# Benefits of Using Iron Coagulants in Wastewater Treatment

# Odor & Corrosion Control



# Hydrogen Sulfide

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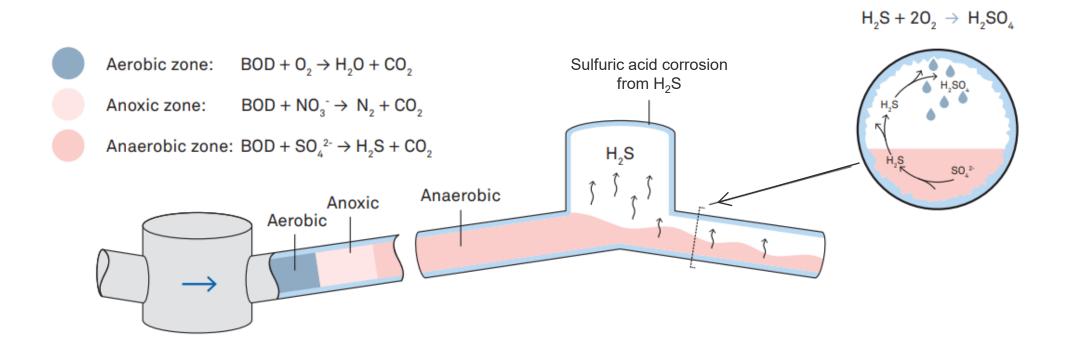
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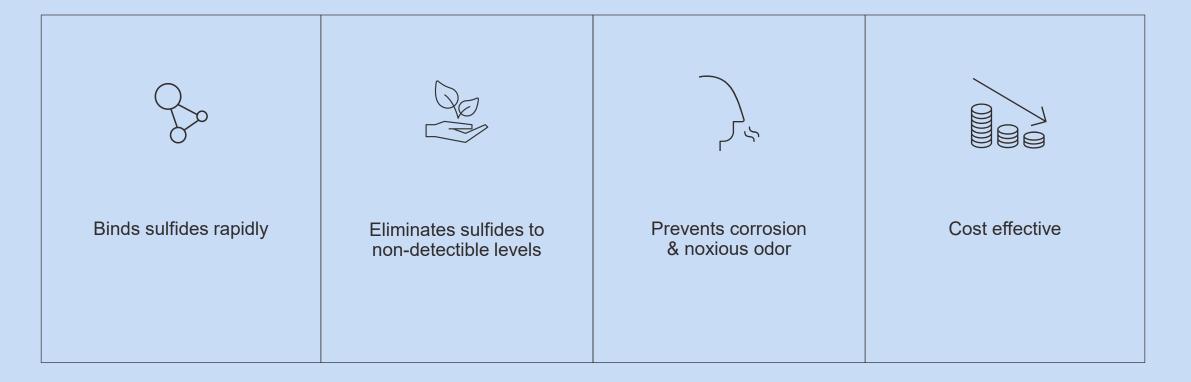
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FORMATION OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE AND SULFURIC ACID IN A SEWER PIPE

## What Causes H<sub>2</sub>S to Form?



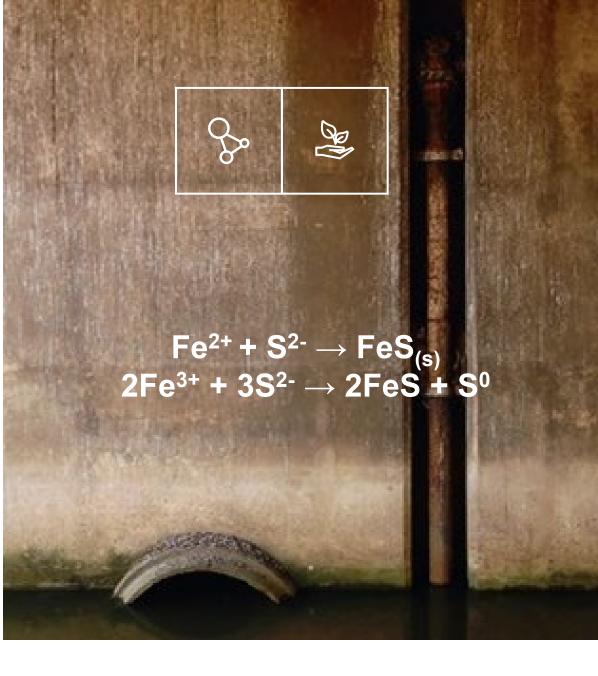
# **Benefits of Iron Addition for Sulfide Control**



