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Procedural Matters/ Evening Events	Innovation Marketplace Setup	0915-1045 Toward GEF7: An Update of GEF6 What Do Evaluations Tell Us? TWAP Results A discussion on the IW focal area strategy & policies and what should be scaled-up in GEF6 and GEF7	Conference participants are offered both marine and watershed management options for the field trips, and these will showcase integrated water and other natural resource management issues; the consequences of climatic variability & change, as well as local innovations and best practices aimed at addressing those issues and consequences, including public-private partnerships.	0915-1015 Interactive Event on SDGs	0945-1045 Reflection Video High-Level Segment												
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Agenda-at-a-Glance



8TH GEF BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL WATERS CONFERENCE
SRI LANKA | 9–13 MAY 2016

Scaling Up GEF IW Investments from Source to Sea and Beyond
in the Context of Achieving the SDGs

Monday May 9 - Opening Day

0900 – 1700 Official Arrival and Registration and Innovation Marketplace Setup

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1600 – 1700 IWC8 Official Opening: Keynote Addresses & IWC8 Objectives

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1700 – 1800 Portfolio Solutions Exchange

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1800 – 2000 Welcome Reception

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

Tuesday May 10 – Thematic Learning

0900 – 0915 Reflection Video and Expectations

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

0915 – 1045 Update on GEF6 and Looking Toward GEF7. What Do Evaluations Tell Us?

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1045 – 1115 Networking Break

1115 – 1245 Crosscutting and Thematic Learning Working Groups
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1245 – 1430 Lunch and Side Events

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1600 – 1630 Networking Break

1630 – 1730 Participant-led Workshops
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1730 – 1830 Informal Cocktail: Film Festival & Innovation Marketplace Review
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

Wednesday May 11 – Technical Site Visits

0900 – 1800 Field Trips: Ridge to Reef / Source to Sea
Location: Various

Thursday May 12 – Thematic Learning

0900 – 0915 Reflection Video and Expectations
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

0915 – 1045 Interactive Event on SDGs
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1045 – 1115 Lunch and Side Events

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Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

1730 – 1830 Innovation Marketplace Teardown & Regional Farewell Drink
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel

Friday May 13 – Closing in Colombo

0800 – 0945 Departure and Transit to Colombo Venue / Security Screening
Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel → Nelum Pokuna Theatre

0945 – 1045 Reflection Video and High-Level Programme
Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

1045 – 1115 Networking Break

1115 – 1245 Views from Participating Country Policymakers on Achieving Water, Ocean and related SDGs
Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

1245 – 1430 Lunch and High-Level Lunch

1430 – 1600 Closing Plenary: Looking Back, Looking Ahead
Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

1600 – 1700 Transfer to Gala Event Venue

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre → Park Street Mews (15 minutes)

1700 – 2000 25th Anniversary GEF IW Gala Event

Location: Park Street Mews

2000 – 2100 Transfer to Negombo Venue and Hotels

Location: Park Street Mews → Jetwing Blue Hotel

Detailed Agenda



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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

IWC8's objective is to facilitate experience sharing across the GEF IW portfolio, with a special emphasis on transboundary waters management results of the GEF IW Portfolio after 25 years, in the context of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

The United Nations General Assembly's adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) has set a new development agenda for the 2015 to 2030 period. While GEF IW investments directly or indirectly tie into each of the 17 SDGs and 168 targets, two SDGs—*Ensure access to water and sanitation for all* and *Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources*—are of particular relevance to the GEF's IW investments. With the new global development commitments in mind, IWC8 is organized under the theme *Scaling Up GEF IW Investments from Source to Sea and Beyond in the Context of Achieving the SDGs*, with learning tracks devoted to catalyzing sectoral transformation and scaling up investments, strengthening governance processes to sustain project interventions; and effectively managing and utilizing data and information.



All sessions will be conducted and framed within the context strengthening GEF IW project capacity to help achieve the SDGs.

IWC8 will feature training sessions on key management and technical areas, such as the preparation of transboundary diagnostic analyses and strategic action programmes; gender mainstreaming; the water-energy-food nexus; project management; water diplomacy; economic valuation; areas beyond national jurisdiction; small island developing states; conjunctive management; and a policymaker view on achieving the SDGs.

Technical site visits will highlight a range of water management challenges faced by Sri Lanka, and traditional and new approaches to combat these water management challenges. The technical site visit programme will

feature tours to various GEF IW projects and non-GEF water management projects under implementation and to private sector facilities around the country.

