



# Twinning of La Plata and Rhine

From e-mail to workshop

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# Topics to be mentioned

- Observations on the basins
- Step by step approach
- WWF3: creating momentum
- From intention to concrete activities
- Implement the twinning
- Prepare its future

# Step by step (1)

- 2000: WWF2: twinning of river basins
- 2001: CIC e-mail to ICPR
- 2002: meeting face to face
- 2003: CIC visits ICPR
- 2003: WWF3, the Declaration of Intent

*According to INBO: "... the first twinning agreement between two international river basins !"*

# Declaration of Intent signed on 17 March 2003



The Prince of Orange is the Guest of Honour

# Step by step (2)

- 2003: twinning agreement and working programme

## Theme 1: Floods and droughts

hydrological alert, climate change, crisis management

## Theme 2: Water quality

water quality monitoring,  
harmonising transboundary water legislation

## Cross cutting issues

- Institutional cooperation
- Public participation

*Workshops, meetings, internships, and internal dissemination of results*

# Step by step (3)

- 2003: the first workshop
- 2004: Implement the working programme
- 2004: prepare the future
  - What to do
  - How to act
  - Where to go
  - How to pay
  - Evaluate the results thus far

# Final remarks

- Differences and similarities between Rhine and Plata
- This is a twinning that the GWP/INBO – AP ‘Developing and strengthening of river basin organisations’ is looking for
- But is not a blue print for other twinings

Merci pour votre attention

Gracias por su atencion

Thank you for your attention