## The Chemistry of Iron-Based Sulfide Control

Iron (Fe) reacts with sulfide species resulting in:

- Direct precipitation of dissolved sulfides (HS<sup>-</sup>, S<sup>2-</sup>) as water-insoluble solids  $FeS_{(s)} \& S_{(s)}$
- Irreversible binding of iron with dissolved sulfides leads to elimination of free S<sup>2-</sup>



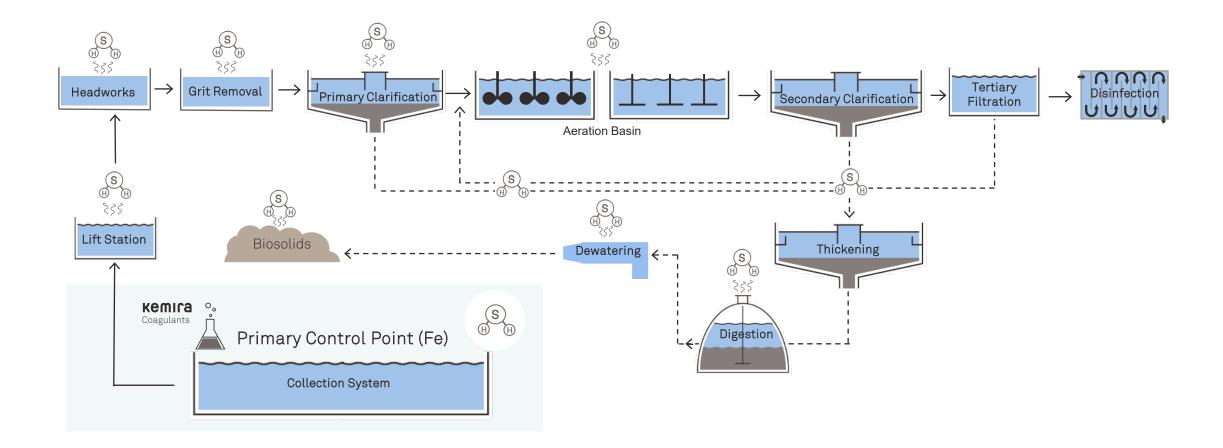




#### The Chemistry of Iron-Based Sulfide Control

Iron (Fe) binds strongly to sulfides, inhibiting the production of  $H_2S_{(g)}$ , thereby preventing corrosion & noxious odor

# **Common Points for Presence of H<sub>2</sub>S Gas**



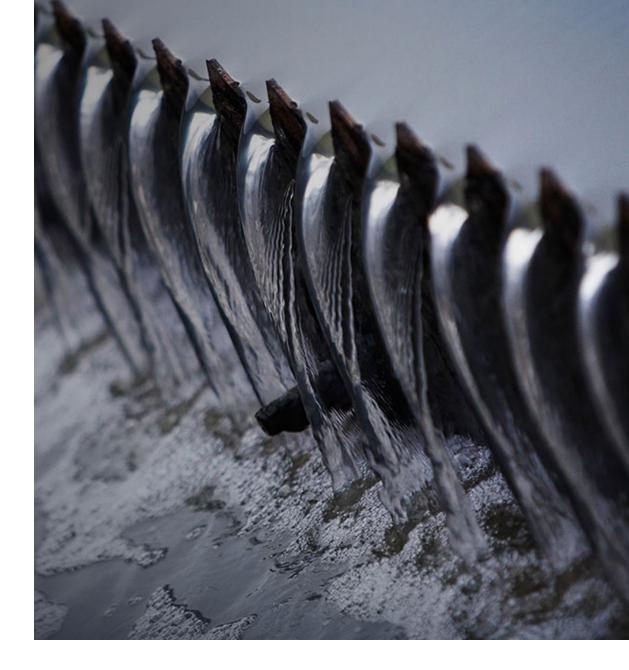
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Wastewater treatment plants (WWTP) dealing with increased flows, treatment bottlenecks and/or plant expansion restrictions

