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Interactive Online Session:
**Water Diplomacy and
Negotiation**

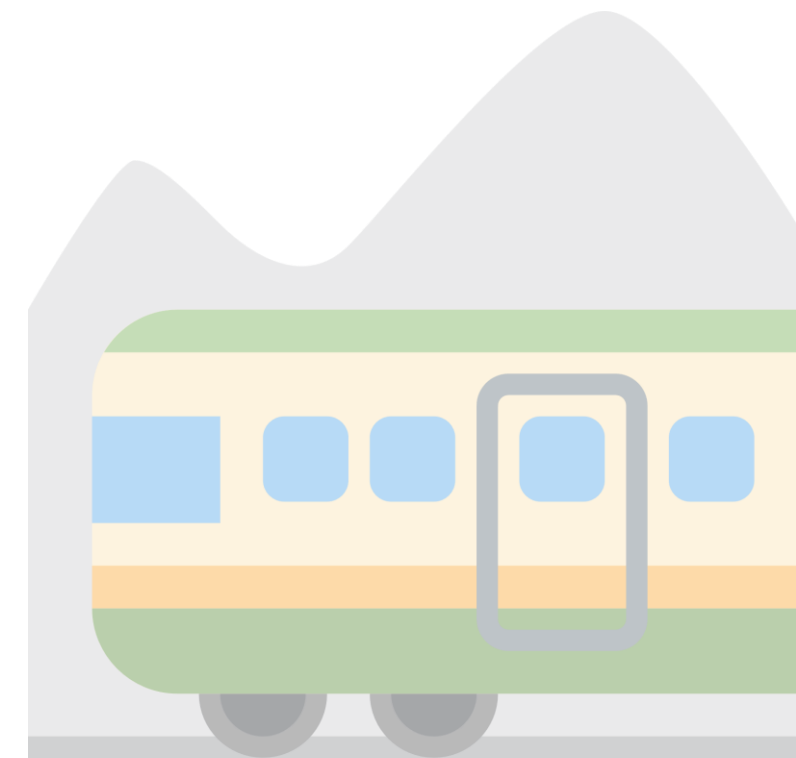
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Event Moderator



Dr. Yumiko Yasuda

Senior Network and Transboundary Water Cooperation Specialist, GWP

- Yumiko leads GWP's thematic work on transboundary water, and is the lead faculty of the MOOC on Transboundary Freshwater Security, designed and directed the production of the course.
- Her area of expertise lies in the analysis of water and environmental governance, water diplomacy, political economy analysis surrounding natural resources management, with a focus on transboundary rivers and non-state actors' engagements in natural resources management.
- Dr. Yasuda obtained her PhD degree from the Centre for Water Law, Policy and Science at the University of Dundee, MA in environmental policy from the Tufts University, and MSc in environmental science from Tsukuba University. Her research on the Mekong has culminated in the publication of a book entitled "Rules, Norms and NGO Advocacy Strategies: Hydropower Development on the Mekong River" by Routledge in 2015.

Fun fact! Yumiko performed stand-up comedy in Scotland.



**The biggest achievement in life:
Still working on it!**

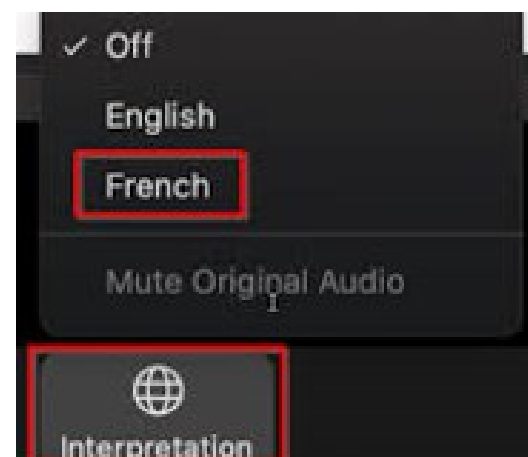
'Season 2' Session Series

Session Topic	Date
Session 7: IWL & International Dispute Settlement (21 September 2021): What are the linkages between international water law and dispute settlement? What are the historical and ongoing cases? What are the steps to solve and international dispute? What is the role of the International Court of Justice (ICJ)?	21 September
Session 8: The Source-to-Sea Approach in International Water Law (19 October 2021): What are the rules of international law that govern the marine interface? How can we manage these different parts of the marine environment holistically in coherent legal frameworks? What are examples of best practices at the intersection of the marine and riverine environment?	19 October
Session 9: Water Diplomacy & Negotiation (16 November 2021): How can water diplomacy enhance cooperation and prevent conflicts? What are the actual practices used in negotiations? What is the role of the international community and stakeholders to prevent or resolve conflicts over transboundary waters?	16 November



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Event Chairs



Dr. Yumiko Yasuda

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Dr. Martina Klimes

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Advisor for Water & Peace, Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) and the International Centre for Water Cooperation (ICWC)

- Martina has 15 years of experience working with dialogue facilitation, conflict resolution, political and security analysis, including practical work in the field and informal diplomacy processes. Her main focus is on water diplomacy and water cooperation, climate and security, dialogue facilitation, incentives, and third party involvement in negotiation processes.
- Martina's book *Using Carrots to Bring Peace? Negotiation and Third Party Involvement* (World Scientific, 2016) focuses primarily on the effectiveness of aid conditionality and other external tools that third parties - from states and regional organizations to NGOs - bring to the table in peace negotiations. In 2019, Martina was the editor of Special Issue on Water Diplomacy of the *Journal of Hydrology*.
- Martina holds a PhD degree in International Relations and is a member of the Scientific Programme Committee (SPC) of the World Water Week and Associated Research Fellow at the Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP) in Stockholm.

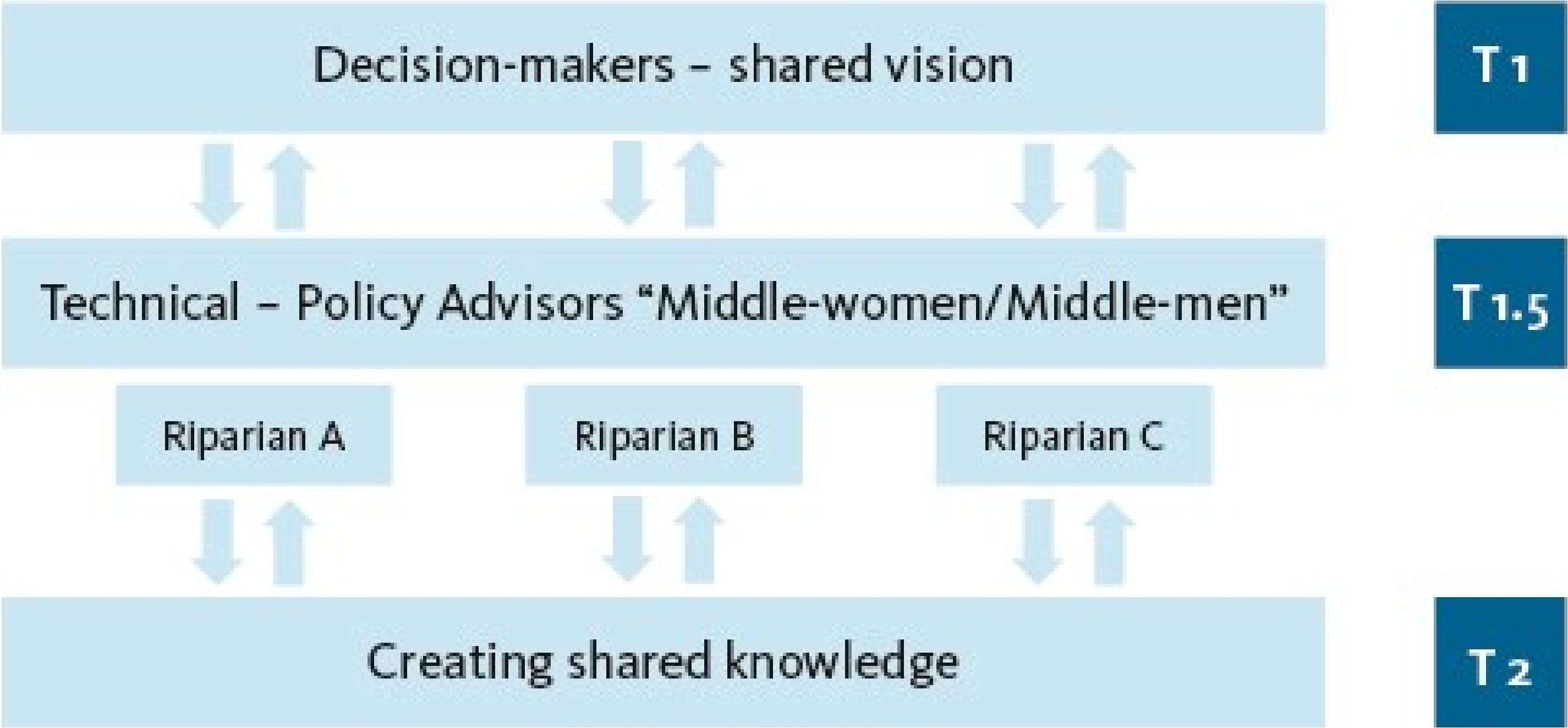
“ **The art of diplomacy is about finding sustainable solutions based on cooperation and reframing of zero-sum thinking about the conflict narrative. One of the most pressing issues in water diplomacy is therefore how to build sufficient political will to support necessary compromises needed for cooperation without politicizing the disputed issue.** ”

