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# Switzerland & Blue Peace

## Water as an Instrument for peace

Blue Peace initiative refers to **water cooperation** across borders, sectors and generations to **foster peace, stability and sustainable development**.



### Tools:

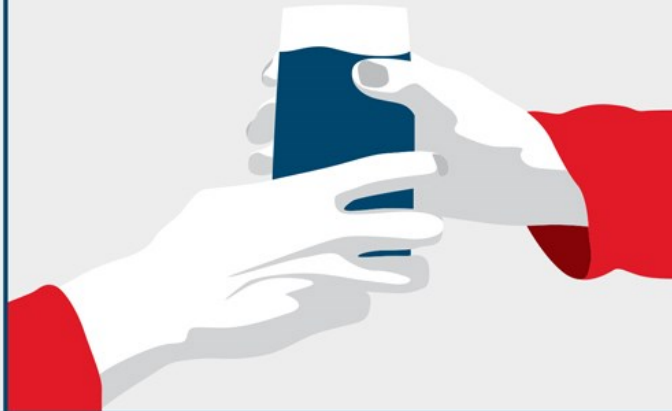
- diplomatic & political dialogue
- technical & expert support
- financial instruments & capacity building
- education & awareness raising



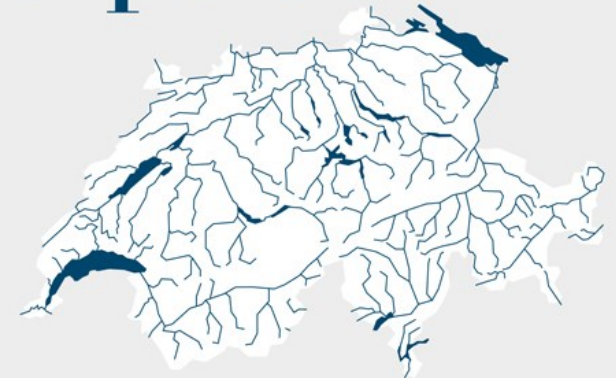
Active at the **global level**, specifically in **3 regions**: Central Asia, Middle East, West Africa

## Sharing water is vital

- **153 countries** worldwide **share transboundary basins** (rivers, lakes, aquifers)
- **Over 2 billion people** depend on **shared water resources**.
- **2/3 of the world's transboundary basins lack arrangements** for water cooperation.



## Switzerland's expertise



Through **Blue Peace initiative**, Switzerland:

- supports both cross-border cooperation and national platforms **for dialogue on water management**
- shares its **long experience in transboundary water management**: 6 rivers and 4 lakes shared with its neighbors