



**Platform to exchange experience on
water and adaptation
to climate change**

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Background



MOP5 recognized the urgency to promote adaptation to climate change in transboundary basins:

- Adopted the Guidance
- Established the programme of pilot projects
- Decided to create a platform for the exchange of experience

Objectives



- Enable exchange of practical experience and sharing of lessons-learned between Convention's projects and with other projects in the region
- Support countries in preparing national/regional adaptation strategies
- Promote the implementation of the UNECE Guidance
- Create a community of experts
- Collect knowledge and experience

Partnerships



- A number of crucial actors already identified
=> are we forgetting any?
- Special partner: European Commission
- How to establish such cooperation?

Online platform

- Information/links to pilot projects and other initiatives
- A calendar of events
- A repository of experts
- Guidance material, research and publications.
- Differentiated access rights (public and private parts)
- Russian material
- Online discussion forum
- Wiki-system

Face-to-face meetings

- Regional/sub-regional workshops
 - = > themes?
 - = > geographic focus?
 - = > frequency?
 - = > partnerships?



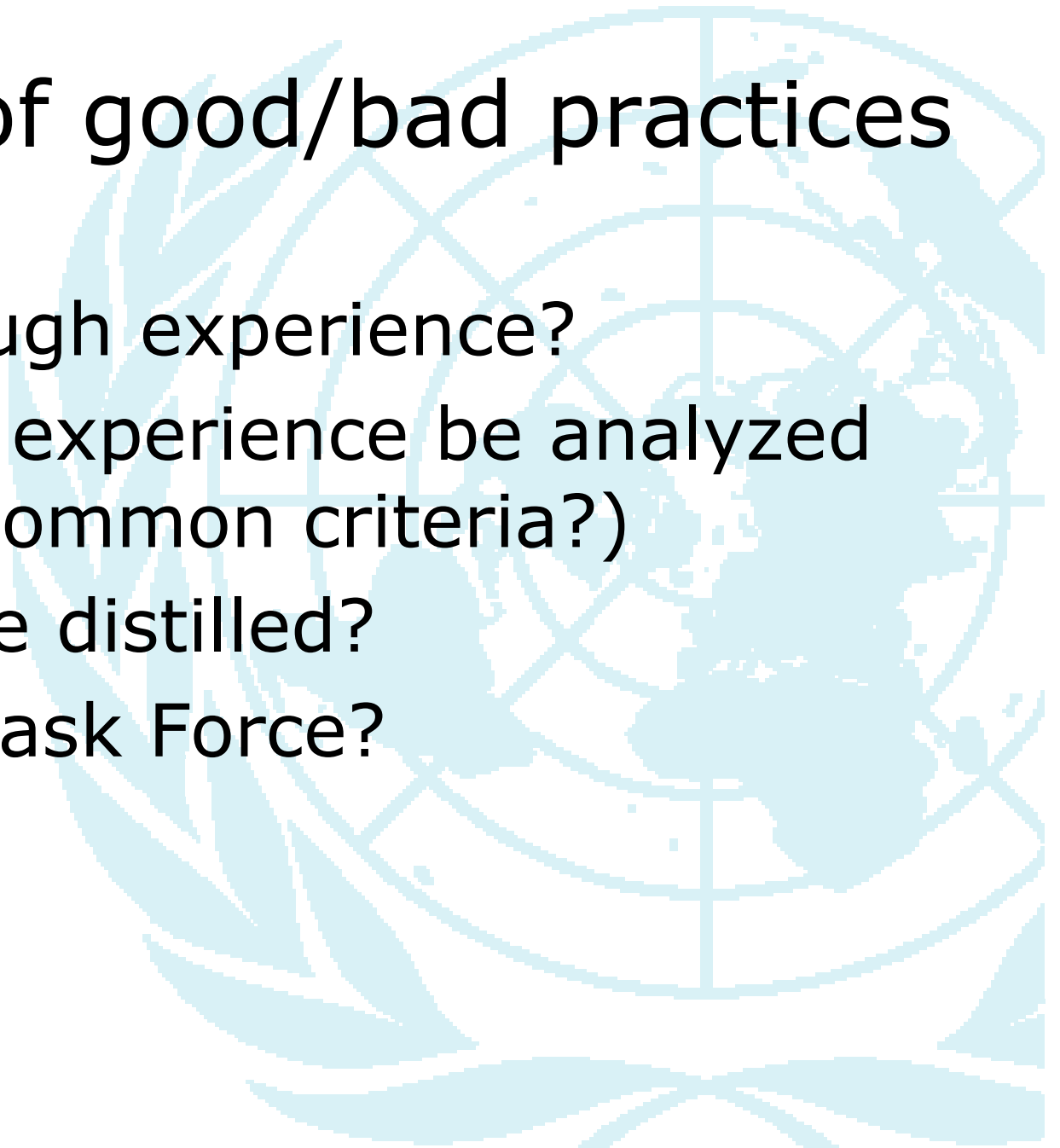
Newsletter

- Quarterly/bi-annually edition reporting progress (pilots and others)
- Technical/policy focus
- In both English and Russian