A gala event will celebrate 25 years of GEF investments in IW.

Following the conference, an international roundtable, *Partnering with the Private Sector for Sustainable Financing from Source to Sea*, will bring together a range of IW stakeholders to examine how IW partnerships among the private sector and countries, joint water management commissions, civil society, donors, marine management entities and regional organizations can be established. It will also help coordinate efforts among UN Agencies, international financing institutions and NGOs toward a coherent and tangible approach to private sector engagement in source to sea management, as well as the interface of these actors with private sector companies, banks and other private actors for sustainable investments and with the new global commitments in mind.

CONFERENCE KEY OBJECTIVES AND RESULTS FRAMEWORK

A full conference results framework will be posted separately. Objectives, outputs and desired outcomes for certain sessions are detailed in-line. [Session Goals will continue to be updated in collaboration with respective session coordinators].

Overall IWC8 Objectives: [PLACEHOLDER]

- ◆ Share experiences and good practices among GEF IW Projects
- ◆ Build capacity in key IW management and technical areas
- ◆ Develop a roadmap for improved collaboration between private sector companies and GEF IW Projects
- ◆ Identify methods for scaling up GEF investments from source to sea
- ◆ Identify the linkages between projects and the SDGs

The conference aims to meet the GEF-6 target that at least 75 percent of all IW projects demonstrate active GEF portfolio experience sharing and learning efforts.

SESSION TYPE

- PLENARY
- PROCEDURAL MATTERS / EVENING EVENTS
- WORKSHOP (THEMATIC BREAKOUT)
- TECHNICAL SITE VISITS
- PARTICIPANT-LED WORKSHOPS

OPENING DAY - MONDAY 9 MAY 2016 (DAY 0)

0900-1700

OFFICIAL ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area

Participants will register/sign in at the conference common area desk and receive their welcome kits, conference programme and site visit ticket. Registration will remain open until the end of the networking break following the opening ceremony programme.

Participants will also receive a conference evaluation note booklet in order to keep track of their session comments, and online conference evaluation instructions. The intent is to increase the number of evaluations

from the 28 percent IWC average. All participants completing an online evaluation will be entered into a single draw for a small prize.

INNOVATION MARKETPLACE SETUP

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom

Session Coordinator: Taylor Henshaw

A tradition of the GEF Biennial International Waters Conferences is the *Innovation Marketplace*—the exhibit opportunity where GEF IW Projects display their results, unique approaches and catalytic outcomes, with emphasis on how these may be replicated. IWC8 presents a twist on the way the *Innovation Marketplace* is delivered. Rather than utilizing an exhibition booth, project exhibitors are instructed to design a poster for display on a retractable/roll up banner. All GEF IW Projects should undertake to produce an exhibit poster. More information is outlined below.

Exhibit posters will be set up / displayed on the perimeter of the Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom.

1530-1645

DAY 0 Chair: TBD GEF IW Project Manager

OFFICIAL OPENING – KEYNOTE ADDRESSES AND CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (theatre seating)

Session Coordinator: Taylor Henshaw

- ◆ A short video of past IWCs and the IWC8 regional context
- ◆ Sri Lanka national anthem / artistic welcome
- ◆ Welcome Remarks by Government of Sri Lanka
- ◆ Welcome Remarks (including conference objectives) by GEF Secretariat
- ◆ Visionary Speaker: TBD
- ◆ Logistical notes by IW:LEARN

1645-1700

NETWORKING BREAK

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area

1700-1800

PORTFOLIO SOLUTIONS EXCHANGE

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (theatre seating)

Session Coordinator: Taylor Henshaw

Session Facilitator: TBD

The IWC8 will feature a Portfolio Solutions Exchange event, where GEF IW projects have a plenary opportunity to promote their innovative solutions/approaches to scale up GEF IW investments from source to sea and beyond in the context of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. The event will showcase five solutions that best demonstrate the greatest alignment with the IWC8 theme, and specifically, with one of the conference learning tracks: catalyzing sectoral transformation; transboundary governance; and data and information management and utilization.

The conference plenary will vote on their favorite solution, done by simple ballot. A prize will be awarded to the project whose portfolio solution receives the most ballots.