Fun fact! When living in Taiwan, Martina contributed to TEDxTaipei with a talk on reframing conflicts.



Dr. Martina Klimes

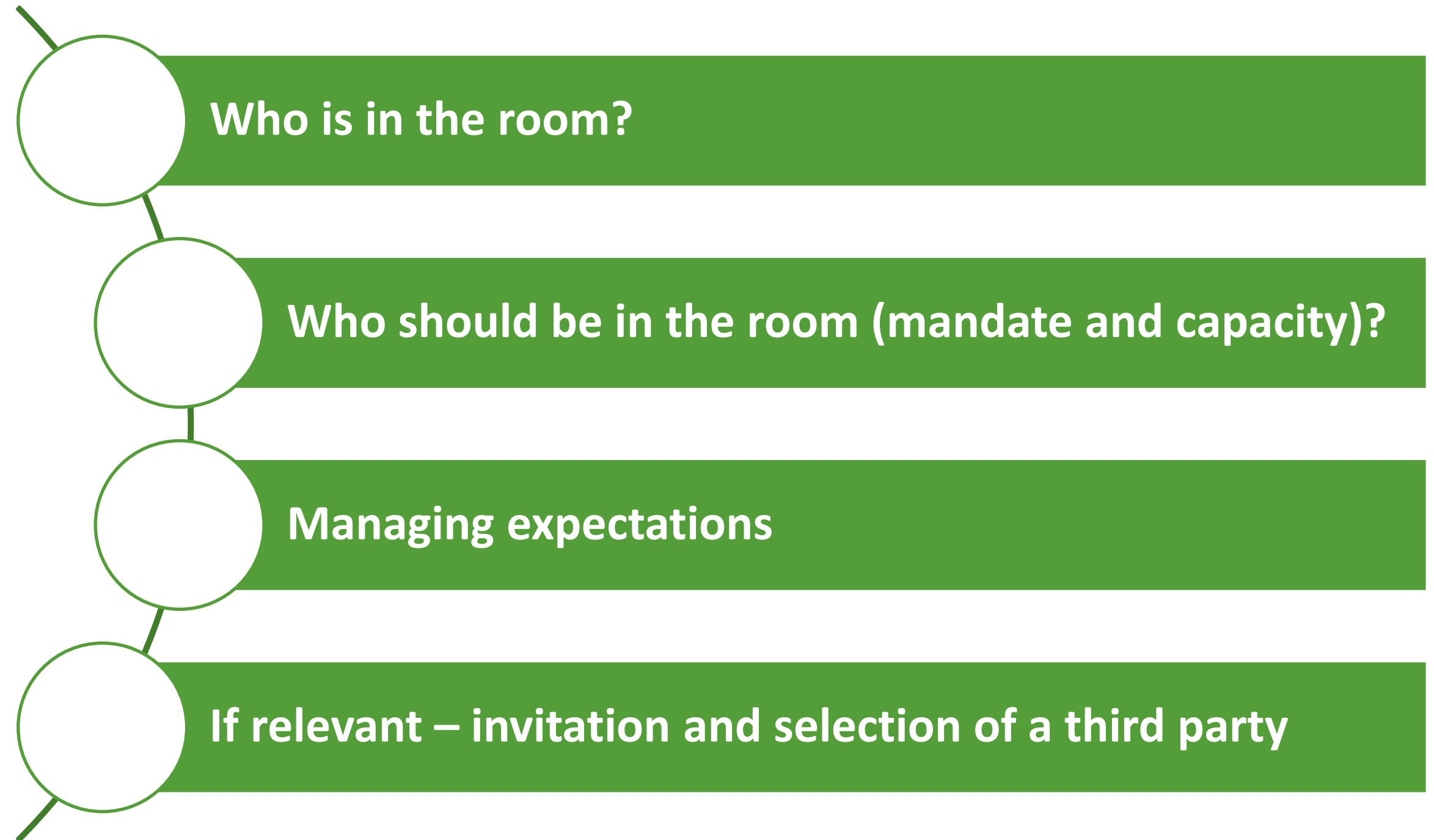
Dialogue nexus – track linkages



Klimes, Martina & Yaari, Elizabeth (2019). Water Security in the Middle East – Opportunities and Challenges for Water Diplomacy. *Routledge Handbook on Middle East Security*, Routledge, London.



Getting started – dialogue setting



Speakers

- 1. Professor Aaron Wolf**, Professor of Geography in the College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences at Oregon State University and Professor at IHE-Delft,
- 2. Dr. Hassan Janabi**, former Minister of Water Resources, Iraq and former Ambassador of Iraq to the Republic of Turkey,
- 3. Dr. Zodwa Dlamini**, Former Chief Delegate of Republic of South Africa on the Lesotho Highlands Water Commission.



Professor of Geography, College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences, Oregon State University



Dr. Aaron T. Wolf

- Aaron T. Wolf, PhD, is also a professor at IHE-Delft since 2020, a Member of the Board of the International Centre for Water Cooperation (ICWC) since August 2021, and a trained water conflict mediator and facilitator. His research and teaching focus is on the interaction between water science and water policy, particularly as related to conflict prevention and resolution.
- He has acted as consultant to US Government agencies, the World Bank, and several international governments and organizations on various aspects of transboundary water resources and dispute resolution. All told, he is (co-)author or (co-)editor of seven books, as well as close to 100 journal articles, book chapters, and professional reports on various aspects of transboundary waters, from the local scale to the international.
- He directs the Program in Water Conflict Management and Transformation, through which he has offered workshops, facilitations, and mediation in basins throughout the world. He also facilitates in faith and interfaith communities based on the work of his most recent book, *The Spirit of Dialogue: Lessons from Faith Traditions in Transforming Conflict* (Island Press, 2017).

"War over water seems neither strategically rational, hydrologically effective, nor economically viable."



Fun fact! Aaron was an "ordinary seaman" in the US Merchant Marines for a year, visiting port cities around world and traversing the Panama Canal.



Former Minister of Water Resources, Iraq and former Ambassador of Iraq to the Republic of Turkey



H.E. Hassan Janabi

- H.E. Hassan Janabi has served in numerous foreign policy capacities H.E. Janabi held the position of Minister of Water Resources, Iraq and prior to that served as Ambassador of Iraq to various countries and international organisations.
- A frequent guest speaker at major international and UN meetings in the Middle East and beyond, H.E Hassan Janabi provides insightful views on issues related to human and natural resources development in the Western Asian region.
- H.E. Janabi is also a writer and a lecturer on socio-economic development in the Middle East focusing on food and water security, poverty reduction, rural development, water scarcity, ecosystem restoration and preservation, land conservation, climate change adaptation, international law and shared water resources.

"The 1st step to achieve peace is to avoid confrontation."



Fun fact! Mark Twain said: "Water is for fighting over, whiskey is for drinking". Hassan Janabi doesn't agree!!



Former South Africa Chief Delegate and Permanent Representative on the Lesotho Highlands Water Commission (LHWC)

- Dr Zodwa Dlamini (South Africa) is a seasoned international transboundary water management specialist, development professional, and senior infrastructure projects manager.
- As the former South Africa Chief Delegate and Permanent Representative on the Lesotho Highlands Water Commission (LHWC) for 11 years, she oversaw the Lesotho Highlands Water Project (LHWP) and its implementation. The LHWP is a binational project between the government of the Republic South Africa and the Kingdom of Lesotho responsible for delivering water from the highlands of Lesotho to South Africa and utilising the water delivery system to generate 72MW hydro-electric power for the Kingdom of Lesotho.
- LHWP is Africa's largest water transfer scheme to date. Dr Dlamini further ensured that gender policies in the LHWP are intentional and decisive in matters of gender inclusivity and participation of women. It was during her tenure when the LHDA first appointed a woman Chief Executive Officer (CEO) in over 20 years of its existence.

“**Water diplomacy is about building authentic relations so that water accessibility is always at the core of everything else.**”

Fun fact: Zodwa just loves travelling.



Dr. Zodwa Dlamini





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Lessons from Hydrodiplomacy

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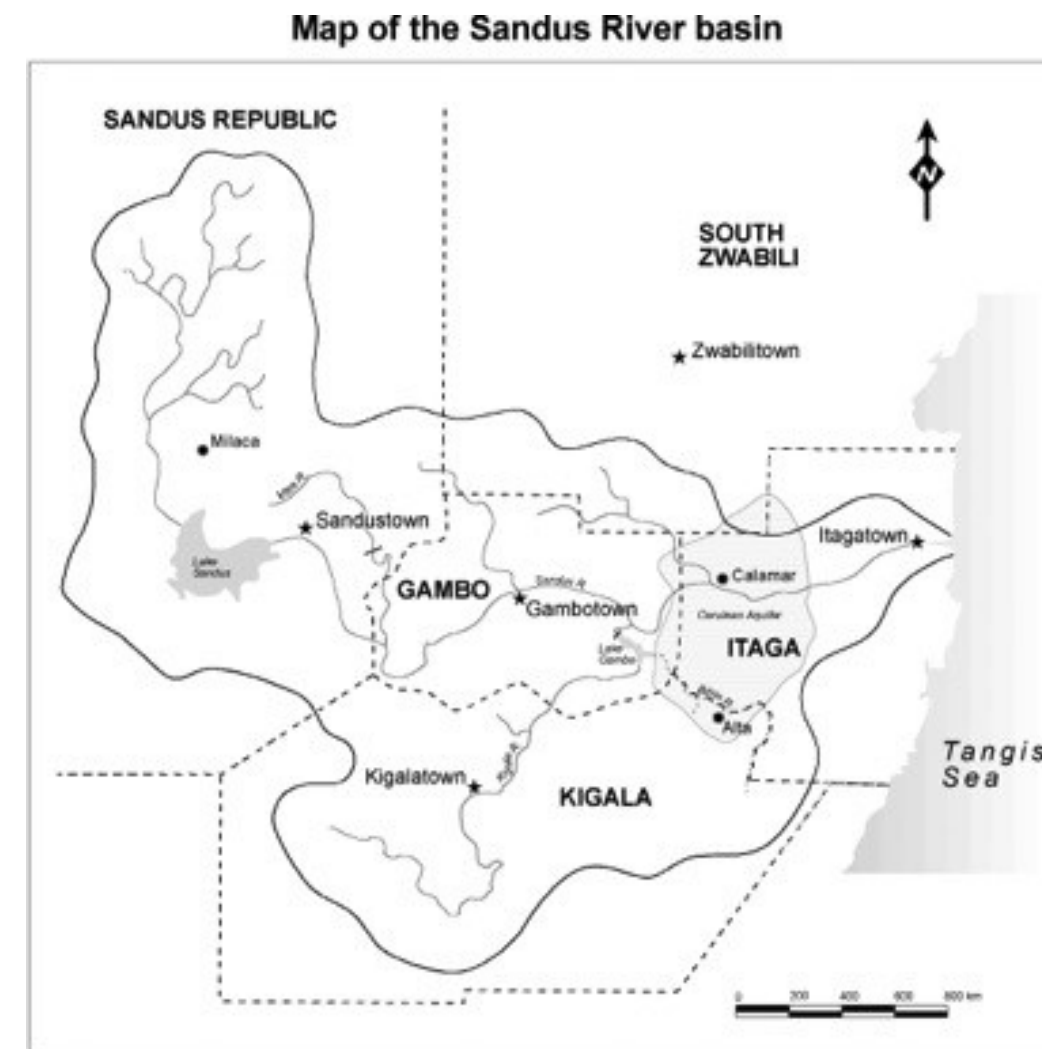
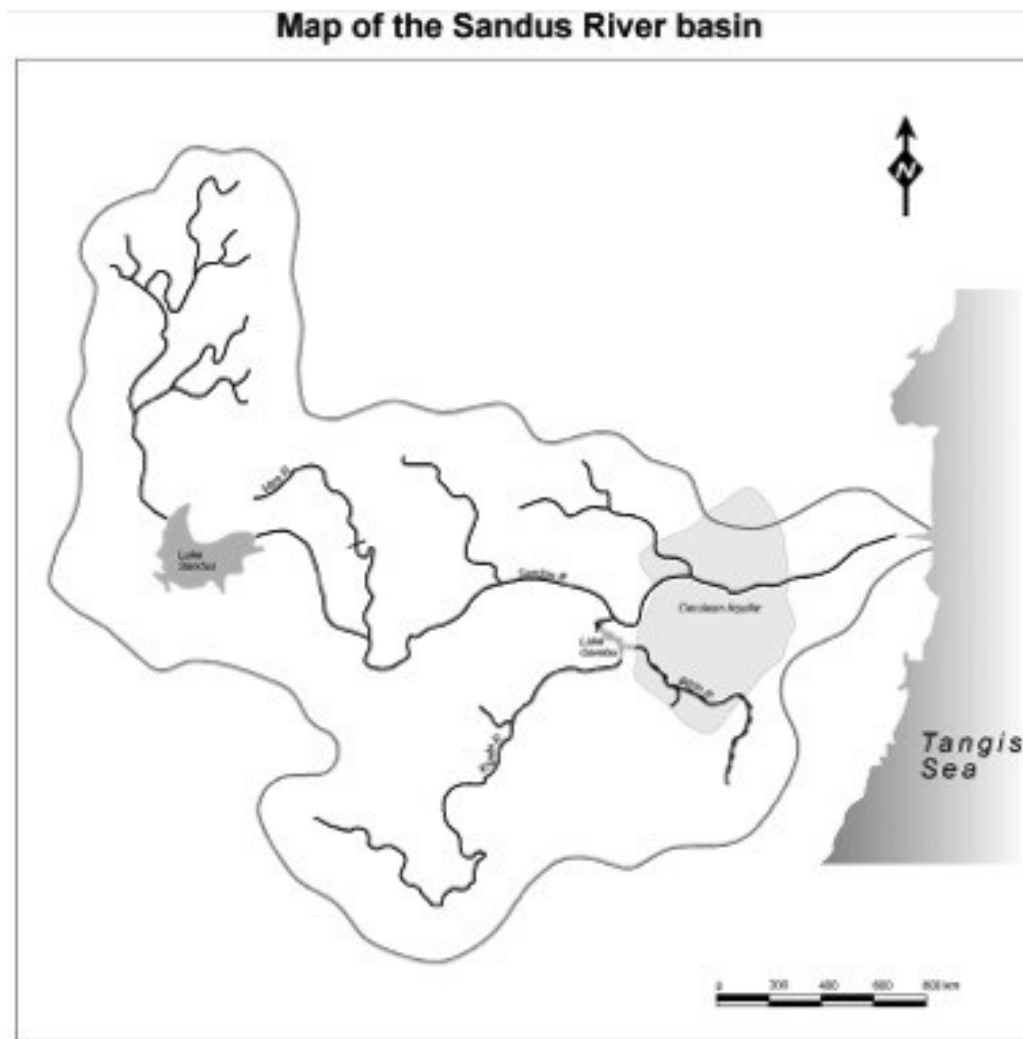
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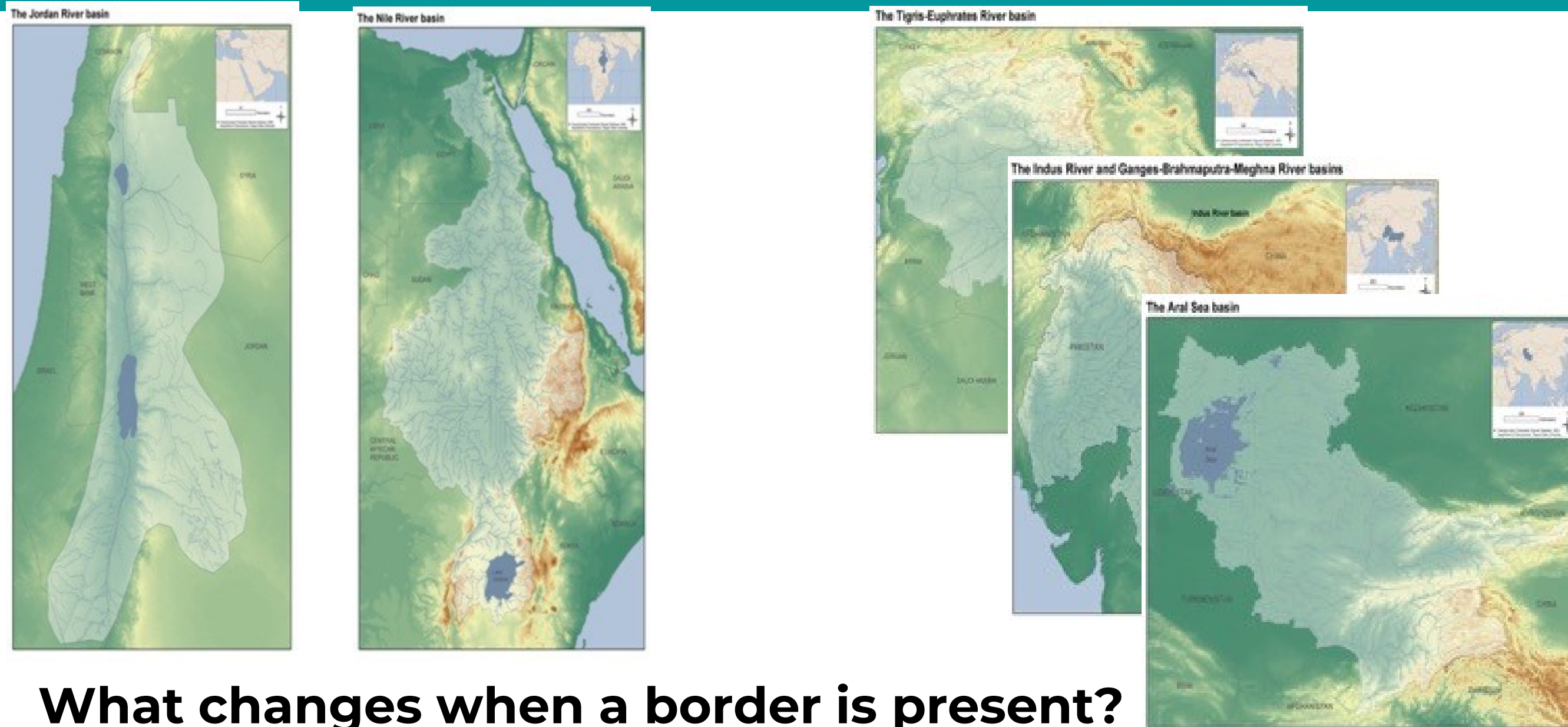
What *is* Water Conflict Management & Transformation??



