	X	Complex Social-Ecological Systems Approach Causal Loop Diagramming	Medium	Yes	Expert Opinion Surveys	Infrastructure Technical Governance Users Policy NGOs Social Economic Political Financial OSM Capacity Management	Approach	Water	Urban	Regional	Sustainability	Case Study	Makana Local Municipality, South Africa	South Africa	1	Uptake			
WEDC 2	WEDC	Soft systems methodology for performance measurement in the Uganda water sector	S. Kayaga	2008	IWA	Peer	X	Soft Systems Methodology CATOWE	Low	No	Workshops	Networks Coordination Financial Services Political Economic Private Sector NGOs Donors	Analysis Framework	Water Sanitation		National	Sustainability	Evaluation	Uganda	East Africa	1	Uptake	3 days		
WEDC 7	WEDC	Livelihood factors, explaining water consumption in a (de facto) multiple uses water system in Colombia	I. Darringuéz, W. Torres-López, I. Restrepo-Targuino, R. Oviedo-Diana, I. Smout	2014	Loughborough University	Peer	X	Statistics	High	No	Primary data Surveys	Agriculture Socioeconomic Technical	Tool	Water	Rural	Local	Access	Case Study	Colombia	South America	1				

World Bank 1	World Bank	Sustainability Assessment of Rural Water Service Delivery Models: Findings of a Multi-Country Review	S. Smeets, H. Lockwood, S. Mansour, S. Smit	2017	World Bank Group	Grey	X	Composite Scoring	Medium	No	Interviews Secondary Data Expert Opinion	Institutional Financial Management Environmental Monitoring Regulations	Framework	Water	Rural	Regional- National	Sustainability	Case Study	Bangladesh Benin Brazil China Ethiopia Ghana Haiti India Indonesia the Kyrgyz Republic Morocco Nepal Nicaragua the Philippines Tanzania Vietnam	South Asia Central America South America Caribbean East Africa West Africa Central Asia East Asia Southeast Asia	16					
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World Bank 218	World Bank	Introducing FOAM	Y. Coombes, J. Devine	2010	The World Bank	Grey	X	Framework	Medium	No	Secondary Data	Technical Financial Behavioral Regulations Social	Approach Framework	Hygiene	Rural Urban	Local City	Sustainability	Planning Implementation	China (Sichuan) China (Shaanxi) Ghana India (Kerala) Kyrgyzstan Madagascar Peru Senegal Tanzania Uganda Vietnam	East Asia West Africa South America Central Asia East Africa Southeast Asia	3				
World Bank 355	World Bank	Community Slum Sanitation in India	World Bank Group	2016	The World Bank	Grey	X	Enabling Environment Framework	Low	No	Surveys Primary Data Secondary Data	Political Institutional Infrastructure Community Financial Regulations Health Participation Gender Coordination Context Management Monitoring	Approach	Sanitation	Urban Local	City Local	Access Sustainability	Planning Implementation Evaluation	Six cities in India: Ahmedabad, Gujarat; Bhopal Madhya Pradesh; Kalyani, West Bengal; Mumbai, Maharashtra; Pune, Maharashtra; Truchirappalli (or Trichy), Tamil Nadu	South Asia	6				

SI 4: RESULTS SUMMARY

Table S4-1: Results Summary Table - Methodology

Methodology Descriptors	Criteria					
	Method	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
Method ²	Framework	21	12	8	41	31%
	Composite Scoring	12	10	8	30	23%
	Qualitative Data Analysis	11	10	2	23	17%
	Statistics	11	1	2	14	11%
	Social Network Analysis	8	2		10	8%
	Case Study	5	1	1	7	5%
	Systems Approach	3	2	2	7	5%
	AHP	6			6	5%
	Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis	5	1		6	5%
	System Dynamics	6			6	5%
	Market-Based Approach	5			5	4%
	Causal Loop Diagramming	4	2		6	5%
	Collective Action / Impact	1		3	4	3%
	Method for Participatory Assessment	2	1	1	4	3%
	Theory of Change		1	3	4	3%
	Building Blocks		2	1	3	2%
	Learning Alliances	1		2	3	2%
	Participatory Systems Mapping	2	1		3	2%
	Service Delivery Approach			3	3	2%
	SIASAR		3		3	2%
	Agent Based Modeling	2			2	2%
	Bayesian Networks	2			2	2%
	Financial Analysis		1	1	2	2%
	Lifecycle Analysis	2			2	2%
	Qualitative Comparative Analysis	2			2	2%
	Behavioral Model	1			1	1%
	CATOWE	1			1	1%
	Cost-Benefit Analysis	1			1	1%
	Decision Trees	1			1	1%
	Delphi Panel	1			1	1%
	District-Wide Approach / Systems Approach	1			1	1%
	Enabling Environment		1		1	1%
	GIS	1			1	1%
	Graphic Modeling	1			1	1%
Institutional Mapping	1			1	1%	