Characteristics of a Top Portfolio Solution

Feasibility and Ease of Implementation

- ◆ Resources needed to implement the solution are readily available
- ◆ The solution is cost-effective, or can be made so
- ◆ The risks are identifiable, quantifiable, manageable and are minimal compared to the benefits

Breadth of Application

- ◆ The conditions that need to be in place for the solution to be introduced are well defined
- ◆ The solution is versatile and can be applied and implemented in diverse settings across multiple sectors, countries and cultures

Chosen project solutions will be presented by the respective project representatives in the Pecha Kucha 20x20 format, where the presenter shows 20 images, each for 20 seconds. The images advance automatically and the presenter talks along to the images. Each presentation will last 7 minutes.

Session Goals

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Outputs



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1800-2000

WELCOME RECEPTION

Location: TBD (cocktail style)

Hosted by Government of Sri Lanka

- ◆ Welcome Remarks by Government of Sri Lanka
- ◆ Welcome Remarks by GEF Secretariat

THEMATIC LEARNING - TUESDAY 10 MAY 2016 (DAY 1)

Day 1 Chair: TBD GEF IW Project Manager

0900-0915

REFLECTION VIDEO & EXPECTATIONS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (theatre seating)

A short video documenting participant expectations for the conference and recap of Day 0 will be screened.

0915-1045

UPDATE ON GEF6 AND LOOKING FORWARD TO GEF7: WHAT DO EVALUATIONS TELL US?

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (theatre seating)

Session Coordinator: Juha Uitto and Geeta Batra, GEF Independent Evaluation Office

In the first portion of the session, the GEF Secretariat will provide an update on GEF6 programming.

The session will then focus on emerging evaluative evidence gleaned from IW-related evaluations and a portfolio analysis of trends in GEF IW performance and implementation. The session will provide an opportunity to discuss what these findings and conclusions imply for the GEF7 strategy in the focal area.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1045-1115

NETWORKING BREAK

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area

1115-1245

CROSSCUTTING AND THEMATIC LEARNING WORKING GROUPS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo, Turquoise and Aquamarine Rooms

Learning Cycle Part I

Sessions are organized by IW:LEARN partners on three topics:

(1) Catalyzing Sectoral Transformation and Scaling Up Project Investments

This track will provide guidance on (a) how GEF-supported initiatives can catalyze market/industry transformation by influencing the supply of and/or demand for goods and services that contribute to global environmental benefits; (b) how GEF-supported initiatives can be reproduced or adopted at a comparable administrative or ecological scale, in another geographical area or region; and (c) how information, lessons and specific GEF IW results can be incorporated into broader stakeholder mandates and initiatives such as laws, policies, regulations and programs.

(2) Strengthening Governance Processes to Sustain Project Interventions

Considering the limited timeframe of GEF IW Project interventions and their ambitious objectives, GEF IW projects need to carefully plan their actions to ensure that desired outcomes are realized during implementation and that project benefits are sustained once the project finishes. This track aims to raise capacity among GEF IW Projects on aspects of governance, specifically centering on effective and innovative science to governance mechanisms and best practices in the development of legal and institutional frameworks that can sustain project outcomes. Approaches and methodologies to establish governance structures and policies that facilitate the sustainability of GEF IW Project outcomes, results and impacts, and determine key management actions GEF IW Projects can deploy to become effective catalysts for improving governance at national, sub-national and regional levels will be presented.

(3) Effectively Managing and Utilizing Data and Information

Data and information play a crucial role in all phases of the policy cycle in international waters—from decision-making via implementation and monitoring, to analysis and recommendations. Data and information supports an understanding and greater awareness of environmental issues, causes, sources and impacts; it functions as an

ongoing component of the development and assessment of management policies, strategies and interventions; it promotes new legislative and policy initiatives for sustainable resource management and pollution prevention; and it facilitates improved enforcement, decision-making and individual action. Decisions should be made utilizing the best available information, which should be reliable and as much as possible reflect the actual conditions of ecosystems and environment. This thematic track focuses on collection of data from TDAs for later use in management; good practices on how the IW portfolio is using data and data management and how this informs the project cycle; reviews different types of data; ways to partner with the private sector on data and information; using spatial planning; an in-depth analysis of a first global assessment of transboundary waters; and guidance on the process of indicator selection, particularly in the context of the TDA/SAP process.