**What changes when a border is present?
What capacity do we need to address the change?**



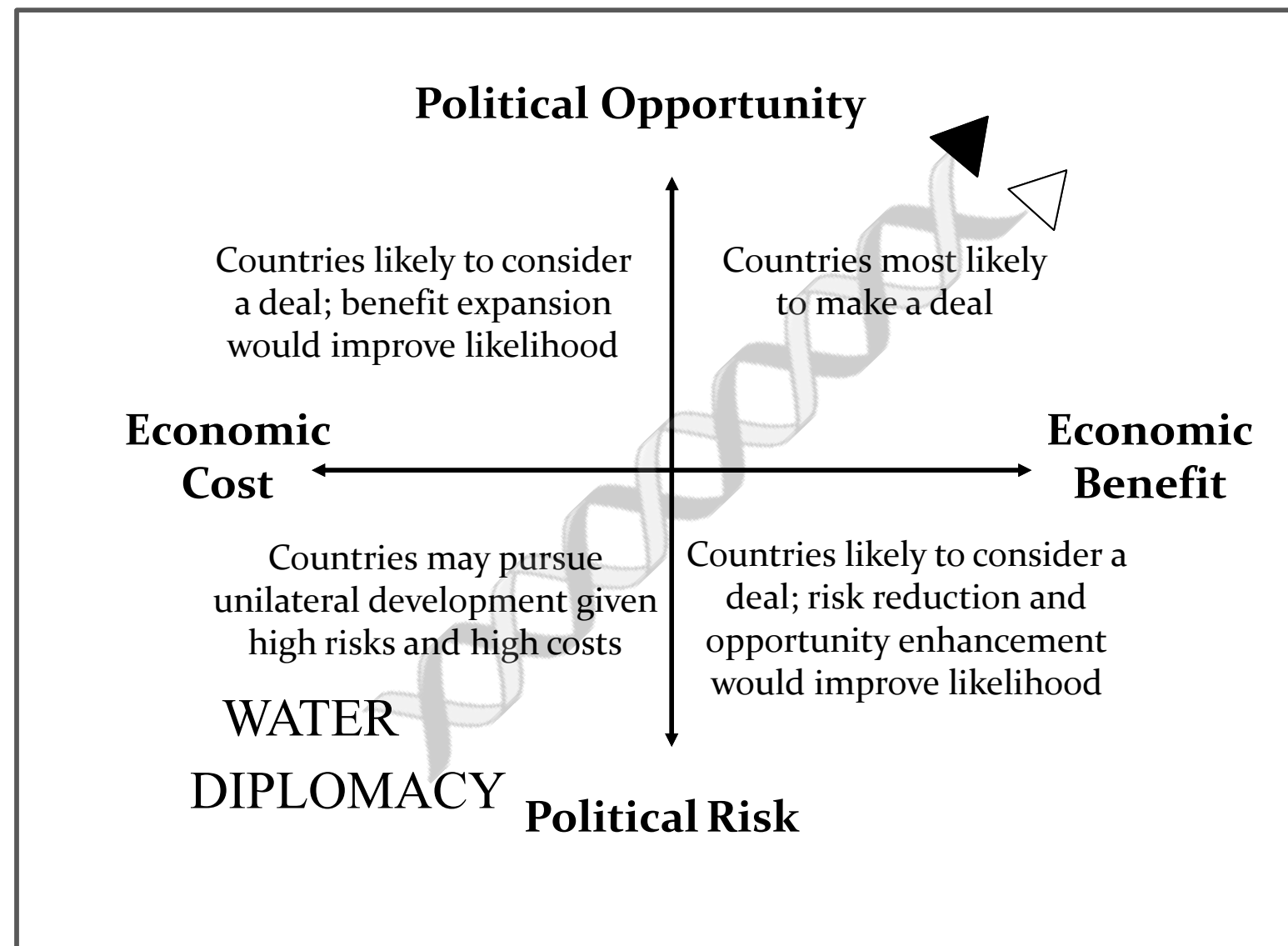
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Framework for Analysis Benefits, Risks, and Opportunities



