



# AS-SAMRA PROJECT

## The key points for a success story

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# As-Samra BOT – History

- 1968 Construction of the first WWTP for Amman at Ain Ghazal
- 1986 Closure of Ain Ghazal plant and construction of Waste Stabilisation Ponds (WSP) at As-Samra
- 1997 Master Plan for Amman-Zarqa Basin: As-Samra WSP already overloaded and causing problems
- 1999 MWI concluded Project Feasibility Study and preliminary engineering design for a 100 MCM/Year WWTP
- 1999 21 different financial scenarios & implementation options were analyzed (conventional, BOT, DBO, EPC)
- 2000 Due to financial limitations, the BOT implementation option was selected
- 2000 USAID issued commitment letter to MWI for \$75M commitment for the project (increased at Financial Close to \$92M)
- 2000 Launch of BOT tender process for As-Samra WTP
- 2003 Financial Close for Phase 1
- 2008 Full Commercial Operation of Phase 1
- 2010 Start of Negotiations for Phase 2
- 2012 Financial Close for Phase 2
- 2015 Full Commercial Operation of Phase 2



# As-Samra, Characteristics of the Project

## ***Plant (Phases 1+2)***

- Nominal capacity: 364,800 m<sup>3</sup>/d (3,27 million inhabitants)
- Water line: primary settling tank + aeration + clarification + chlorination
- Sludge line: anaerobic digestion + belt filter press + solar drying beds
- Energy production
  - ❖ Hydraulic turbines (4.2 MW)
  - ❖ Biogas power generators (9.5 MW)



## ***Others***

- 3 external sites (upstream): 1 pre-treatment (Amman), 2 pumping stations (Zarqa)
- 221 employees





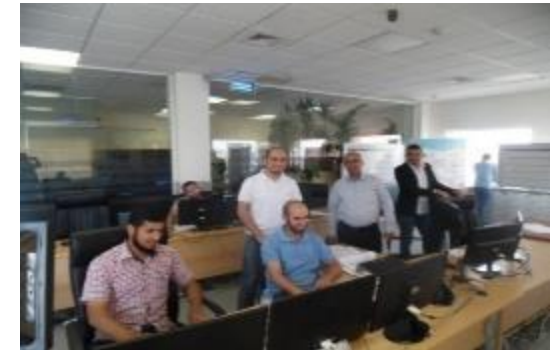
# As-Samra, an Environmental Success

- **70%** of the wastewater treated in Jordan
- **100%** of treated water used for irrigation
- **10%** of global water consumption thanks to high quality treated water that frees up fresh water
- **80%** self-sufficient in energy with renewable resources
- **185** tons/day valuable resource of biosolids (organic fertilizer, soil conditioner, energy recovery, etc.). Landfill for now.



# As-Samra, a Social and Transfer Knowledge Success

- **Up to 2,500** jobs created during construction
- **220** long-term jobs created
- **99.5%** Jordanian employees and 70% from local areas
- Transfer of Know-how and industry best practices
- O&M staff became specialists for other projects over the world



ISO 9001 (Quality Management)

ISO 14001 (Environment)    ISO 18001 (Health & Safety)

ISO 50001 (Energy)    ISO 55001 (Asset)



# As-Samra, a Contractual and Financial Success

- **Long term BOT contract** resulting in sustainability backed by the support of Government's vision and commitment
- **Successful structuring** of deal by aligning the interest of all parties with more risk transfer to private sector
- **Affordable tariff to Gov.** viability gap funding through USAID and MCC
- **Lower cost to farmers** encouraging less use of fresh water

