



# Commonalities with other multilateral processes

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# Establish the facts

- Understanding the problem (IPCC)
- Seek common understanding on:
  - where do we agree? E.g. Global warming is happening
  - where do we disagree? E.g. nuclear CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration etc.
  - what are the grey areas? e.g. magnitude of impacts unclear but did not prevent action



# Possible solutions

- Ingredients:
  - environmentally sound
  - socially acceptable
  - economically feasible
  - culturally viable
  - value judgments are primordial, e.g. “windmills are ugly,” “whales are beautiful”
  - respecting the other point of view is part of the solution
  - emotional aspects cannot be ignored e.g. “my car is my freedom”



# Struggle for success

- Test different formulas until you get it, e.g. G8, UN high-level summit, ad hoc meetings convened by USA in Hawaii, UNFCCC Bali
- Innovative solutions for new problems e.g. compliance



# Climate vs whales

- Scientific complexity
- Economic impact
- Social relevance
- Cultural perspectives
- Polarisation

# Lessons learnt

