Formal and informal coordination and involvement

- Procedures; international, national, private
- Consultation to reach objectives together
- Understanding the objectives together
- Agreeing on work together
- Do we get there together?



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Formal arenas for cooperation

- National authorities
 - Realities are understood top down
 - Objectives are ambitious, following commitments
- Regional authorities
 - Provide arenas for coordination across sectors
 - Overarching involvement
- Local authorities
 - Best knowledge about actual situation
 - Proximity to water bodies





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Informal arenas to achieve objectives

- Advantages:
 - Assistance in identification of relevant projects
 - Positive connection to public management & politics
 - Ownership
 - Enthousiasm
 - Door-openers and facilitators
 - Promoters



Strategic choices

- Target: improve and / or safeguard water environment
 - Create understanding
 - Teach
 - Share knowledge, where to look?
- Invite stakeholders and interest groups
 - Identify threatening challenges together
 - Mobilize authorities
 - Create ownership
 - Prioritize according to objectives
 - Create results



Our experience

- Increases attention, interest and knowledge
- Increases potential for new efforts
- Increases formal follow-up
- Increases sharing of know-how
- Increases entrepreneurship
- Improves water environment



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