

Water for Peace Diplomacy

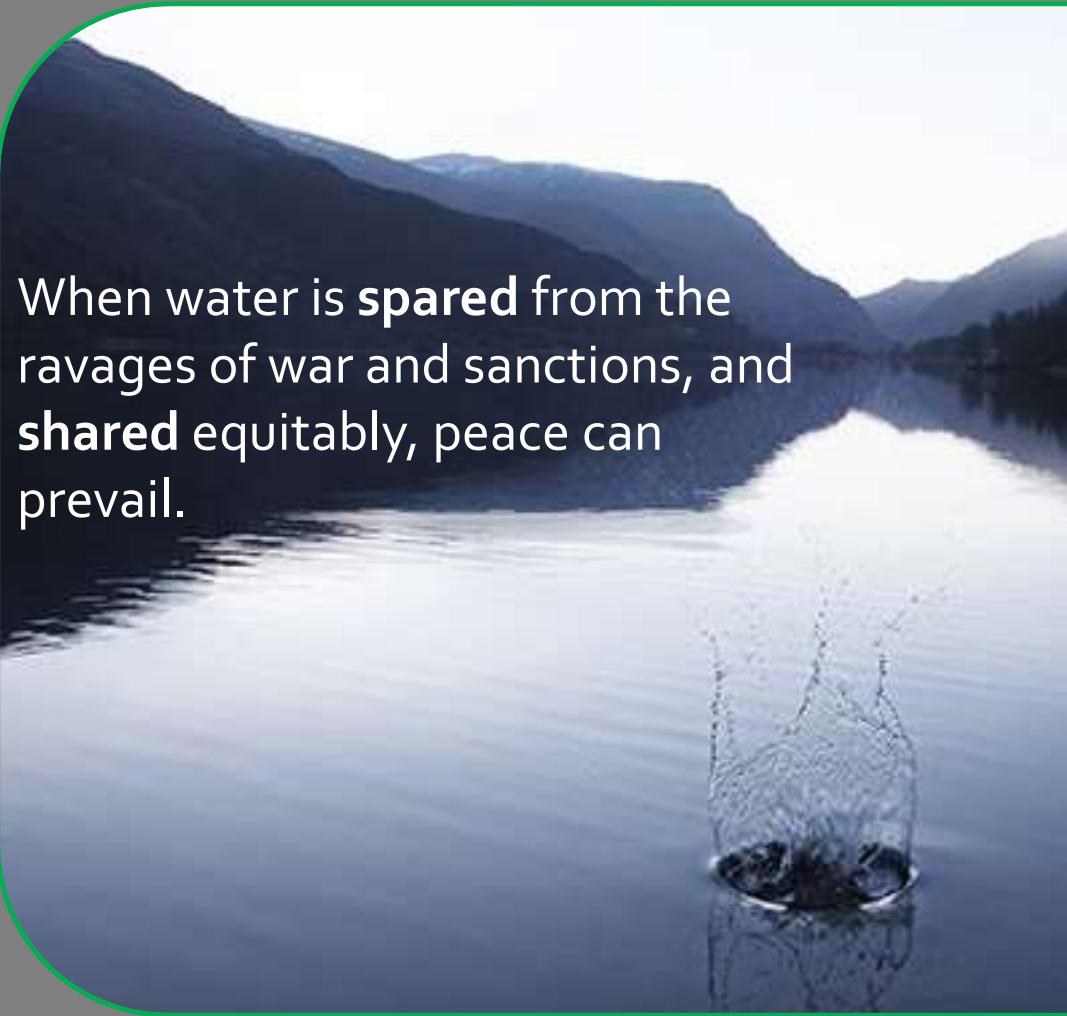
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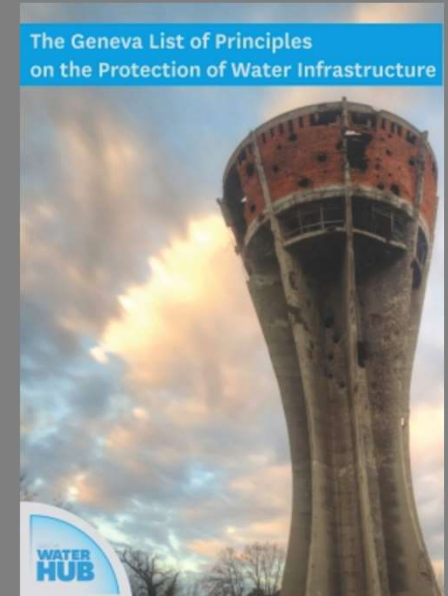
When water is **spared** from the ravages of war and sanctions, and **shared** equitably, peace can prevail.



1. Sparing Water



- reverberating effects
- Ukraine
- International Humanitarian Law
- UNSC Resolution 2573



Within the *Blue Deal*, **water diplomacy** should:

- build legal framework for protection of water
- build the evidence base
- use water for rapprochement / détente



2. Sharing Water

- international water law
- conflict *management* trends
- objective 3rd parties required!



Within the *Blue Deal*, **water diplomacy** should:

- build legitimacy to mediate, over the long term
- promote UNECE / Helsinki Water Convention
- guide towards 'equitable and reasonable use'

Thank –you

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- GWH is:
- Principles:
- Water diplomacy as part of Water for Peace

Towards 'water peace': sparing and sharing water





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- the preservation of freshwater water resources and clean water
- access to water, economics of water and water poverty
- geopolitics of water and blue diplomacy

Intro

- GWH is:
- Principles:

Towards 'water peace': sparing and sharing water.

water as a tool, source or victim of war

2. Sparing Water:

Water as weapon in war from Ypres to Sarajevo to West Bank to Ukraine

Reverb Effects

UNSC R 2573

Geneva Principles

3. Sharing Water:

UNECE and UN Water Convention

3rd parties desperately needed









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