CATALYZING SECTORAL TRANSFORMATION AND SCALING UP PROJECT INVESTMENTS

Mobilizing Finance and Scaling up Investment: Good Practices in IWRM and ICM

Demonstration Projects

Location: Indigo Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinator and Facilitator: TBD

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
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- (5) TBD

Based on guidance note:

http://iwlearn.net/abt_iwlearn/events/workshops/2nd-regional-workshop-for-asia-and-the-pacific/mobilizing-finance-and-scaling-up-investment-good-practices-in-iwrm-icm-demonstration-projects-a-guidance-note

To strengthen the performance of GEF IW projects through facilitating and promoting good policies and practices, and leveraging increased investments in habitat conservation, nutrient reduction and water resource use. Specifically, the session will aim to:

- (a) Review case studies and good practices in developing, facilitating and implementing investment projects addressing issues under the blue (ecosystem) and brown (pollution) sectors;
- (b) Share knowledge and experience on key aspects of scaling up and replication of good practices and lessons learned from Demonstration Projects; and
- (c) Explore advances in knowledge harvesting tools and indicators, as well as in developing knowledge services and products that strengthen ownership and commitment among policymakers and investors in scaling up and replication of good practices.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE PROCESSES TO SUSTAIN PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

Assessment of Challenges, Opportunities and Best Practices in the Governance and Management of Resources in the Source to Sea Continuum for the GEF

Location: Aquamarine Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: GEF STAP

Subject Overview Speaker:

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
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Consultation on GEF STAP source to sea scientific paper successfully undertaken with substantive feedback received to guide the finalization of the scientific paper. Emerging lessons learned and gaps at the global level that address “source to sea” approaches using IWRM, ICZM, IWCAM, Ridge to Reef, MSP and other area-based management frameworks.

Session Goals

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EFFECTIVELY MANAGING AND UTILIZING DATA AND INFORMATION

Building Partnerships Visualizing Big Data

Location: Turquoise Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: Nagaraja Rao Harshadeep (Harsh) is a Lead Environmental Specialist in the Environment and Natural Resources Global Practice of the World Bank (TBD)

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
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Talk #1: Using Data For Management

This talk will focus on collection of data from TDA’s for later use in management. It will exhibit good practice on how the portfolio is using data and data management and how this informs the project cycle. Different types of data will be reviewed, processed, meta-level as well as the products of data analysis in terms of maps, graphs, GIS, etc.

Different examples of data use will be provided, for example the development of a Google Earth layer. With examples coming from projects as well as partners.

Talk #2: The Private Sector Proposition

The proposition for the private sector is a partnership with our projects who are sitting on a lot of data. That is one place we need to work the data in. For example, looking at the outputs from the

SAPs. Mediterranean for example, and trying to dive down and get into some of the other layers. Specificity is key to making a session interesting.

Talk #3: The Spatial Element – Steffen Hansen, GEF
TBD

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1245-1430

LUNCH & SIDE EVENTS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo Center Point Grill & Bar

1430-1600

CROSSCUTTING AND THEMATIC LEARNING WORKING GROUPS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo, Turquoise and Aquamarine Rooms

Learning Cycle Part II

Sessions are organized by IW:LEARN partners on three topics:

- (1) Catalyzing Sectoral Transformation and Scaling Up Project Investments
- (2) Strengthening Governance Processes to Sustain Project Interventions
- (3) Effectively Managing and Utilizing Data and Information

A chair will be selected to head each thematic track for all four sessions on Day 1 and Day 3.

CATALYZING SECTORAL TRANSFORMATION AND SCALING UP PROJECT INVESTMENTS

Promoting Transformational Change in a Major Global Industry Through GloBallast and GloMEEP: The Glo-X “Approach” and MED TEST

Location: Indigo Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: GloBallast and GloMEEP; UNIDO MEDPartnership

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
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- (5) TBD

The Ballast Water Partnerships program will conclude after 15 years of successful implementation and playing a catalytic role in transforming an industry sector toward addressing a major transboundary international water issue—marine bio invasion. The session will tell the story and

provide an opportunity to share lessons learned from the GloBallast approaches. Also, the GloMEEP will soon start, the first multi-focal (IW and CC) global project of GEF, seen as having the potential to transform the global maritime industry towards low-carbon future.

