Scotland: the Hydro Nation
Supporting Innovation
Water Resources Scotland Act 2013 places a duty on the Scottish Ministers who must ‘take such reasonable steps as they consider appropriate for the purpose of ensuring the development of the value of Scotland’s water resources’

Scotland the Hydro Nation – a nation which manages its water environment to the best advantage, employing its knowledge and expertise effectively at home and internationally.
Delivering for Today, Investing for Tomorrow
Programme for Government 2018-19

PfG published 4 September commits SG to:

• provide £210 million to support Scottish Water’s £3.6 bn capital investment programme

• grow Scotland’s water economy through Scottish Water International consultancy, the Hydro Nation innovation service and test facilities, world-class research, overseas development aid and working with Scottish Development International
Hydro Nation structure

Hydro Nation Forum – chaired by Cabinet Secretary - advises on delivery of HN Strategy under 4 key themes of activity:

• National
• International
• Knowledge
• Innovation

Annual Hydro Nation Report laid in Parliament each Autumn
Significant market opportunity - > £245bn global annual turnover
UK level £15.2bn turnover in water and sewage sector - 127000 jobs
Water tech market estimated to grow from £1.5bn to £8.8bn by 2030
Scottish market alone £1.8bn (2014) growth around 10% pa
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