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?
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
Informal arenas to achieve objectives

- Advantages:
  - Assistance in identification of relevant projects
  - Positive connection to public management & politics
  - Ownership
  - Enthusiasm
  - 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