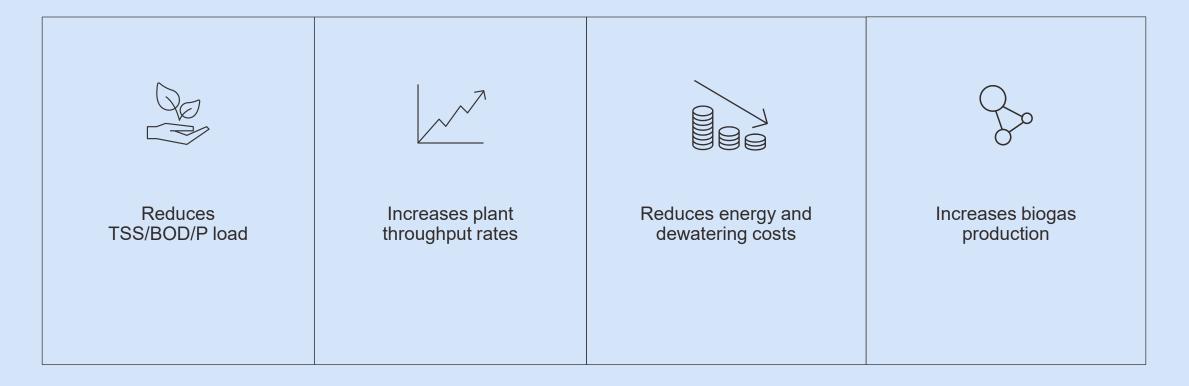
Addition of iron coagulants at headworks

Increased removal of organic / particulate matter in primary clarifiers



#### **4 REASONS WHY THIS MAY BE THE SOLUTION FOR YOU**

# Benefits of Iron Coagulants for CEPT



# **Properties of Ferric Coagulants**



- Removes TSS, BOD, P & heavy metals
- Creates a dense, fast-settling floc
- Wide pH range
- Controls formation of H<sub>2</sub>S gas
- Low freezing points

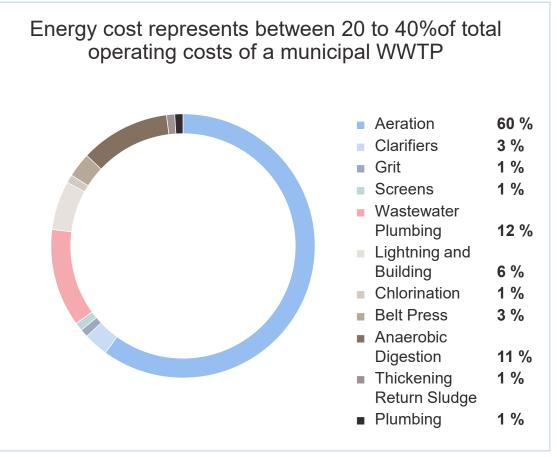
# **CEPT Addresses These Process Issues**

Influent water quality fluctuations

Increased capacity needs / removal of process bottlenecks:

- Primary clarifiers
- Activated sludge

Variable biological treatment load Energy costs associated with aeration basins Need to boost biogas production



\*Walther, E. "Energy efficiency and GHG reduction in wastewater facilities." Northern California Chapter Meeting (2009).

