

# The Human Right to Water & Its Protection

Ensuring Access for All

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# Threats to Water Access



- pollution and contamination
- climate change and droughts
- privatization and lack of affordability
- poor infrastructure and governance

# The Human Right to Water

- recognized by the UN in 2010 as a fundamental human right
- essential for life, health, and dignity
- requires safe, accessible, and affordable water for all
- life without water is not possible
- the right to water is inextricably linked to the right to life and human dignity
- water is a resource that must be available, physically available and accessible



**HUMAN RIGHTS TO  
WATER AND SANITATION**

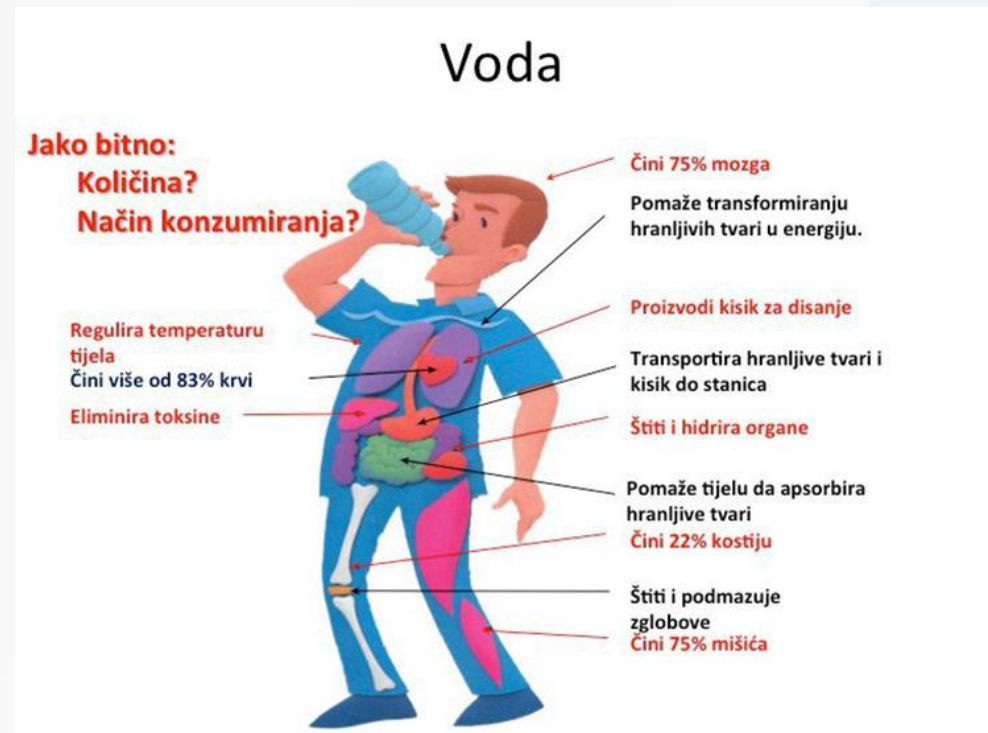
# III. generation of human rights



- the right to sustainable development, peace or a healthy environment,
  - the right to accessible drinking water for everyone
- safe water for drinking and sanitation is a universal good for meeting the basic needs of human existence

# Water and human health

- our body needs water for everything we do,
- water is important for all physiological processes:
  - builds,
  - regulates,
  - transports,
  - cleanses,
  - nourishes every part of the body





## The most common causes of drinking water pollution

- industry,
- agriculture,
- waste disposal site
- roads
- old water pipes
- chemicals used in the water treatment process



# Protecting the Right to Water

- strengthening policies and regulations
- investing in sustainable water management
- community-led conservation efforts
- ensuring corporate and government accountability

