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Rural Water Supply and Sanitation, Ferghana

Valley, Backstopping Support

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Country:

Tajikistan

Project Period:

2014-2017

Services Provided:

Backstopping & Technical Advice

- Backstopping and coaching

Name of Staff involved and functions performed:

[Sean Furey](#): Team leader, water supply and water resources expert

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Name of Client(s):

International Secretariat for Water (ISW) on behalf of the Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation (SDC)

Description of the Project:

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Specific tasks carried out in the framework of this mandate are:

- Face-to-face meetings with key stakeholders in Tajikistan and observation of past and current ISW activities in the Tajik Ferghana Valley.
- Providing coaching and remote support to project staff on:
 - Design of EcoSan toilets in selected schools;
 - Design of a wastewater treatment system for a hospital;

Faecal sludge management.

- Making connections with other organisations and practitioners and drawing on a wider pool of expertise through the Rural Water Supply Network (RWSN).