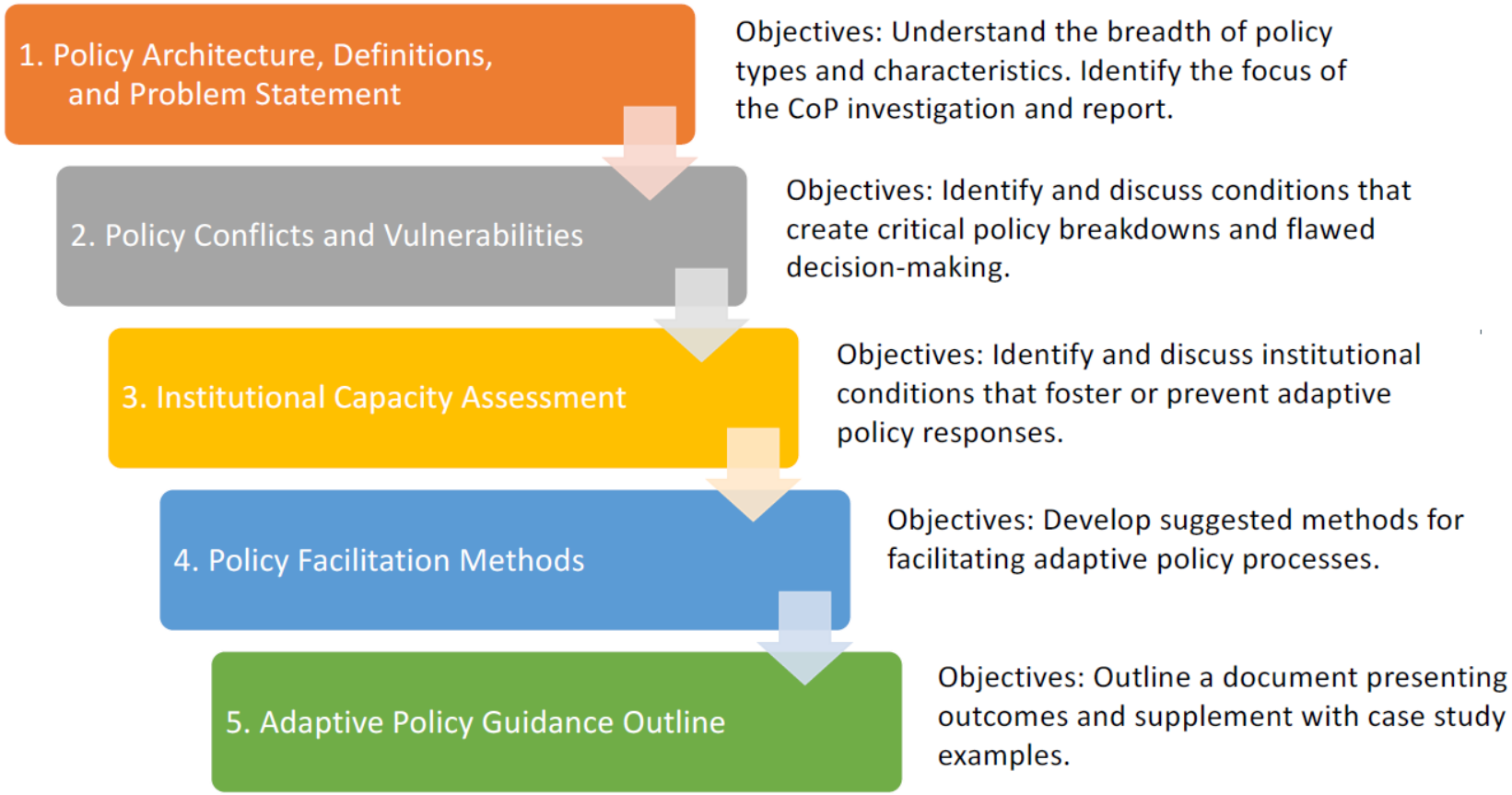
ADAPTIVE WATER GOVERNANCE/POLICY COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

WHO ARE WE?:

MEMBERS OF THE ADAPTIVE WATER GOVERNANCE/POLICY COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE (COP) ARE WATER SECTOR PRACTITIONERS WHO ADVOCATE FOR A FRESH LOOK AT HOW WE INTEGRATE RESILIENCE THINKING INTO GOVERNANCE AND WATER POLICY PROCESSES. OUR FOCUS IS TO ENHANCE INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY TO ADAPT TO CHANGING BASELINE CONDITIONS BY REVIEWING CURRENT AND PAST PRACTICE, APPLYING SYSTEMS THINKING TO COMPLEX INTERDEPENDENT SYSTEMS, AND INTENTIONALLY ENABLING YOUNG WATER PROFESSIONALS TO CARRY THIS WORK FORWARD.

Proposed Meeting Modules



KEY IDEAS COMING OUT OF THIS COP

INITIAL MISSION/PURPOSE:

- THIS COP CORE TEAM IS WORKING TOWARDS DEFINING A CONCEPT, TO ESTABLISH FOUNDATIONS AND TO HIGHLIGHT KEY AREAS OF FOCUS FOR THIS NEW COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE ON ADAPTIVE WATER POLICY.
- FOLLOWING THIS WE AIM TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO SUPPORT ADAPTIVE GOVERNANCE/POLICY MAKING IN THE WATER SECTOR FOR WATER PRACTITIONERS, REGULATORS, AND POLICY MAKERS TO RESPOND WITH RESILIENCE TO THE VAST CHALLENGES POSED BY GLOBAL CHANGES.

GOING FORWARD THE COP AIMS TO GENERATE INSIGHTS ON THE FOLLOWING:

- REGULATORY PROCESSES AND INFLUENCING POLICIES TO BE MORE ADAPTIVE
- ESTABLISH CONTENT AND MESSAGING ATTEMPTING TO SHIFT PERSPECTIVE ON HOW THE WATER SECTOR VIEWS CONCEPTS OF RISK, CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS, AND ADAPTATION.
- BUILD AWARENESS AND CAPACITY FOR:
  - ADAPTIVE POLICY CONCEPTS AND PROCESSES.
  - COMMUNITY BASED PROBLEM SOLVING AND SOLUTION SHARING AMONG PRACTITIONERS DOING THIS WORK.
- REFLECTING SCIENCE AND SPOTTING THE GAPS IN POLICY IMPACTING THE WATER SECTOR
- FACILITATING LINKS ACROSS IWA SPECIALIST GROUPS WHERE DESIRED, WHICH MAY STRENGTHEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADAPTIVE POLICY SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT.