Session 1 - Overview of the objectives of the drafting group meeting

Second meeting of the Drafting group on the Guide to reporting under the Water Convention and as a contribution to SDG indicator 6.5.2
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Background on the elaboration of the Guide to reporting under the Water Convention and as a contribution to SDG indicator 6.5.2

• **2015** MOP7: Decision to introduce a **reporting mechanism under the Water Convention**, with a pilot reporting exercise in 2017-2018

• **2016** Adoption of the SDG **indicator framework**, including SDG indicator 6.5.2 on transboundary water cooperation for which UNECE and UNESCO are co-custodians

• **2017-18**: **1st reporting exercise** under the two processes, data and information collection through questionnaire/reporting template

• **2018** analysis and progress reports under the Convention and SDG indicator 6.5.2

• **2018**: Revision of the questionnaire for reporting under the Convention

• **2018**: MOP8 Adoption of the revised questionnaire and decision to develop a guide for reporting under the Convention

⇒ **Preparation of a guide to reporting** under the Convention, also supporting reporting on SDG indicator 6.5.2

⇒ **2019-2020**: Second reporting exercise on SDG indicator 6.5.2 and under the Convention
Objectives of the 2nd meeting of the drafting group on the Guide to reporting under the Water Convention

• Discuss and **further elaborate the guidance of the first draft of the Guide to reporting**, prepared for the drafting group meeting, together with the comments received by countries before the meeting;

• Examine **examples** chosen to illustrate the concepts and meaning of questions in the template;

• Discuss if the draft Guide **sufficiently clarifies questions and the terminology used**, addresses common challenges and prevents possible misinterpretations.