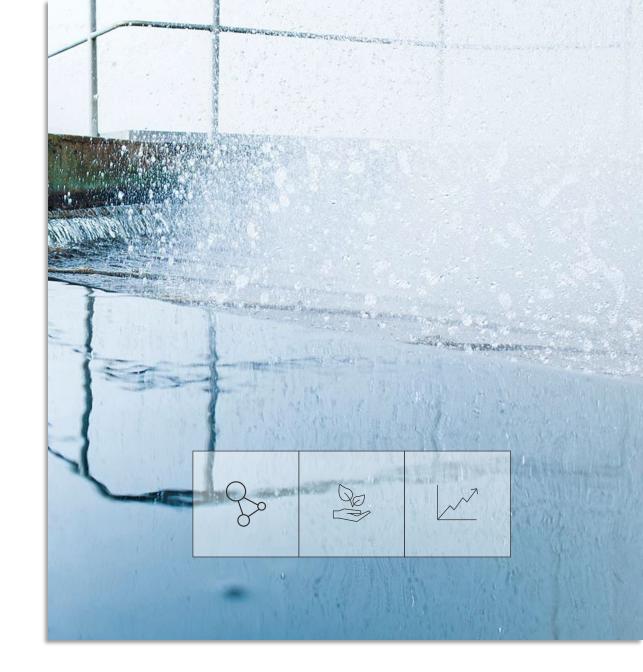
## Enhanced Biogas Production

- Use of iron addition to reduce or eliminate digester H<sub>2</sub>S
  - > Not only eliminates corrosion concerns, also results in significant increases in methane production
  - > Iron addition can be adjusted to meet target digester H<sub>2</sub>S levels.



# **Process Benefits of CEPT Using Iron**

- ✓ Increased primary clarifier removal rates
- ✓ Reduced aeration process energy use
- ✓ Lower F/M ratio & increased aeration process capacity
- ✓ Improved biological process
- ✓ Increased primary sludge, increased biogas & reduced CO₂ footprint



#### **KEMIRA CEPT**

# **Case Studies**

#### ORANGE COUNTY, CA PLANT #1 WWTP

Primary TSS removal  $50\% \rightarrow 85\%$ 

Primary BOD removal  $50\% \rightarrow 85\%$ 

80% primary: 20% secondary

Increased methane production

Increased cake solids

#### SAN DIEGO- POINT LOMA, CA WWTP

Primary TSS removal 90%

Primary BOD removal 60% CITY OF SAN JOSE, CA

Primary TSS removal  $47\% \rightarrow 68\%$ 

Primary BOD removal  $30\% \rightarrow 52\%$ 

52:48% before, with CEPT 72:28% P:S

+4 primary clarifiers capacity with CEPT

Methane +14%

Reduced P load to bio process

Aeration demand -14%

#### MIAMI-DADE NORTH DISTRICT, FL- TRIAL

Primary TSS removal  $41\% \rightarrow 80+\%$ 

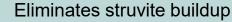
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#### FEATURES AND BENEFITS

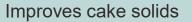
# **Enhanced Dewatering**









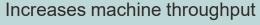








Reduces dewatering polymer dosage





Optimizes & automates the dewatering process







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# **Enhanced Dewatering**



## Enhanced Dewatering Sustainable Benefits



- CO<sub>2</sub> reduction
- Capacity increase



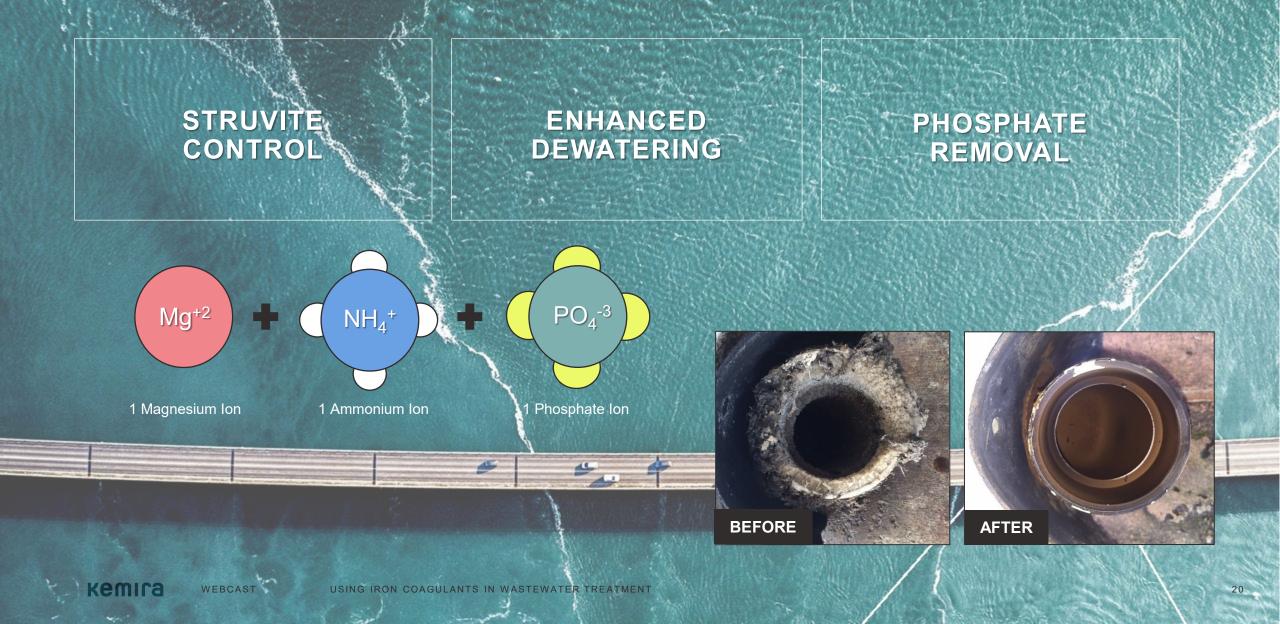
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Energy savings



