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The [Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation \(SDC\)](#) is the official agency for international cooperation of Switzerland under the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA). The recently published [FDFA Guidelines on Water 2022-25](#) are the foundation for addressing the water sector in a comprehensive manner.

**Water is life:** For people, for animals, for plants - for nature as a whole!

**Water is important:** For cultures, for societies, for economies and for politics - all life on Earth depends on water!

**Water is precious and irreplaceable:** For a healthy Planet and decent future – don't overexploit and pollute water!



The partnership of the SDC with Art for the World and its latest film production “**INTERACTIONS**” is an expression of the **deep concern and desire to contribute to a water secure world for all on Earth.**

The short movies produced by renowned filmmakers are a powerful tool to touch people's heart and convey the important message of **interdependencies, interconnections and interactions that characterize life on Earth and unite all living beings.**

The **Water Section of SDC** - through its [Global Program Water](#) - strives at contributing to **access to safe and affordable drinking water, sanitation and hygiene services for all human beings because access to water is a human right!**



But when **inequalities among different user groups** prevail, water has the potential to trigger tensions or even violent conflicts. Through the [Blue Peace Initiative](#), SDC emphasizes the opportunity to **transform water into a factor of peace, stability, prosperity and societal wellbeing at all levels.**

This is of particular interest in **transboundary settings**, where neighboring countries are constrained to share the limited water resources among different interest groups – often **putting the most vulnerable at risk: children, elderly people and women!**

In this context, SDC undertakes specific efforts and launches **innovative initiatives** to support **systemic change** such as the recent '**1 Million Youth Actions Challenge**' meant to **mobilize youth as important actor for societal transformation**: check [www.1MYAC.com](http://www.1MYAC.com) !



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