Source: Subramanian, Brown & Wolf 2013



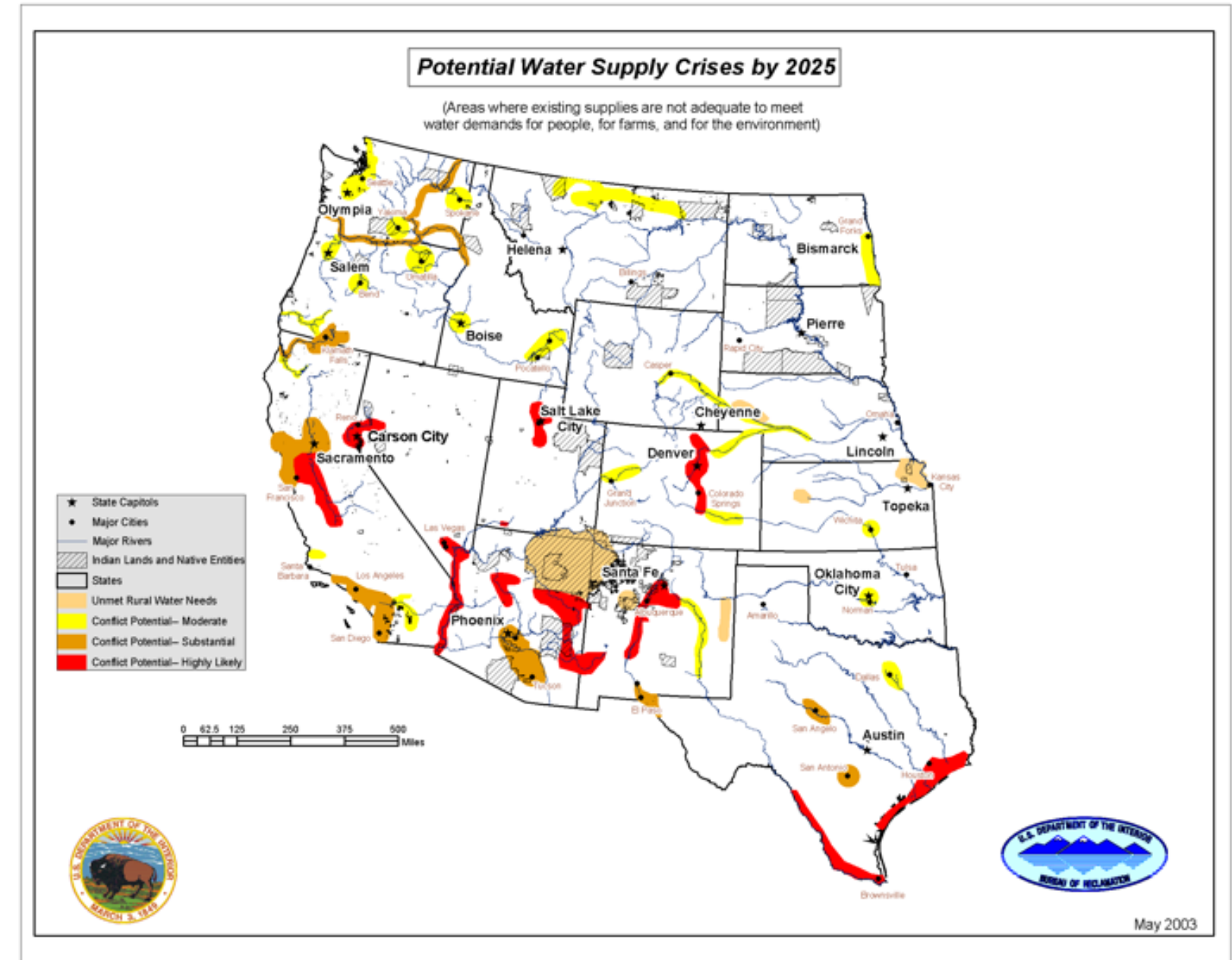
Lesson 1:

“Process is everything.”



Management & Conflict Management

- Managers reported that they routinely spent 50-100% of their time managing water conflict
- The higher the management level, the more time was spent in managing conflict
- Training across levels was sporadic
- Is conflict rewarded?



Lesson 2:

“The process is not rational.”



GETTING TO “YES”

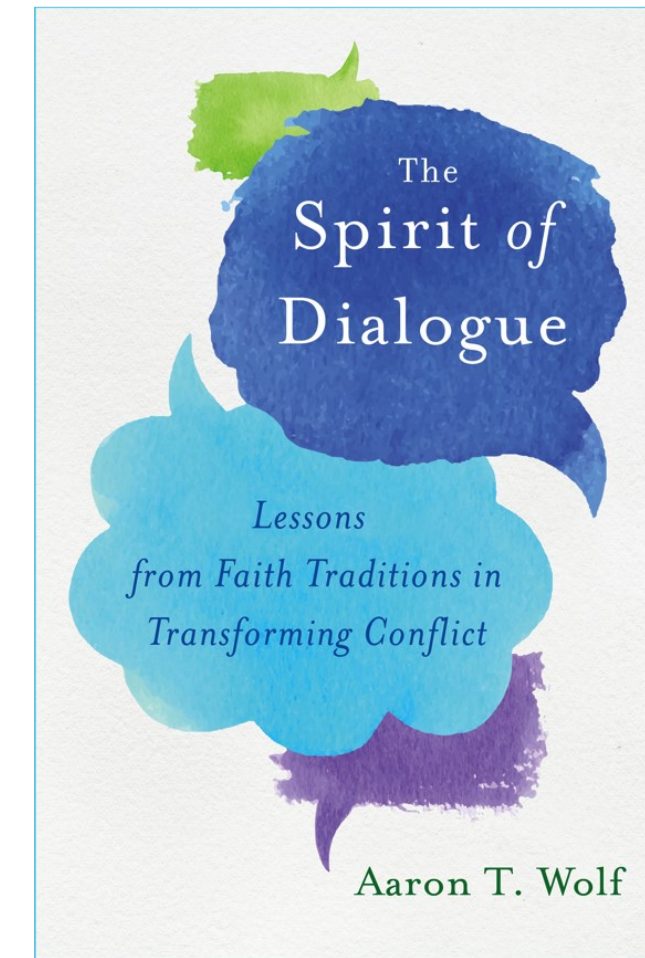
- Separate the PEOPLE from the problem
- Focus on INTERESTS, not positions
- Invent OPTIONS for mutual gain
- Insist on Objective CRITERIA

Source: Fisher R. and W. Ury. GETTING TO YES. NY: Penguin, 1981.



PROCESS TECHNIQUES

- SEATING ARRANGEMENT
- SHARED VISION EXERCISES
- VENTING
- ACTIVE & TRANSFORMATIVE LISTENING
 - Repeat main points
 - "I" not "you"
 - Future not history
- LETTING GO OF OWNERSHIP
- BREAKS FOR CONNECTING



Sulha: Reconciliation

- From musalaha, reconciliation: hostilities ended, honor re-established, and peace restored in the community.
- Two basic elements: rights and honor.
- Tarrahdhin: “Resolution of a conflict that involves no humiliation.”



Source: Jabbour, Elias. *Sulha: Palestinian Traditional Peacemaking Process*.
Montreat, NC: House of Hope Pub, 1993.



