



# WAT COURSE SYNTHESIS DAY!

Tuesday 17.10.2023 – Students with Marko

# TIMETABLE

13.30 Groups' presentations on WAT weeks

→ 10 min presentations, followed by discussion

→ Small breaks after two presentations

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| 1<br>Synthesis for WAT-E1100 course week X | 2<br>Weekly theme: XXX   |
| 3<br>Weekly method: XXX                    | 4<br>Weekly content: XXX |
| 5<br>General notes on the week             | 6<br>Link to WAT         |

15.15 Synthesising discussion + instructions for tomorrow

→ What did you learn during WAT Course?

Compare the presentations with your Personal Learning Points: any differences? Why?  
→ Prepare to discuss and comment!

# GIVING COMMENTS

To facilitate discussion + to make sure we got diverse viewpoints, each group has an opportunity to start commenting a presentation

1<sup>st</sup> presentation commented by Group 4

2<sup>nd</sup> presentation by Group 5

3<sup>rd</sup> presentation by Group 6

4<sup>th</sup> presentation by Group 1

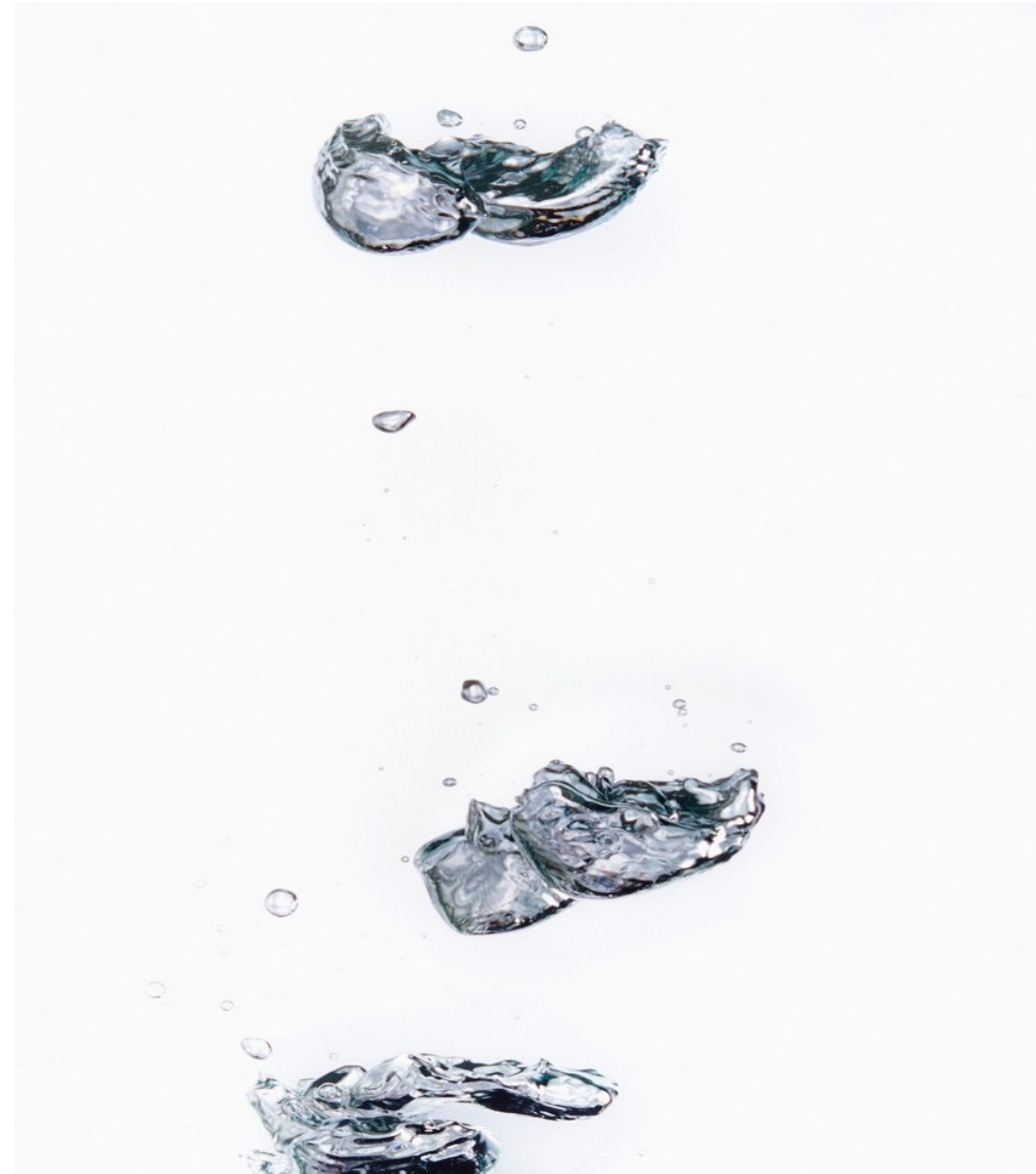
5<sup>th</sup> presentation by Group 2

6<sup>th</sup> presentation by Group 3