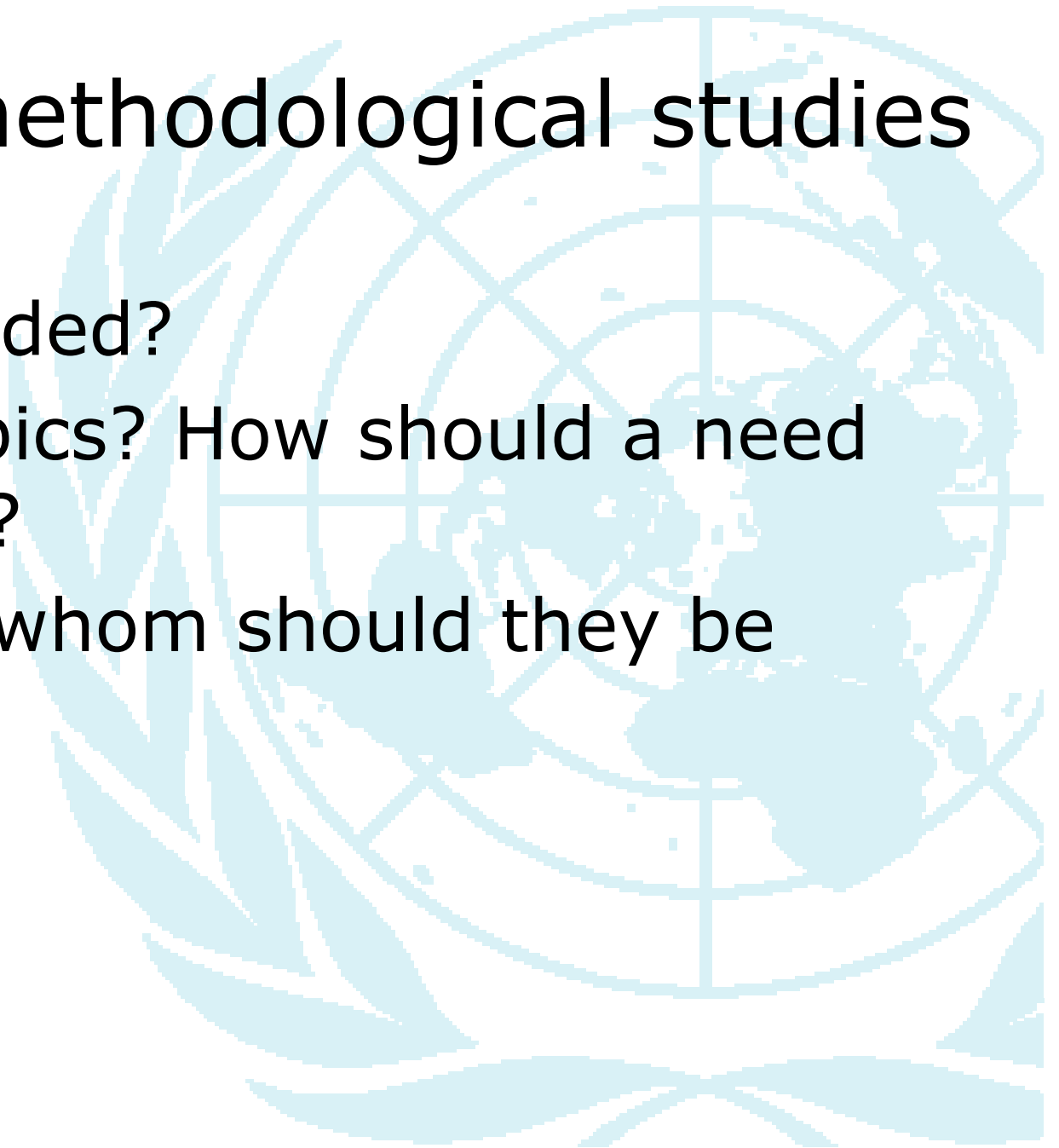
Collection of good/bad practices

- Is there enough experience?
- How can the experience be analyzed (by whom? common criteria?)
- How can it be distilled?
- Role of the Task Force?



Thematic/methodological studies

- Are they needed?
- On which topics? How should a need be identified?
- How and by whom should they be prepared?



Promotion

- Important to ensure broad use / population of information
- Presentations at international events (Efe, WWF, UNFCCC)
- How? When? With whom?



Timeframe (1)

10-12 May 2010	Kick-off workshops and Task Force meeting
7-9 July 2010	Fifth meeting of the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management,
Aug. – Dec 2010	Establishment of the online platform
2011- 2012	Using, populating and updating the online platform
Spring 2011	Collection of good practices
12-14 April 2011	Fourth Meeting of the Task Force on Water and Climate, possibly back-to-back with a workshop
3-4 May 2011	Sixth meeting of the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management,
Spring/ Summer 2011	Input on the pilot projects programme and the platform for the Astana Ministerial Conference

Timeframe (2)

21-23 September 2011	Seventh Ministerial Conference "Environment for Europe" in Astana, Kazakhstan,
March 2012	Fifth meeting of the Task Force back-to-back with a workshop
Spring 2012	Presentation of progress at the sixth World Water Forum in Marseille
Middle/ end of 2012	Review of progress and of completed pilot projects at the meeting of the Working Group on Integrated Water Resources Management, and at MOP6