Kampung Spirit: Singapore Kindness Movement

- Spirit of neighborliness of village life
- Being revived for vertical living
- Community Mediation Centre – 70% of cases resolved
- Community Disputes Resolution Tribunals, since Oct. 2015



Lesson 3:

**“If you get stuck on a problem,
reframe for inclusion.”**





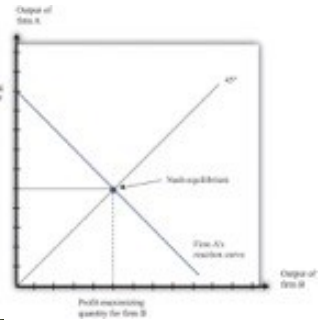


Lesson 4:

The Four Worlds Within & Without



Four Worlds in Water:

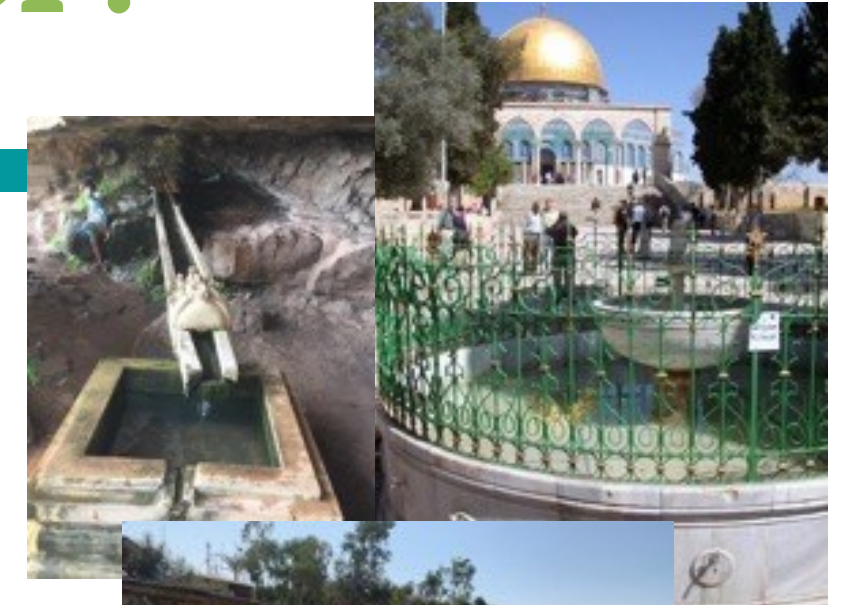


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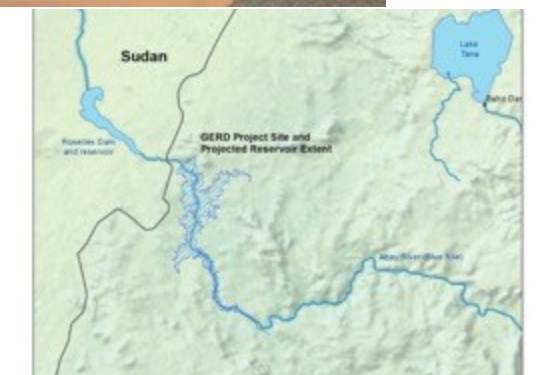
Physical



Spiritual



Emotional



Elevating the Conversation (cont.)



Egyptian Coptic Church tapped to play the role of mediator in Nile River dispute - Al-Monitor: The Pulse of the Middle East



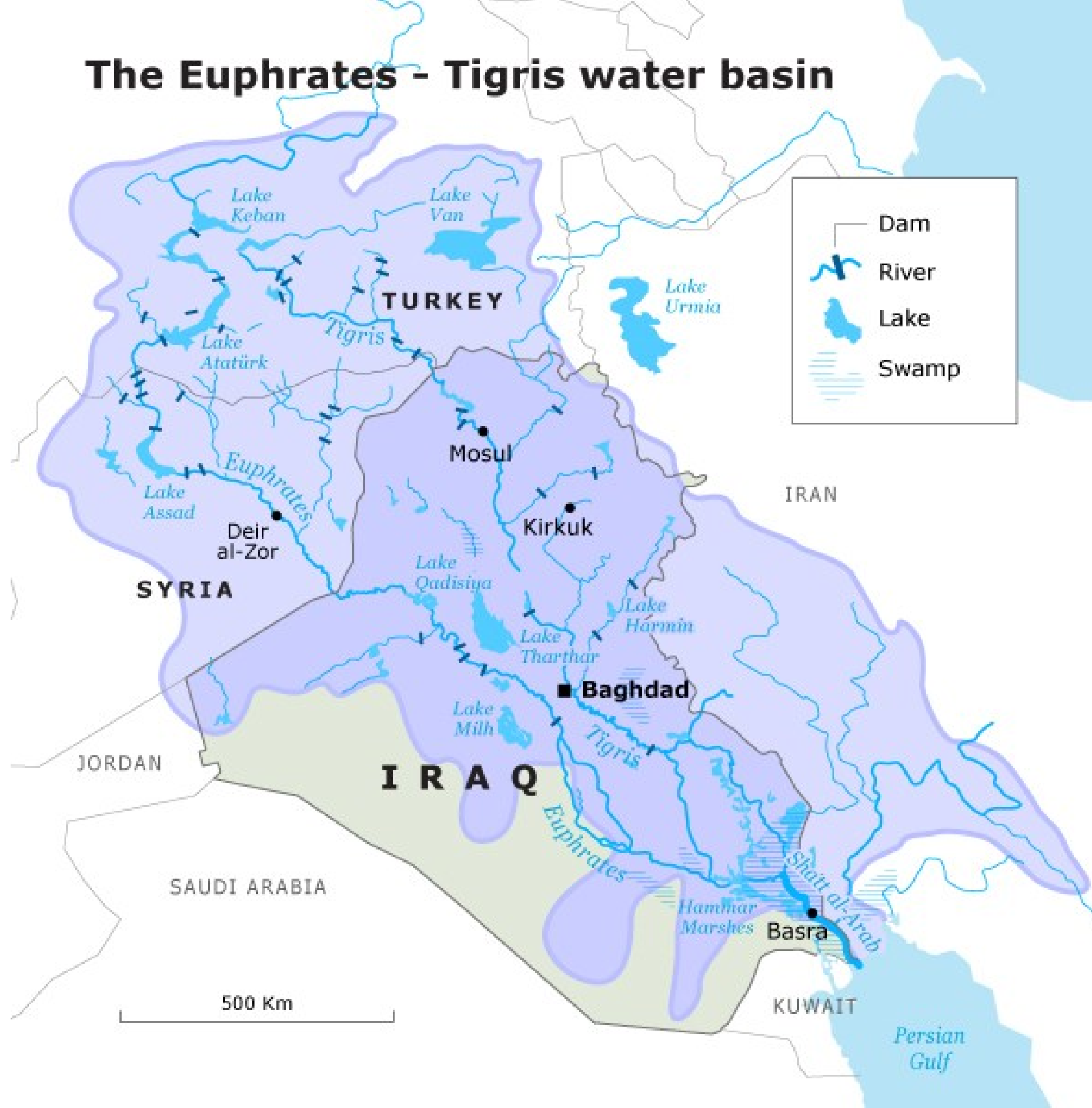
Coptic Pope Tawadros II (R), head of the Coptic Orthodox Church, shakes hands with former army chief Abdel Fattah el-Sisi upon Sisi's arrival for a visit the night before Easter, in Cairo, April 19, 2014. Sisi was elected president a month later. (photo by REUTERS)



Thank you!



