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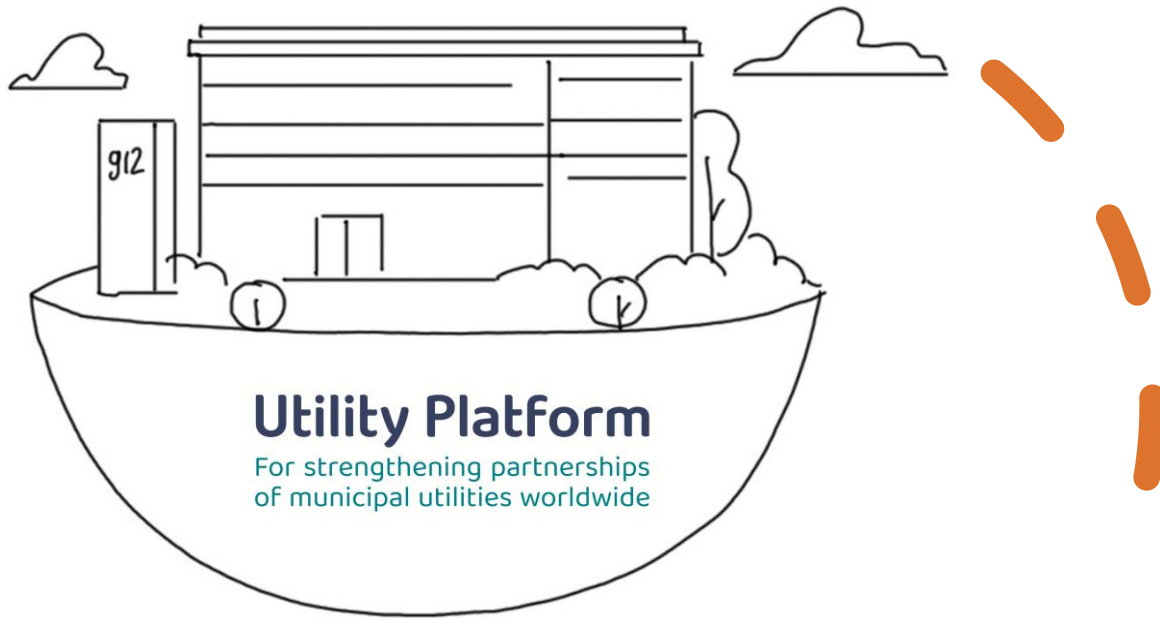
Zur Stärkung von Partnerschaften
kommunaler Unternehmen weltweit

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SOLIDARITY OPERATOR PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN GERMAN AND UKRAINIAN UTILITIES - PART OF THE UTILITY PLATFORM

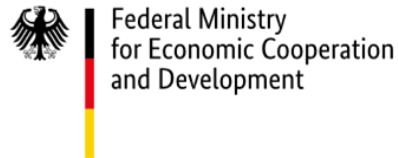
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MAKING OPERATOR PARTNERSHIPS

The 'Utility Platform' promotes **participation of German municipal companies** (water and solid waste sector) in **international cooperation** for sustainable development (since 2019)

The German **Federal Ministry for Economic Development and Cooperation (BMZ)** is financing the Utility Platform Project under which currently **30** partnerships with German utilities in 7 countries are financed/promoted

... among those partnerships, **4** utility partnerships are financed through **bilateral GIZ development programmes** (Zambia, Jordan)

... **GWOPA, EIB** are financing **3** of those partnerships with German utilities

And of course:

...all our **participating utilities** contributing with their **staff time, great attitude and more** 😊

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WE UNDERSTAND OPERATOR PARTNERSHIPS AS...



... **not-for-profit** and **peer-to-peer** partnerships between municipal utilities responsible for basic service delivery (**water, waste**)...

... aiming at **strengthening the competencies of partnering utilities** for the **benefit of both sides**...

...to provide a sustainable **high-quality** and **affordable basic service for all**.



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OUR MISSION

We...

... **allocate and manage funding** for operator partnerships with German participation

... **ensure synergies** between utility **partnerships** and **German technical (and financial) cooperation**

... **foster result-orientation, monitoring**, diversity, gender equality and climate resilience in the partnerships

... **offer** and strengthen **networking, training and knowledge exchange/networking** amongst our partners and their partnerships

THESE ARE OUR GERMAN MUNICIPAL PARTNERS



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THESE ARE OUR INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS



UKRAINIAN PORTFOLIO

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As of November 2025, the German Utility Platform facilitates **14 water operator partnerships** and **2 operator partnerships** in the solid waste sector in Ukraine



WHAT ARE SOLIDARITY OPERATOR PARTNERSHIPS?

- **Current focus** (due to the Russian war of aggression): Procurement of essential technical equipment and peer-to-peer exchange to maintain, strengthen, and sustainably restore critical infrastructure.
- **Long-term goal:** Gradually phase out equipment procurement and shift the focus towards peer-to-peer and professional exchange, supporting reconstruction efforts — including planning, construction, and sustainable operation of new facilities.
- Operator partnerships support Ukraine's integration with the EU by **transferring European technical standards**, with German partners sharing their experience to ensure practical and sustainable implementation.