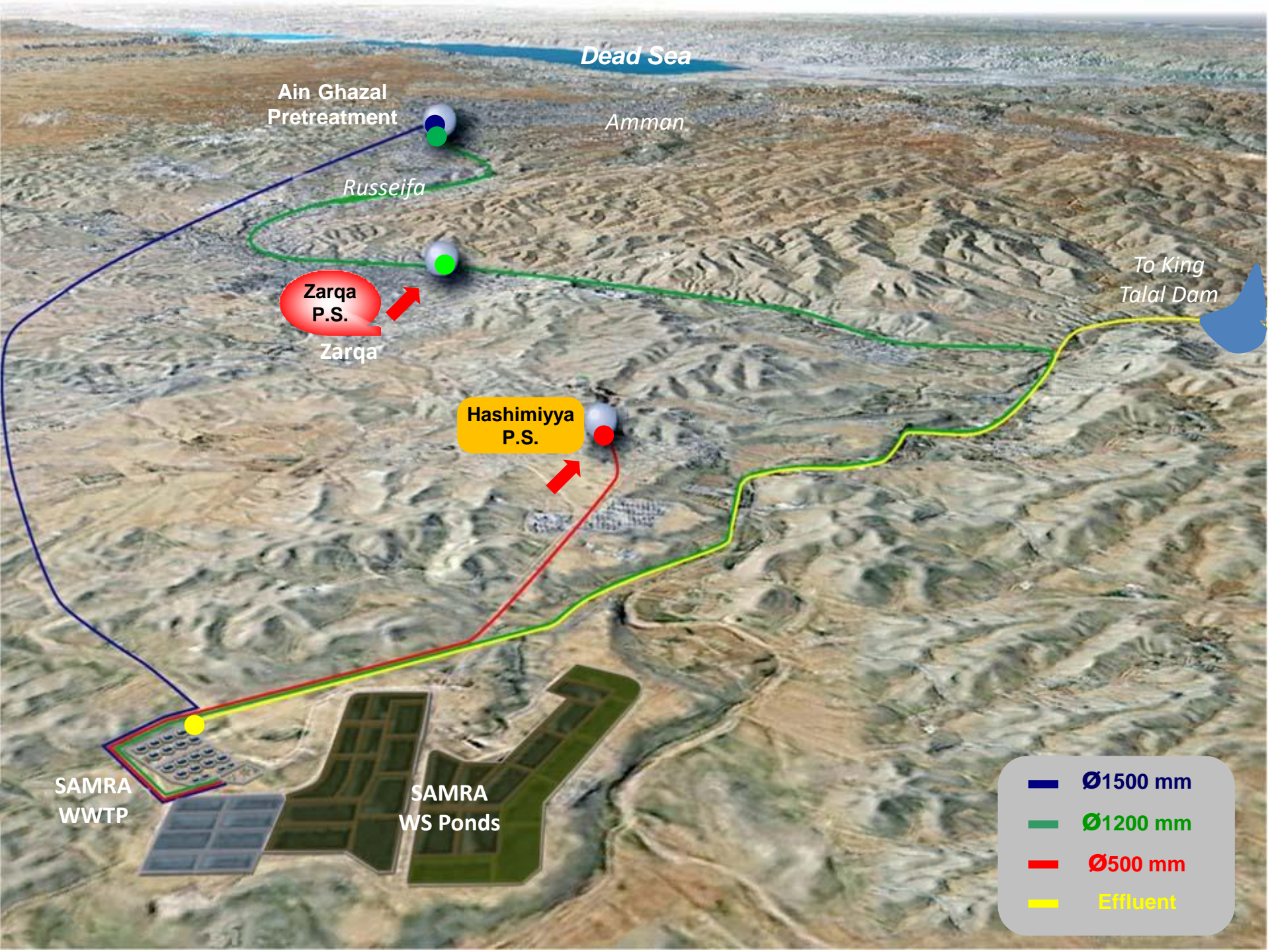


- WEX global award for innovation for 2013
- World finance infrastructure award for 2013
- King Abdullah Stamp for excellence



# EXTRA SLIDES





Dead Sea

Ain Ghazal  
Pretreatment

Amman

Russeifa

Zarqa P.S.  
Zarqa

Hashimiyya  
P.S.

To King  
Talal Dam

SAMRA  
WWTP

SAMRA  
WS Ponds

- Ø1500 mm
- Ø1200 mm
- Ø500 mm
- Effluent





# Key figures of electricity production

- Production with hydraulic turbines:
  - Total power: 4.2 MW
  - Benefits from geographical site location
  - 2 x Pelton (inlet) + 3 x Francis (outlet)



