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Mainstreaming the Water-Energy-Food Security Nexus into Sectoral Policies and Institutions in the Arab Region

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Analyses of cross-cutting topics in regional strategies as opportunities for cross-sectoral cooperation

- ✓ LAS regional strategies (sectoral and cross-sectoral) include various sustainable approaches providing entry points for WEF nexus approach
- ✓ Several topics feature in almost all strategies, starting points for coordinated regional action plans

Provisions	Water	Agric.	RE	Climate Change	Sust. Dev.
Increasing water use efficiency in agriculture	✓	✓		✓	✓
Increasing use of RE for Desalination	✓	✓	✓		✓
Increasing use of non-conventional water in agric.	✓	✓		✓	(✓)*

*proposed indicators reflect topic indirectly

❖ **No need for specific nexus strategy, build on opportunities for mainstreaming into existing framework**

Mainstreaming WEF-Nexus in regional level action plans, work programmes and road maps

- address thematic gaps (e.g. energy-efficiency in the water and agricultural sector)
- formulate more specific indicators for WEF nexus goals
- provide guidance on policy instruments (regulatory, economic, and promotional instruments) to promote WEF nexus

Propose nexus mainstreaming at member states level through procedural requirements to

- inform and consult other sectors on policy developments
- address nexus perspective in sectoral programmes in order to receive promotional loans and preferred funding
- carry out impact assessments across the WEF nexus
- include a WEF nexus perspective in the assessment of new policies and strategies.