The Euphrates - Tigris water basin

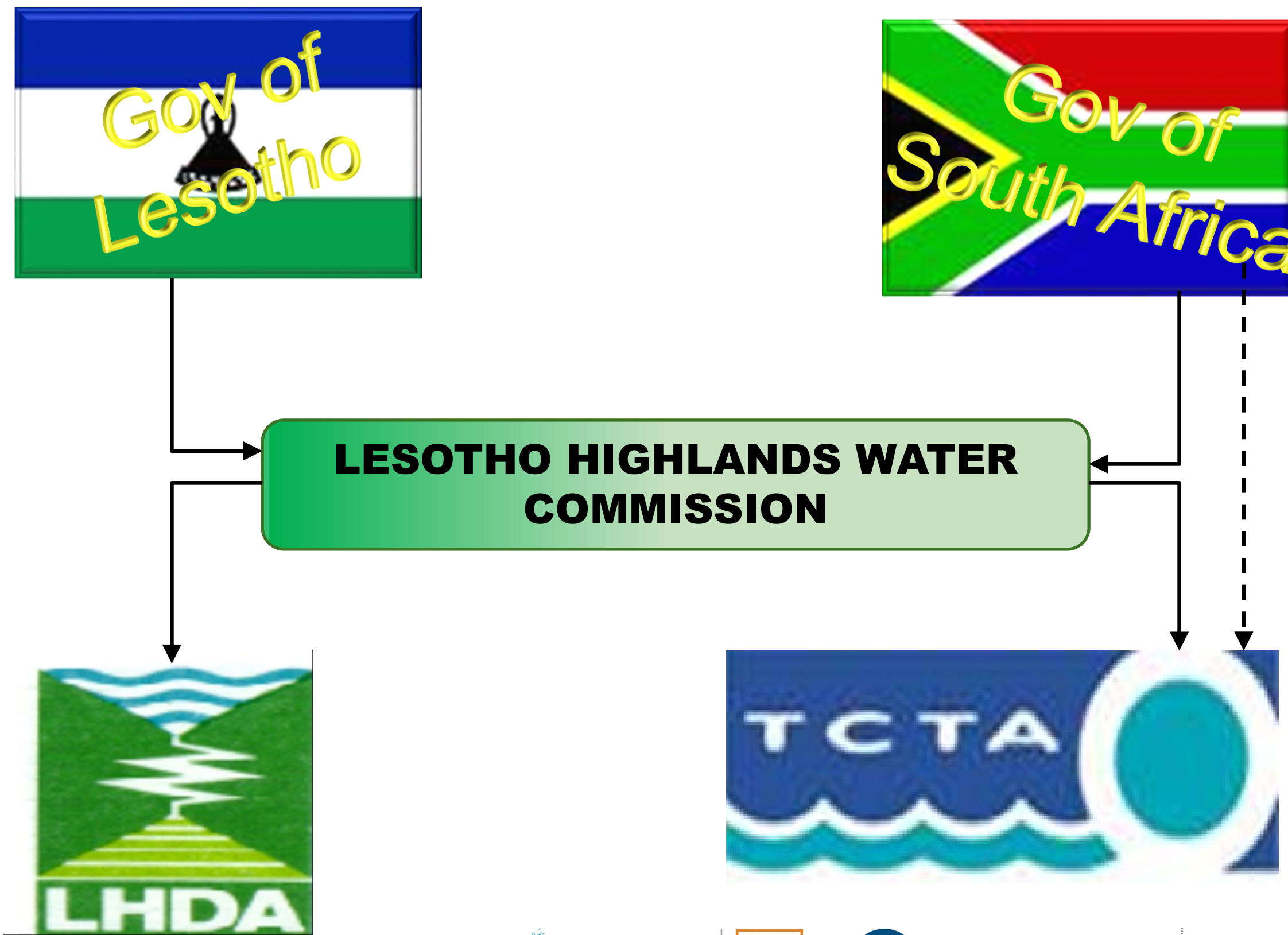


WATER DIPLOMACY NEGOTIATING TRANSBOUNDARY AGREEMENTS

- When negotiating the Lesotho Highlands Water Project (LHWP) Phase II between the Kingdom of the Government of Lesotho and the Republic of South Africa, the following are some of the pillars employed:
- LHWP Treaty of 1986 between South Africa and Lesotho
- SADC Protocols 2000
- International Laws
- Transparency at all times
- Negotiating in Good Faith
- Ensuring that both countries achieve their needs through compromise
- All concluded agreements by various negotiating teams to be signed off and submitted to script writers
- Adoption of Code of Conduct



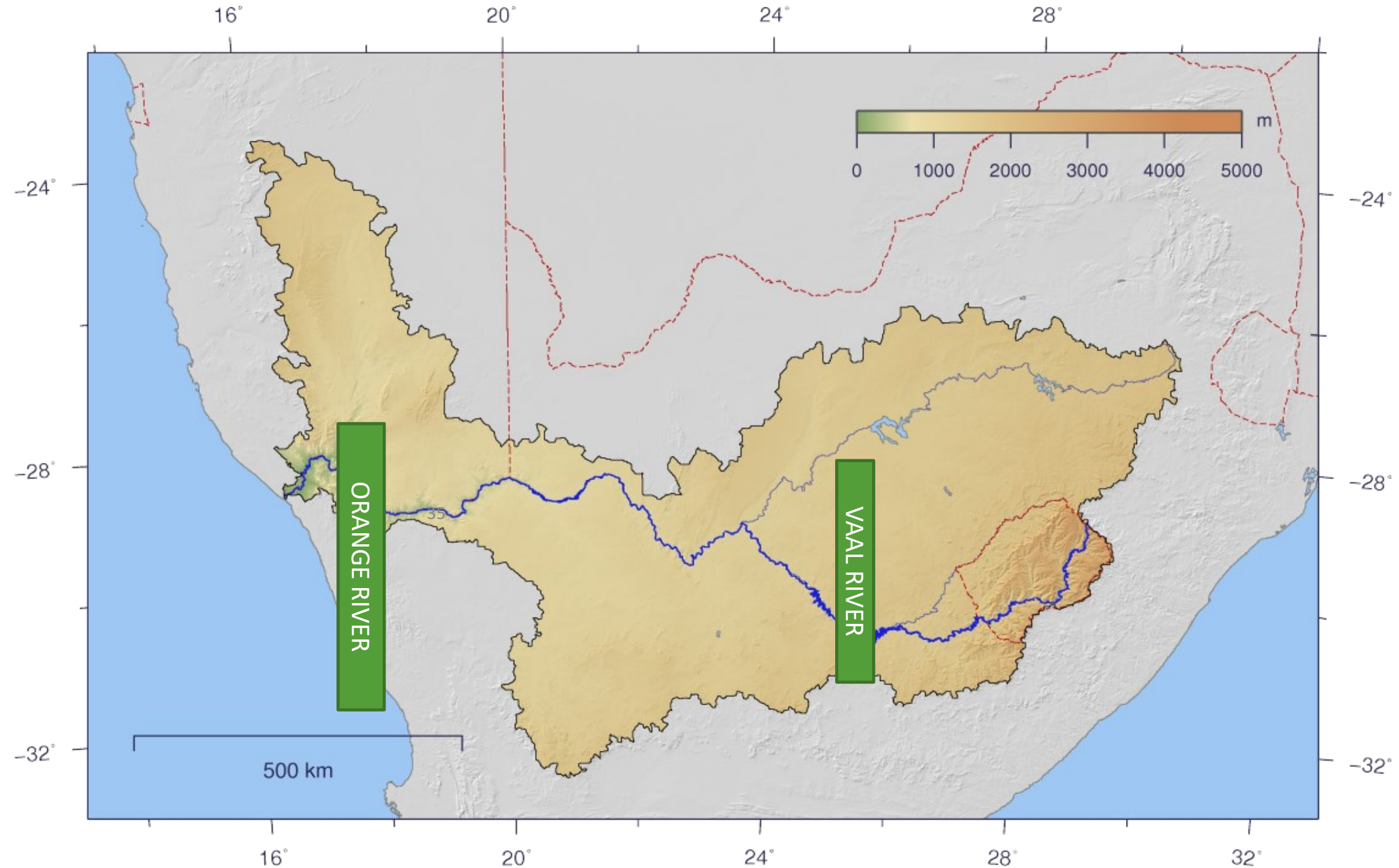
GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LHWP