	Mathematical optimization	1			1	1%	
	Remote sensing	1			1	1%	
	Scenario Analysis			1	1	1%	
	Shit Flow Diagrams				1	1%	
	Soft Systems Methodology	1			1	1%	
	Sustainable Livelihoods Framework			1	1	1%	
Analytical Complexity¹		Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%	
	Low	13	10	10	33	25%	
	Medium	23	16	10	49	37%	
	High	39	9	3	51	38%	
Interactions¹		Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%	
		26	5	4	35	26%	
Sources of data²		Data Source	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Secondary Data		34	18	19	71	53%
	Interviews		37	15	11	63	47%
	Primary Data		20	7	10	37	28%
	Observation		22	10	3	35	26%
	Surveys		16	11	5	32	24%
	Focus Groups		14	10	7	31	23%
	Expert Opinion		13	10	5	28	21%
Workshops		1	5	0	6	5%	
Factors²		Factor Name	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Financial		46	31	21	98	74%
	Technical		45	17	9	71	53%
	Institutional		21	19	17	57	43%
	Social		30	15	9	54	41%
	Environmental		32	8	13	53	40%
	Capacity		17	18	9	44	33%
	Economic		30	6	4	40	30%
	O&M		20	13	7	40	30%
	Management		18	14	7	39	29%
	Governance		20	9	7	36	27%
Community		21	10	3	34	26%	

Monitoring	7	16	11	34	26%	
Coordination	13	11	6	30	23%	
Services	10	15	3	28	21%	
Policy	10	7	10	27	20%	
Regulations	6	15	4	25	19%	
NGOs	11	10	1	22	17%	
Access	10	8	2	20	15%	
Infrastructure	9	6	5	20	15%	
Private Sector	8	9	3	20	15%	
Hygiene	7	9	3	19	14%	
Political	6	7	5	18	14%	
Functionality	12	3	2	17	13%	
Health	9	6	2	17	13%	
Networks	11	4	2	17	13%	
User	14	2	1	17	13%	
Planning	4	5	7	16	12%	
Context	9	4	2	15	11%	
Implementation	3	7	4	14	11%	
Behavioral	7	6	0	13	10%	
Education	6	5	2	13	10%	
Participation	3	5	5	13	10%	
Cultural	7	3	1	11	8%	
Demographic	4	3	1	8	6%	
Gender	2	5	1	8	6%	
Donors	3	2	2	7	5%	
Socioeconomic	7	0	0	7	5%	
Climate	4	1	1	6	5%	
Agriculture	3	1	1	5	4%	
Energy	5	0	0	5	4%	
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Factor Count	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%	
2	1	0	0	1	1%	
3	5	1	1	7	5%	
4	4	2	0	6	5%	
5	14	4	5	23	17%	
6	16	3	1	20	15%	
7	9	2	4	15	11%	
8	11	3	4	18	14%	
9	5	3	0	8	6%	
10	3	5	2	10	8%	

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Table SI 4-2: Results Summary Table - Scope

Scope Descriptors	Criteria					
Aspects of WASH¹	Scope	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Water (only)	37	10	8	55	41%
	Sanitation (only)	15	10	4	29	22%
	Water and Sanitation	12	6	2	20	15%
	WASH	5	4	7	16	12%
	Water, Sanitation, Hygiene	3	2	1	6	5%
	Hygiene	1	1	0	2	2%
	Hygiene and Sanitation	2	2	0	4	3%
Outcome Scope²	Outcome	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Sustainability	48	23	17	88	66%
	Access	13	3	0	16	12%
	Health	4	0	0	4	3%
	Behavior Change	1	2	0	3	2%
	Coordination	2	1	0	3	2%
	Functionality	1	0	0	1	1%
	Policy	0	0	1	1	1%
Context¹	Context	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Urban and Rural	9	10	11	30	23%
	Urban (Only)	18	7	2	27	21%
	Urban (Any)	27	16	13	56	43%
	Rural (Only)	44	15	8	67	52%
	Rural (Any)	53	24	19	96	74%
	None	4	1	2	7	5%
	Application	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Local	46	19	14	79	59%
	Regional	21	10	11	42	32%
	National	8	8	11	27	20%
	City	10	9	1	20	15%
	City-only	9	5	1	15	11%
	Sector	2	2	7	11	8%
None / Unspecified	1	0	0	1	1%	

