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Brief: The water-energy-food nexus is central to sustainable development. Demand for all three is rapidly increasing, driven by population growth, changing diets and economic growth. According to the UN, agriculture is the largest consumer of the world's freshwater resources and more than one-quarter of the energy used globally is expended on food production. Climate change and desertification are creating a bottleneck which requires immediate action. This introductory article should encourage the reader to consider these issues as a connected trilemma and highlight specific areas where increased energy efficiency can help agriculture and our precious water resources to create a more sustainable future for our planet.