MED TEST is a UNIDO green industry initiative supported by the GEF, the Italian Government and the Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Large Marine Ecosystem (LME) of UNEP-MAP. The program addresses land-based sources of pollution within priority industrial hot spots of the Mediterranean Strategic Action Plan (SAP-MED). This session will introduce the TEST integrated approach and provide guidance on how to build capacity to apply the approach and facilitate the transfer of environmentally sound technology that will improve the environmental performance and the productivity of priority industrial installations.

Session Goals

Objectives



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STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE PROCESSES TO SUSTAIN PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

Water Diplomacy – Incorporating Tools for Change in the SAP Process (PART ONE) □

Location: Aquamarine Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: Mark Smith and Stefano Barchiesi, IUCN

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
- (4) TBD
- (5) TBD

The “Building River Dialogue and Governance” (BRIDGE) programme has been working at the convergence of water diplomacy and multi-level water governance to forge a complementary approach to the management of transboundary waters and strengthening of transboundary cooperation. By facilitating cooperation at multiple levels, BRIDGE complements and reinforces traditional high-level, inter-governmental diplomacy on water. It promotes agreements on water management as well as their implementation by water users. BRIDGE helps to create the dialogue spaces and cooperation mechanisms needed to operationalize water cooperation. A suite of tools, policy-influencing activities, policy-influencing activities, and capacity-building modules supports this strategic engagement of diverse and multi-level sets of stakeholders. These include training on international water law, national water governance and benefit sharing as the building blocks to improve water governance for national level officials and local community representatives alike.

This is based on the principle that, in order to build the necessary dialogues to make cooperation a reality that catalyzes change, it is necessary to use capacity development and learning as a vehicle and leaders as agents of change. This session will introduce the most innovative of these tools and approaches utilized by BRIDGE and explore the linkages with International Waters. Developing and then implementing a Strategic Action Programme (SAP) is an objective, and a challenge, of many GEF IW Projects. The session will look at how to incorporate these tools for change in the SAP process as the main mechanism for operationalizing water cooperation in the GEF IW context. Moreover, benefit sharing methodologies provide opportunities for also mainstreaming economic valuation in the SAP process.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



EFFECTIVELY MANAGING AND UTILIZING DATA AND INFORMATION

Transboundary Waters Assessment Programme (TWAP) Results

Location: Turquoise Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinator and Facilitator: TWAP

Subject Overview Speaker: TWAP

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
- (4) TBD
- (5) TBD

The management of transboundary waters is constrained by the lack of a systematic, global-scale comparative assessment of their changing conditions in response to human-induced and natural stresses. To address this need, the Transboundary Waters Assessment Programme provided a first global assessment of transboundary waters (aquifers, lakes, rivers, large marine ecosystems and the open ocean), utilizing indicators, assessment methods and institutional arrangements identified and agreed to within a previous GEF Medium Size Project. The full size project completed a two-year implementation period. This session will present the results of TWAP

Session Goals

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Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1600-1630

NETWORKING BREAK

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area

1630-1730

PARTICIPANT-LED WORKSHOPS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo, Turquoise and Aquamarine Rooms

TRADEOFFS AND ENVIRONMENTAL FLOWS

Location: Indigo Room

Session Coordinator and Facilitator: The Nature Conservancy

Audience: TBD

The sustainable development and management of water resources infrastructure, including for hydropower generation, irrigation, flood control, industrial and domestic water supply) in the context of IW is a critical IWRM challenge at both the site/project level and at whole-basin scale. It is essential that solution to be broadened sustainable water infrastructure into trade offs and environmental flows. On the partner side we have IUCN Nexus dialogues, the IIASA project. We should have something around the Nexus. TBD- UNESCO, GEF. World Bank and FAO.

IWL PRODOC-TBD

Session Goals

Objectives



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Desired Outcomes



EXCHANGE ON SIDS

Location: Aquamarine Room

Session Coordinator and Facilitator: Akiko Yamamoto

Audience: SIDS Stakeholders

Focusing on SIDS to gather all SIDS participants to share lessons learned and best practices and also they future strategies on issues particular and common to SIDS.

- (1) What GEF investment demonstrated;
- (2) What are the tangible or measurable results;
- (3) How these investments at the demonstration level have been (or are expected to be) upscaled or replicated in the country; and
- (4) Lessons learned and challenges to ensure that the demonstration activities would lead to successful replication/upscale/further investments.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT FOR WATER STEWARDSHIP IN PRIORITY BASINS

Location: Turquoise Room

Session Coordinator: WWF

Audience: TBD

WWF will lead a presentation on why and how to partner with the Private Sector on Water Stewardship. WWF will summarize the “WWF Water Stewardship Journey”, reference key Water Stewardship Tools, share pertinent lessons from ongoing WWF partnerships and solicit experiences from the workshop participants. WWF will discuss how to make the business case to prospective corporate partners.