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LOGISTICS HUB FOR UKRAINE

- **Start:** January 2023 and active to date
- **Objective:** To additionally support Ukrainian water utilities during times of war, complementing operator partnerships, by delivering urgently needed technical equipment and aid provided by German municipal enterprises, helping Ukraine maintain and restore critical water infrastructure.
- **Organised:** by GIZ Utility Plattform together with the Association of Municipal Enterprises (VKU) and
- **Financed:** by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
- **Logistics:** The Ukrainian NGO *Go Local* is responsible for managing the logistical processes (*includes also delivery of procurements under the solidarity operator partnerships*)



Logistics Hub for Ukraine: Value of all donated goods and procurements within the Solidarity Operator Partnerships

As of 20/10/2025

Value of all goods*

7.542.286 €

Number of packages

132



Number of goods

7050



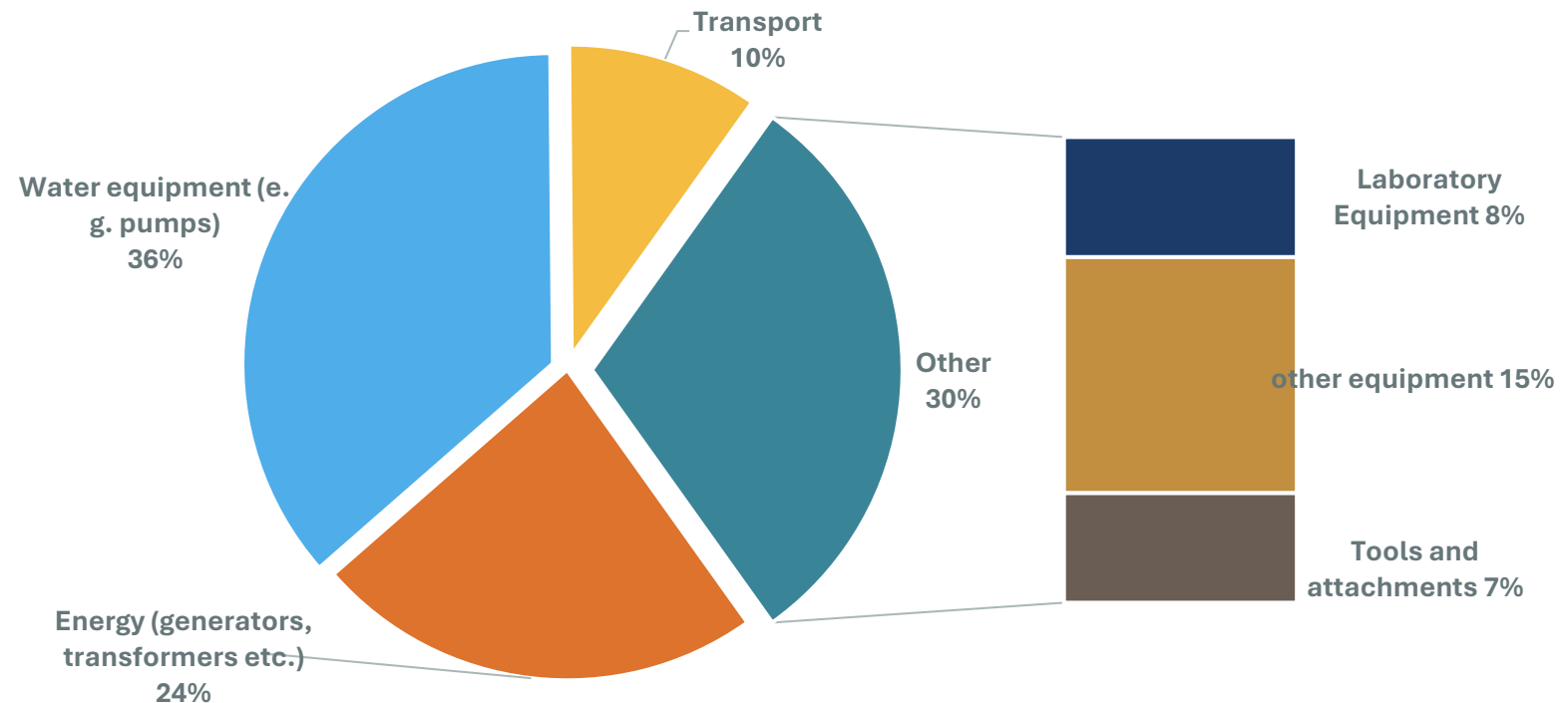
Involved donor companies

57

Ukrainian recipients

76

Categories of donated and procured goods

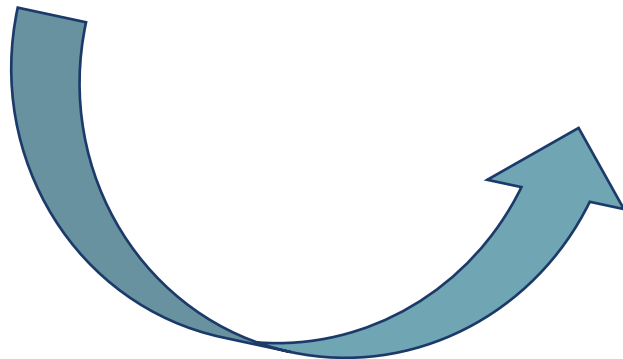


*Value of donated goods is often underestimated or symbolic

PARTICIPATION IN THE DONATION CAMPAIGN FOR UKRAINIAN WATER UTILITIES

- Detailed information,
- the current list of needs,
- and the process overview can be found at:

www.vku.de/ukraine-hilfe



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