## **Focus your comments on two things**

- Your additional views and/or clarifying questions regarding the theme and methods of the week
- Link to WAT: does this seem fine, any additional points to consider?

YOUR  
PRESENTATIONS!



# Some general remarks

- 1) Our field (and WAT programme) is diverse!**
  - Interesting & inspiring, but not always easy: do make use of our advanced courses
  - Also: plenty of connections between themes
- 2) We are diverse (as learners and people)!**
  - Different learning activities have pros and cons
- 3) Methods now thematically focused by week, but generally applicable in our field**
  - Not just about doing it (i.e. implementing) but also links to sustainability, society and governance – and, ultimately, to our values



# SYNTHESISING DISCUSSION

In mixed groups of ~3 students

Let's take a  
count into 8

Discuss what you have learned during WAT Course

→ Based on your personal Main Learning Points + Group Presentations

**What were the biggest learning points for you during WAT Course? Why?**

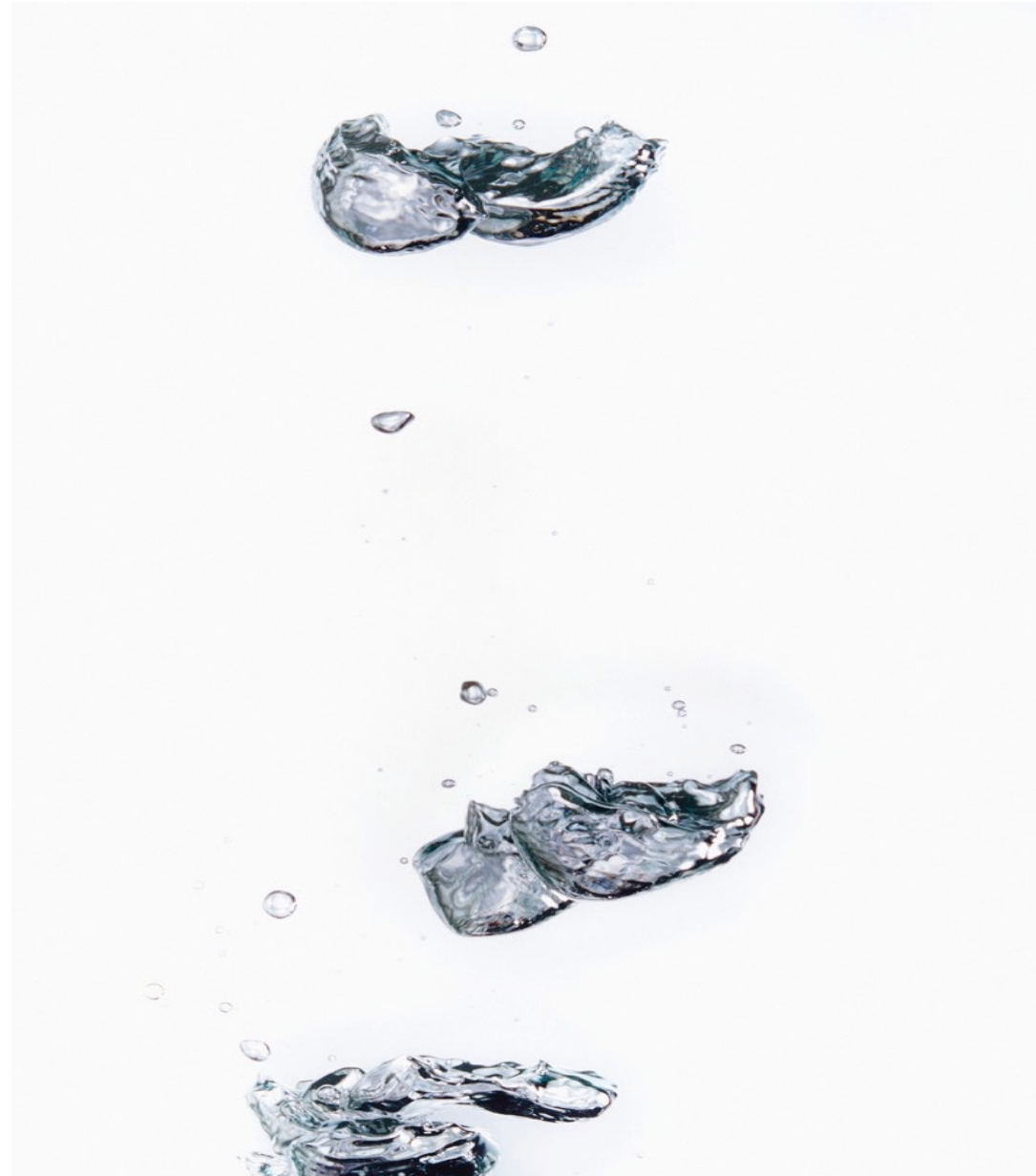
- *In terms of new knowledge (themes)*
- *In terms of new skills (methods)*
- *In terms of identity skills (context session + group work)*
- *In terms of WAT as a field and programme*