- Freight savings
- Sludge final disposal savings

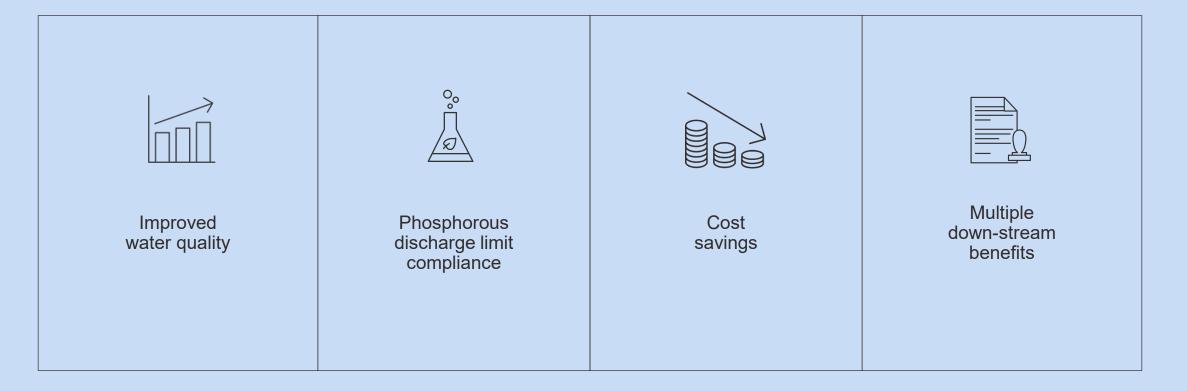
MAJORITY OF PROJECTS BEGIN WITH PREVENTING STRUVITE FORMATION





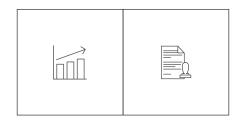
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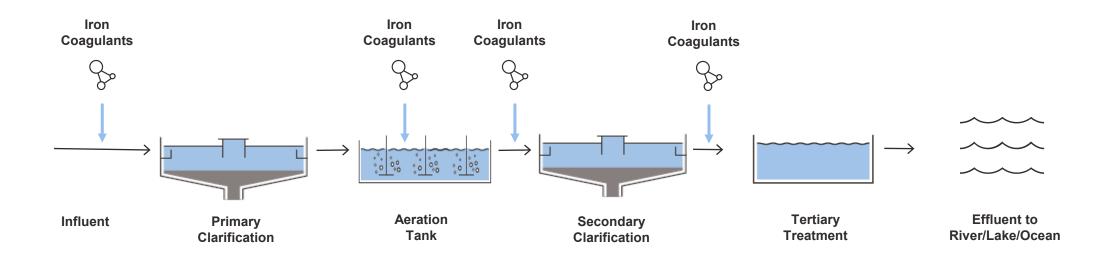
# Benefits of Iron Coagulants for Phosphorous Removal



#### **COAGULANT ADDITION POINTS & DOSAGES**

### Iron-based Phosphorous Removal





#### WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV

# **Case Study**

#### Issue:

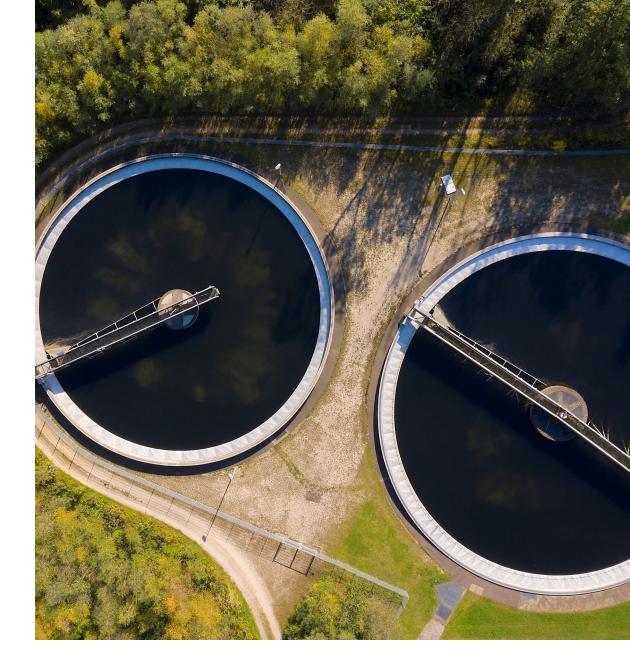
Increased phosphorous due to hot weather

#### Solution:

• Add ferric chloride above 82°F

#### **Result:**

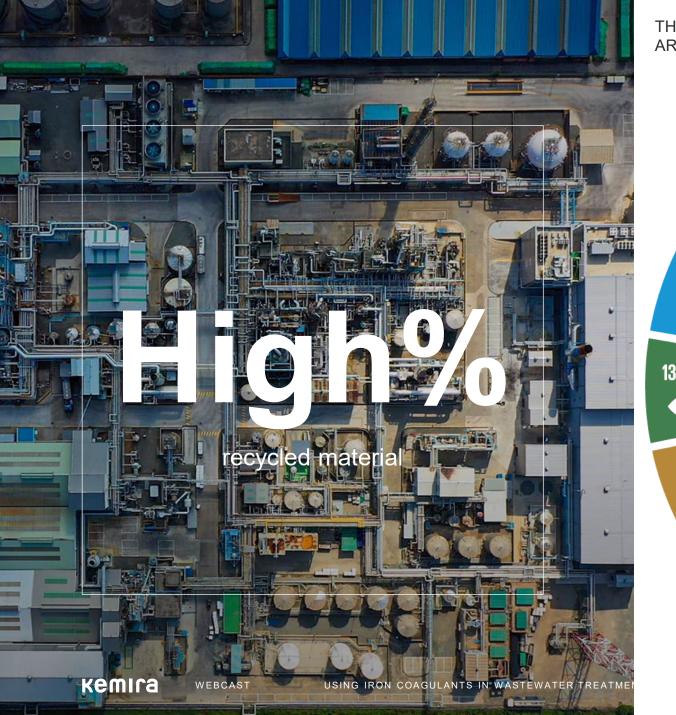
- 20-25% reduction in phosphorous discharges
- ~ 7% increase in cake dryness
- ~ \$100,000 annual savings in biosolid process cost



## Recapping Using Iron Coagulants in Wastewater Treatment

Water treatment expertise to help municipalities and water intensive industries optimize every stage of the water cycle.

- Eliminates sulfides to non-detectible levels and prevents corrosion & noxious odor
- ✓ De-bottlenecking key aspects of the treatment process
- ✓ Increasing plant throughput rates/process capacities
- ✓ Increasing the production and quality of biogas
- ✓ Reducing treatment costs
- ✓ Optimizing treatment plant performance on a 24/7 basis
- ✓ Phosphorous discharge limit compliance
- ✓ Downstream benefits
- ✓ Reducing the WWT plant's carbon footprint
- ✓ Digitally enhanced process optimization
- ✓ Sustainability- reuse of raw material



THE GLOBAL SHARED AMBITION TO BUILD A SUSTAINABLE WORLD IS ARTICULATED IN **THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS)**.



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### Thank you so much for listening

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