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# Workshop Objectives

- define cooperation in the context of transboundary water management
- identify needs and challenges of policy makers for benefits quantification
- discuss special features of quantifying benefits of transboundary cooperation
- identify a typology of quantifiable benefits of cooperation
- discuss approaches and methods for the quantification of the typology of benefits
- discuss key characteristics of the *Methodological Guidance Note* for the Parties to the Convention and other actors

# Workshop Setting

- understand needs and challenges faced by policy makers
- practical challenges faced by policy makers in using existing approaches and methods for quantifying benefits
- methods experts and policy makers/practitioners bridge the policy-science gap
- insights on range of robust approaches and methods
- stimulate researchers to find innovative ways to value and capitalize on benefits through relevant policy instruments and other transboundary coordination mechanisms

# Workshop Sequence

## Day 1

- understand cooperation in a transboundary water context
- insights from transboundary water cooperation
- breakout sessions – policy and research strands

# Breakout session – policy strand

Discuss:

- needs and challenges of policy makers in context of quantifying benefits of cooperation
- key information requirements on benefit values for policy makers
- best practice examples of quantified benefits
- challenges in quantifying benefits in practice
- policy needs in terms of the methodological guidance note

# Breakout session – research strand

Discuss:

- special features of quantifying benefits of transboundary cooperation
- a typology of benefit types
- methods and approaches for quantifying benefits of transboundary cooperation
- benefit types that are most challenging to quantify
- data requirements and research gaps

# Workshop Sequence

## Day 2

- reconcile the results of the break-out sessions
- discuss the policy-science interaction in benefit quantification and practical delivery through novel provision mechanisms
- look at the role of benefit quantification in advancing cooperation
- focus on key characteristics of the Methodological Guidance Note

# Workshop Outputs

- cooperation in transboundary water management defined
- range of benefits policy makers would like to quantify elaborated
- challenges policy makers face to quantify benefits elaborated
- special features of quantifying benefits of transboundary cooperation discussed
- a typology of quantifiable benefits structured
- approaches and methods to quantify the typology of benefits elaborated
- key characteristics of the *Methodological Guidance Note* determined
- community of practice – Stockholm World Water Week