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Table SI 4-3: Results Summary Table - Application

Application Descriptors	Criteria					
Project Application¹	Project Application	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	Evaluation	26	15	15	56	42%
	Case Study	38	9	4	51	38%
	Planning	16	13	11	40	30%
	Implementation	4	7	4	15	11%
	None	0	0	1	1	1%
Location¹	Region	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	East Africa	23	10	13	46	40%
	South Asia	21	10	6	37	32%
	West Africa	12	5	11	28	24%
	South America	9	6	4	19	17%
	East Asia	8	6	2	16	14%
	Southeast Asia	8	6	2	16	14%
	Central America	8	6	2	16	14%
	South Africa	4		2	6	5%
	Caribbean	2	2	1	5	4%
	Oceania	1	3		4	3%
	Central Asia	1	3		4	3%
	North America	1			1	1%
	East Europe		1		1	1%
	Middle Africa	1			1	1%
	Country	Peer	Grey	Org	Total	%
	India	8	8	4	20	15%
	Ghana	5	3	10	18	14%
	Uganda	7	4	6	17	13%
	Tanzania	5	6	2	13	10%
Nepal	7	3	1	11	8%	
Kenya	7	1	2	10	8%	
Nicaragua	3	4	2	9	7%	
Bangladesh	6	1	1	8	6%	
Burkina Faso	3		5	8	6%	
Ethiopia	4	2	2	8	6%	
Indonesia	3	4	1	8	6%	
Bolivia	4	2	1	7	5%	
Peru	1	4	2	7	5%	
Honduras	1	3	2	6	5%	
Malawi	2	1	3	6	5%	
Mexico	3	3		6	5%	

	Philippines	2	3	1	6	5%
	South Africa	4		2	6	5%
	Vietnam	1	5		6	5%
	Brazil	2	2	1	5	4%
	Colombia	3	1		4	3%
	Dominican Republic	1	2	1	4	3%
	Mozambique		1	3	4	3%
	Rwanda	2		2	4	3%
	Senegal		2	2	4	3%
	Costa Rica	1	2		3	2%
	Lao	2	1		3	2%
	Niger	1	1	1	3	2%
	Panama		3		3	2%
	Timor-Leste	2	1		3	2%
	Benin		1	1	2	2%
	Cambodia	2			2	2%
	China		2		2	2%
	Columbia	1		1	2	2%
	Fiji	2			2	2%
	Guatemala	1		1	2	2%
	Haiti	1	1		2	2%
	Madagascar		1	1	2	2%
	Nigeria	1	1		2	2%
	Pakistan	2			2	2%
	Zimbabwe	2			2	2%
	Argentina	1			1	1%
	Canada	1			1	1%
	Egypt			1	1	1%
	Jordan			1	1	1%
	Kyrgyz Republic		1		1	1%
	Kyrgyzstan		1		1	1%
	Laos	1			1	1%
	Liberia			1	1	1%
	Mali	1			1	1%
	Moldova		1		1	1%
	Morocco		1		1	1%
	Palestine			1	1	1%
	Papua New Guinea		1		1	1%
	Paraguay		1		1	1%
	Sudan			1	1	1%
	Sweden		1		1	1%
	Tajikistan				1	1%
	Thailand	1			1	1%
	Zambia			1	1	1%
Reporting of Impacts²	Study Impacts				Total	%
	Uptake	7	5	4	16	12%
	Services	4	3	2	9	7%
	Policy	2	2	4	8	6%

Coordination	2		3	5	4%
Behavior Change	2	2		4	3%
Financial		1	1	2	2%
Users	1		1	2	2%
Health	1			1	1%
Access	1			1	1%

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