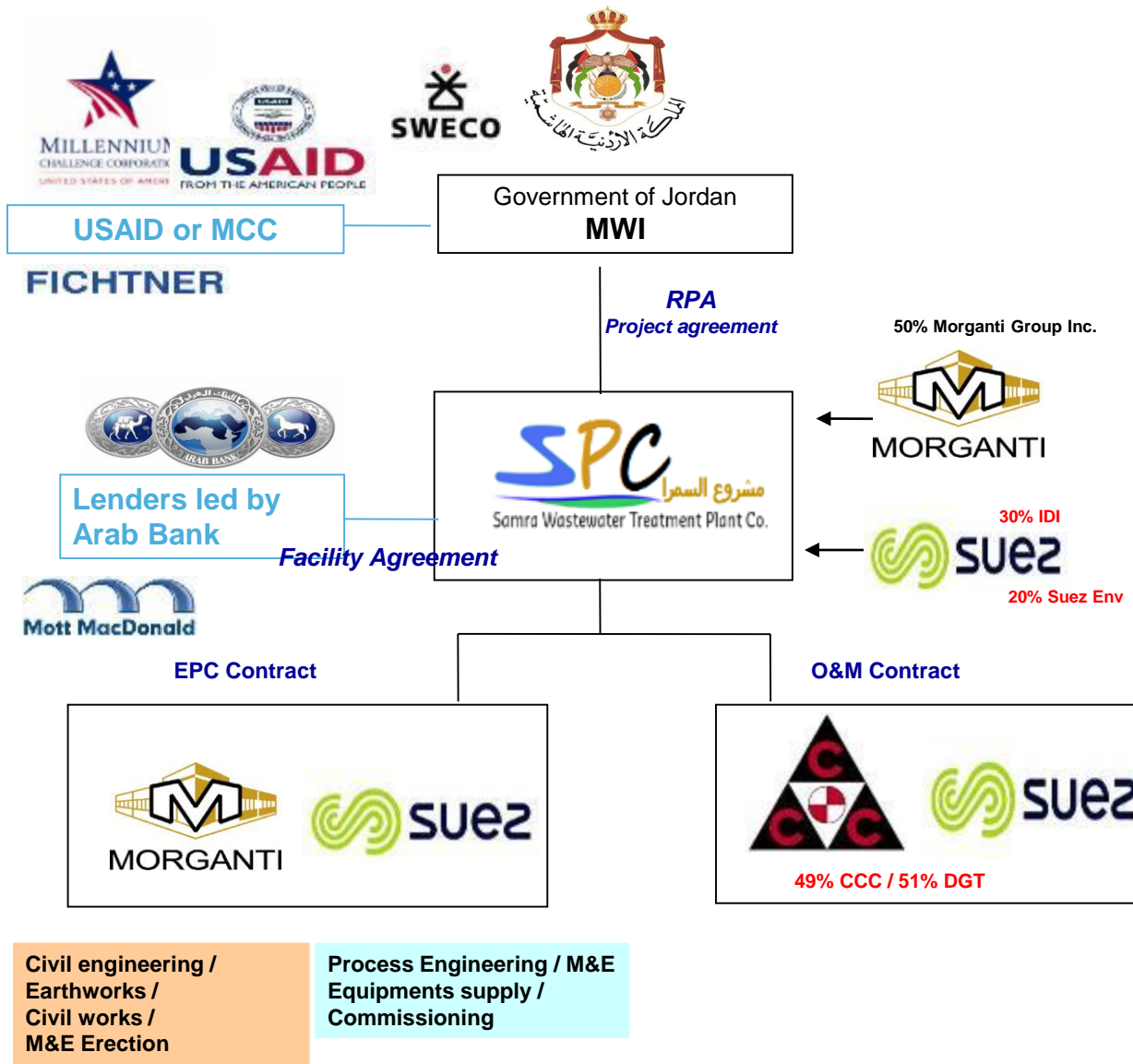
- Production with biogas generators:
  - Total power: 9.5 MW
  - Gas produced by digestion process
  - Need of H<sub>2</sub>S removal treatment
  - 10 x Caterpillar gensets



- Total Production: 75 GWH/y



# Samra BOT – Contractual Structure & Stakeholders



- **Client:** Government of Jordan represented by the Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI)
- **Donor:** USAID for phase I and Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) for phase II
- **Grant Fund Manager:** Millennium Challenge Account (MCA-Jordan).
- **Authorities Engineer:** SWECO for phase I and Fichtner (+ local consultant Eco Consult) for phase II
- **Project Companies:** Samra Wastewater Treatment Plant Company Ltd. (SPC) and Samra Plant Operation and Maintenance Co. Ltd. (O&M).
- **Sponsors:** Suez/ IDI and Morganti-CCC
- **Lenders:** Lender Syndicate led by Arab Bank
- **Lenders Advisor:** Mott MacDonald