Government and NGO leaders who want to learn more and who want to share lessons about how private sector actors can become engaged in water stewardship in critical freshwater basins. Private sector leaders who want to learn more about water stewardship that transcends water efficiency and helps address water challenges that they share with other stakeholders.

Session Goals

Objectives

- ◆ Participants learn the fundamentals of engaging the private sector strategically at the basin level.
- ◆ Lessons are shared between WWF and the other participants.
- ◆ A foundation for the Private Sector Engagement theme of IW: LEARN is established.
- ◆ Basic resources and gaps are identified.
- ◆ Key connections across sectoral and regional lines are made.

Outputs



Desired Outcomes



Planning for floods and droughts in a transboundary basin context (Flood and Drought Management Tools project)

Location:

Session Coordinator:

Audience: TBD

Facilitation/Format: Presentations and interactive group sessions. This session will be linked with the session “Navigating the jungle of indicators”.

Session Description:

This session will draw on findings and outcomes of the Flood and Drought Management Tools

project to date, and the specific experiences in project basins – Volta, Lake Victoria and Chao Phraya. The focus will be on understanding the challenges, and how the appropriate tools can help managers in their day to day operation, as well as long term planning.

The main session will be broken into two interactive 35-minute sessions. Each session will focus on a key topic and challenge within planning, and will start with a presentation of tools and challenges followed by an interactive group session concluded with a discussion.

Breakout Session 1: Data availability and data uncertainty (DHI/IWA).

Data is the basis for any planning activity, and data availability is often one of the key constraints for planning. This session will focus on how remotely sensed data could be used in planning, and present how near real-time data, seasonal forecast and climate data could be retrieved and used.

The session will include:

- Interactive group work using the data portal developed as part of the Flood & Drought Management Tools project for retrieving and analyzing data for a specific case.
- Discussion on the presentation, usability and uncertainty related to the data.

Breakout Session 2: The workflow of planning for a specific response in a transboundary context (DHI/IWA)

As part of the planning process it is necessary to assess how proposed interventions will mitigate identified problems. The development and evaluation of a plan can be done using different methods based on the issues and data availability.

The session will include:

- Presentation of a specific planning case and available data and tools from the project for solving the issues related to the case.
- Interactive group work using tools developed as part of the Flood & Drought Management Tools project for solving the specific planning case.
- The objective will be to discuss a general planning workflow within a transboundary basin planning context such as the TDA and SAP processes using the particular tools applied in the group work.

Session Goals

Objectives

- ◆ To present challenges and tools for planning in a transboundary basin context taking into account climate variability, climate change, flood and drought events.
- ◆ To exchange knowledge and learn about current practices and gaps through interactive group sessions.

Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1730-1830

INFORMAL COCKTAIL: FILM FESTIVAL & INNOVATION MARKETPLACE REVIEW

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (theatre seating)

Session Coordinator: Taylor Henshaw

Festival Host: TBD

Film Festival

A film festival will highlight selected GEF IW projects at IWC8.

GEF IW Projects with new or recently made documentary films are invited to submit their film, for festival

consideration, to the IWC8 Secretariat at iwc2016@iwlearn.org by **29 April 2016**.

Submitted films must be less than 12 minutes long to be festival eligible. Those projects with films running more than 12 minutes are encouraged to edit their films down to comply with the length restriction and then submit the edited film for consideration. An independent panel will select five films from the submission pool for festival screening on the evening of 9 May 2016.

A judging panel consisting of a representative sample of key IW portfolio stakeholder groups will determine the winner during the festival. Films will be scored out of 12 points, based on the following criteria and point breakdown:

Uniqueness of the topic: Is it an innovative approach to IW issues that could be replicated?	2 points
Good progress made: Does it show clear impacts of intervention and the catalytic role played by the GEF?	3 points
Quality of information: Is it educational and does it provide good promotional value to the project and/or GEF IW?	4 points
Production quality: Is it visually pleasing and overall enjoyable?	3 points

Project representatives are kindly asked to take audience questions following their respective film screening.