MAP SHOWING SOUTHERN AFRICA



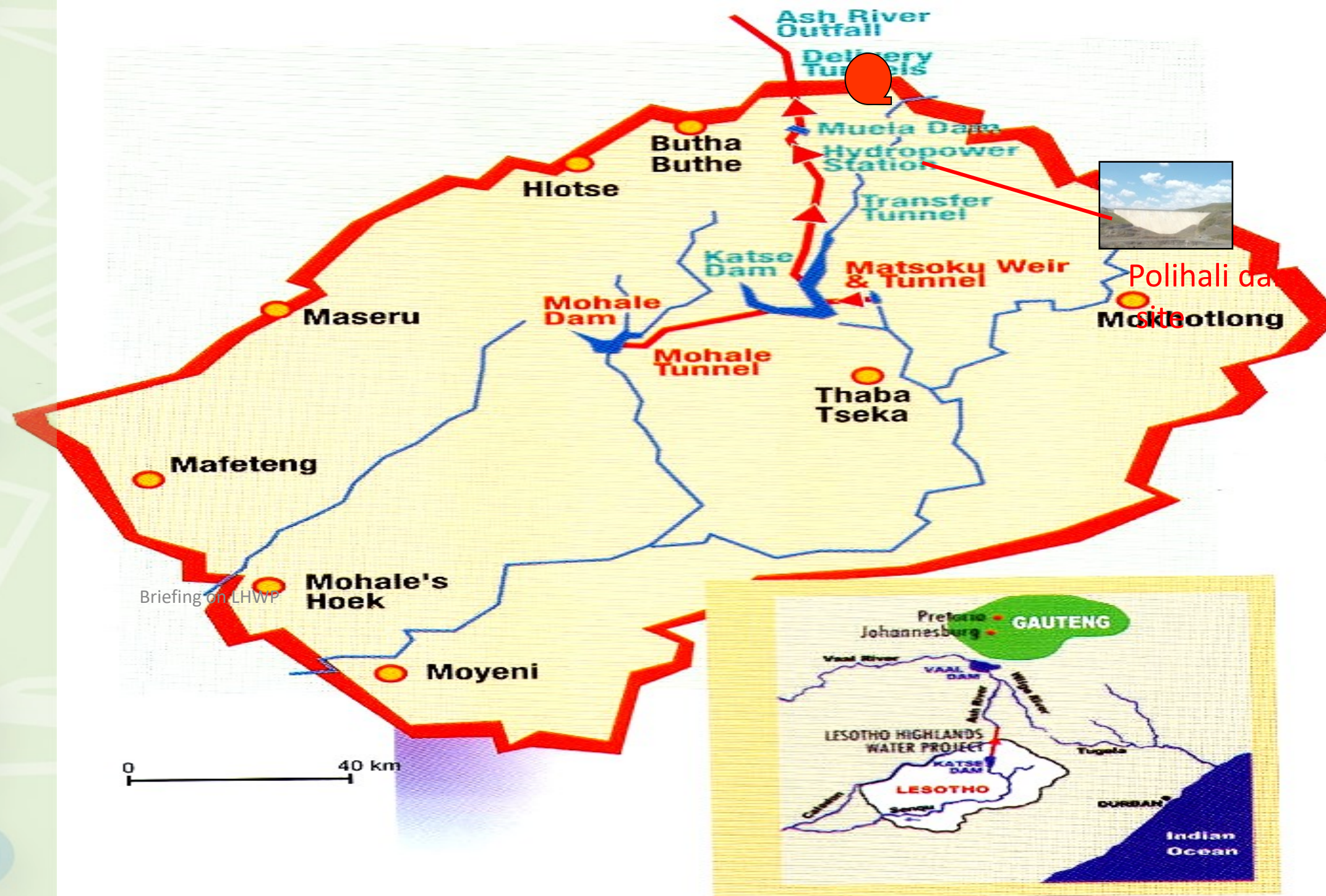
Map Showing Origins Of The Orange And Vaal River



Map Showing LHWP Phase I Infrastructure Negotiated Under the LHWP Treaty Between Lesotho And South Africa



LHWP PHASE II



PHASE 1 INFRASTRUCTURE



1. KATSE DAM (DOUBLE CONCRETE CURVATURE) , 2, MOHALE DAM , 3. MUELA HYDROPOWER STATION 72 MW, 4. ASH RIVER OUTFALL INTO SOUTH AFRICA

CONCLUSION

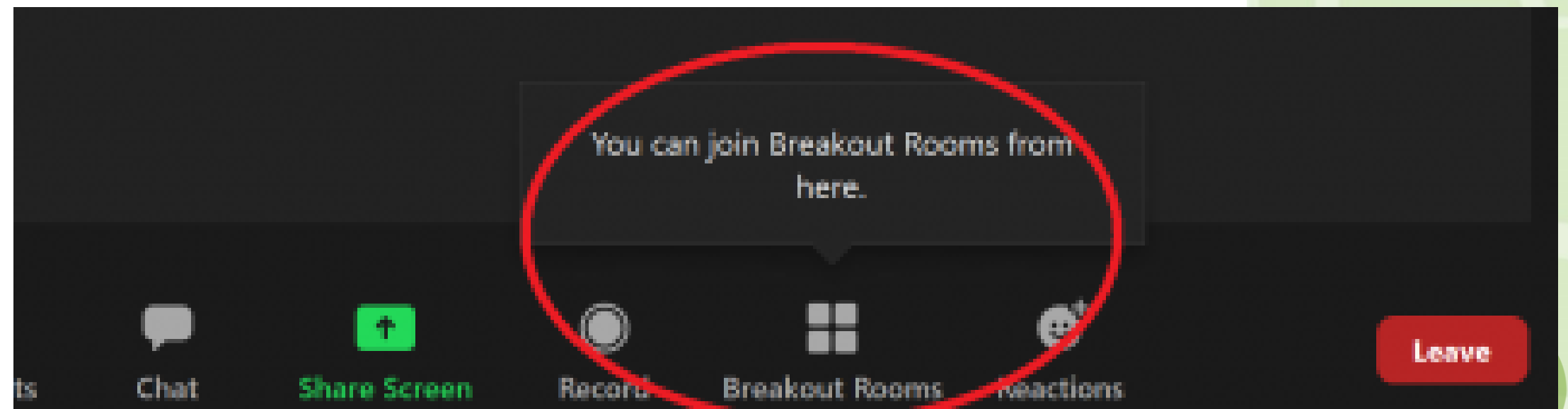
- LHWP Phase II was successfully negotiated and entered into agreement by the two governments of the Kingdom of Lesotho and the Republic of South Africa.
- LHWP Treaty of 1986 between South Africa and Lesotho stated that only phase I of the LHWP is covered by the current treaty and all subsequent Phases to be negotiated separately. This also shows Good Faith
- In terms of the SADC Protocols 2000 and International Water Resources Laws countries upstream were informed prior to the implementation of the Phase II negotiations and reports shared on progress.
- Transparency at all times: Feasibility studies and other research studies were jointly conducted by the two countries through the commission to ensure transparency.
- Negotiating in Good Faith; this was the foundation of the negotiations even when sometimes teams were discouraged and became despondent, the rallying factor was GOOD FAITH
- Ensuring that both countries achieve their needs through compromise and transparency
- Lessons learned from LHWP Phase I ensured that upfront agreements on operations are finalised before entering the real negotiations. For instance, the issue of all concluded agreements by various negotiating teams to be signed off and submitted to script writers was a case in point. This further ensured that there was no waste of time with people renegeing from the agreements.
- Adoption of Code of Conduct ensured that all parties respect the process irrespective of their economic standing.



Let's meet each other!

- **Participants are invited to continue the discussion with the speakers in 4 Breakout Groups. The discussion will last for up to 20 minutes.**
 - **Group 1: Prof Aaron Wolf & Lisa Demydenko**
 - **Group 2: Dr. Hassan Janabi & Katie Goldie-Ryder**
 - **Group 3: Dr. Zodwa Dlamini & Julienne Ndjiki**
 - **Main Room: Martina Klimes and Yumiko Yasuda**

To join the breakout room, please click on the button “Breakout Rooms” and then select preferred Room.





Thanks to all
the speakers
& participants!

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This session will explore ways in which the freshwater and ocean communities can strengthen their collaboration to better understand, monitor and reduce pollution across the source-to-sea continuum of inland, coastal and marine ecosystems.



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