~15  
minutes

**What happens now? What advanced courses you take?**

SO, HOW WAS IT?

ANYTHING YOU  
WANT TO SHARE?



# YOUR TASKS

- 1) Submit your group's presentation to Teams still today (if you want to revise it)
- 2) Submit your Personal Learning Points to MyCourses by Friday
- 3) Prepare for tomorrow's group feedback session  
→ More below



# GROUP FEEDBACK

Tomorrow's aim is to learn to give and receive personal feedback in a constructive manner

→ We use an applied version of 'I like, I wish' method (self-facilitated i.e. no external facilitator included)



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Before tomorrow: read through the feedback template

→ Think what you want to write into the template, and even write it 😊  
(you'll have some 40 min for this tomorrow morning)

→ You will write feedback to each group member and for the entire group, structured through "Likes" and "Wishes"

*LIKE's = someone's  
specific strengths*

*WISH's = potential  
not yet fulfilled*

# FEEDBACK DISCUSSION IN GROUPS: structure

## 1) LIKES for one group member at a time

- One person LIKEd at a time, others do not interrupt
- Person being LIKEd doesn't say anything, either: writes down key points to 'Notes about me'
- At the end of all LIKEs, the person liked makes their '**I FEEL**' round (reaction to the comments)
- After, move to the next person and do the same

So first LIKEs and WISHes to each group member one by one, then the same for the group but in different order (first WISHes, then LIKEs for the group)

## 2) WISHes in a similar manner, but in different order

## 3) WISHes for your group; then LIKEs for your group

## 4) Promises: one thing from WISHes you promise to act on

## 5) Finally share your **feelings** about the exercise



I like I wish is a facilitated team feedback activity where team members of a team engaged in a creative project get to provide and receive both positive and constructive feedback in written as well as in spoken format. Sessions are processed in a safe and systematic way. The format was developed by Satu Rekonen through dozens of sessions organized since 2011 on several different interdisciplinary courses taking place mainly in Aalto Design Factory.

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(note that we'll use a bit different version without external facilitator)



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*a facilitated team feedback method*



Thank you!