Innovation Marketplace Review

Exhibit posters shall present: (1) A project reporting against the GEF IW Process, Stress Reduction and Environmental and Socioeconomic Status results indicators; and (2) How the project directly supports achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Posters should contain a brief summary of the project's development objective and scope; the project website; names of beneficiary countries and partners; GEF Grants, co-financing and project cost; and a few key lessons or conclusions drawn from the project's implementation should also be displayed. Projects are to consider images, diagrams, maps, graphics and other visual aids to present the material and avoid large blocks of text.

A prize will be awarded to the project with the best exhibit poster, judged on adherence to the above display instructions. Judging will be done by participant ballot.

Light refreshments will be served.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



TECHNICAL SITE VISITS - WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2016 (DAY 2)

0900-1800

TECHNICAL SITE VISITS

Location: Various

Technical site visits will highlight a range of water management challenges faced by Sri Lanka, and traditional and new approaches to combat these water management challenges. The technical site visit programme will feature tours to various GEF IW projects and non-GEF water management projects under implementation and to private sector facilities around the country. The programme will include marine, surface freshwater and groundwater watershed management options for participants.

A separate programme is being prepared.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



THEMATIC LEARNING - THURSDAY 12 MAY 2016 (DAY 3)

Day 3 Chair: TBD Project Manager

0900-0915

REFLECTION VIDEO & EXPECTATIONS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (roundtable seating)

A short video recapping Day 1 and Day 2 will be screened.

0915-1045

INTERACTIVE EVENT ON THE SDGs

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (roundtable seating)

Session Coordinator: TBD

Session Facilitator: TBD

This session is an interactive event that will test participant knowledge of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Participants will be divided into roundtable groups. Participants will review the 17 provided SDG cards and read five short project descriptions. Participants will identify those SDGs that each of the five GEF investments will deliver against. Participants will place SDG stickers next to the associated SDGs on a game board (placed on each roundtable). Results will be discussed and reviewed.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1045-1115

NETWORKING BREAK

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area

1115-1245

CROSSCUTTING AND THEMATIC LEARNING WORKING GROUPS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo, Turquoise and Aquamarine Rooms

Learning Cycle Part III

Sessions are organized by IW:LEARN partners on three topics:

- (1) Catalyzing Sectoral Transformation and Scaling Up Project Investments
- (2) Strengthening Governance Processes to Sustain Project Interventions
- (3) Effectively Managing and Utilizing Data and Information

A chair will be selected to head each thematic track for all four sessions on Day 1 and Day 3.

CATALYZING SECTORAL TRANSFORMATION AND SCALING UP PROJECT INVESTMENTS

Gender Equality for Improved Water Resource Management: Connecting SDG 5 and 6

Location: Indigo Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: UNESCO-WWAP/WWF

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
- (4) TBD
- (5) TBD

The workshop is part of IW LEARN 4 Sub Component 2.5, Activity 2.5.2 “Support Gender Mainstreaming in the GEF IW Portfolio through face - to - face workshops” . The workshop will provide theoretical and practical tools for gender mainstreaming in IW projects focussing on both groundwater and surface water. It will be structured into three parts:

(i) Review and synthesis of gender mainstreaming strategies of GEF and GEF Agencies: diagnostic and facilitated panel discussion on tailoring gender mainstreaming to IW needs and the GEF 6 IW strategy;

(ii) Gender disaggregated data and indicators: opportunities in the IW portfolio, and in the TDA process;

(iii) Tools and Examples from the WWAP and WWF activities: the WWAP Gender Toolkit, WWF's guidance on gender mainstreaming for WWF GEF project teams and presentation of concrete examples from WWF and WWAP projects. Simulations will be attempted using the gender indicators developed by WWAP and drawing from WWF's on-the-ground background experience.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE PROCESSES TO SUSTAIN PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

National Inter-Sectoral Coordination Mechanisms

Location: Aquamarine Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinator and Facilitator: Centre for Resource Management and Environmental Studies, University of the West Indies

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

(1) TBD

(2) TBD

(3) TBD

(4) TBD

(5) TBD

Assessment of National Inter-Sectoral Coordination Mechanisms (NICs).

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



EFFECTIVELY MANAGING AND UTILIZING DATA AND INFORMATION

Navigating the Jungle of Indicators

Location: Turquoise Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinator and Facilitator:

Subject Overview Speaker: TBD

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
- (4) TBD
- (5) TBD

The session will be broken into three interactive 30-minute sessions that will be used to guide participants through the process of indicator selection, particularly in the context of the TDA/SAP process.

Breakout Session 1: Values, Pressures and Threats Activity (WWF / UMCES / LHI). An exercise to generate a framework to conceptualize, identify and prioritize indicator topics.

Breakout Session 2: Indicator Identification and Selection (UNEP-DHI- with input from CI, WWF, LHI, UMCES). An exercise to use UNEP-DHI/UMCES indicator tools to select appropriate indicators.

Breakout Session 3: Presentation of Results, Feedback and Learning Discussion (UNEP, perhaps with IWLEARN?) A discussion to contextualize how chosen indicators can be used in the TDA SAP process.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1245-1430

LUNCH & SIDE EVENTS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo Center Point Grill & Bar

1430-1600

CROSSCUTTING AND THEMATIC LEARNING WORKING GROUPS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo, Turquoise and Aquamarine Rooms

Learning Cycle Part IV

Sessions are organized by IW:LEARN partners on three topics:

- (1) Catalyzing Sectoral Transformation and Scaling Up Project Investments
- (2) Strengthening Governance Processes to Sustain Project Interventions
- (3) Effectively Managing and Utilizing Data and Information

A chair will be selected to head each thematic track for all four sessions on Day 1 and Day 3.

CATALYZING SECTORAL TRANSFORMATION AND SCALING UP PROJECT INVESTMENTS

How to Integrate National Tools and Efforts at Regional Scales

Location: Indigo Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: Conservation International

Subject Overview Speaker:

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
- (4) TBD
- (5) TBD

How to transform national efforts into regional programs with shared or even global benefits. Demonstrating these benefits then catalyzes additional support from governments, NGO's and the private sector.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE PROCESSES TO SUSTAIN PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

Groundwater Management / Conjunctive Management

Location: Aquamarine Room

Session Chair: TBD

Session Coordinators and Facilitators: UNESCO-IHP

Subject Overview Speaker:

Panelists:

- (1) TBD
- (2) TBD
- (3) TBD
- (4) TBD
- (5) TBD

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Support training to enhance the capacity of the GEF System in groundwater issues, and in particular in conjunctive surface and groundwater management. Raise awareness, also among other focal area projects, on the threats and opportunities linked to groundwater and subsurface space, and on the need to integrate this fundamental resource and component of the natural environment into their strategies and project design. It will specifically support the GEF6 IW focal area strategic priority to focus support on more effective conjunctive management and sustainable use of transboundary surface and groundwater resources, together with associated ecosystem and the services they provide. The activity will also support sessions at the two International Waters Conference planned in this project (Component 2).

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



EFFECTIVELY MANAGING AND UTILIZING DATA AND INFORMATION

TBD

Location: Turquoise Room

Session Coordinator and Facilitator: TBD

Session Chair: TBD

Subject Overview Speaker:

Panelists:

(1) TBD

(2) TBD

(3) TBD

(4) TBD

(5) TBD

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1600-1630

NETWORKING BREAK

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area

1630-1730

PARTICIPANT-LED WORKSHOPS

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Indigo, Turquoise and Aquamarine Rooms

ECONOMIC VALUATION

Location: Indigo Room
Session Coordinators and Facilitators: UNIDO
Audience: Various

A session on tools on the ground, with practical project experience. Review work undertaken to date on economic valuation of international waters ecosystems. Identify methods for improving assessments and valuations of transboundary ecosystems. Identify methods to improve linkages between both science and valuation to policymaking.

Session Goals

Objectives



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Desired Outcomes



GLOBAL NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT TOOLBOX TRAINING WORKSHOP AND LAUNCH

Location: Turquoise Room
Session Coordinator and Facilitator: Chuck Chaitovitz, Global Environment and Technology Foundation (Global Nitrogen project)
Audience: GEF PMs; Focal Points/Policymakers; and Technical Experts

Hands-on learning session and interactive discussion to build capacity to use this unique toolbox (modeling, BMPs, policies, cases) in making decisions on nutrient management to promote good practices with consequent benefits to farmers, wider environment including improved water quality in key transboundary basins and large marine ecosystems

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



CAN SOCIAL MARKETING REDUCE THE GLOBAL IMPACTS OF EUTROPHICATION?

Location: Aquamarine Room
Session Coordinator: TBD
Audience: TBD

Eutrophication of coastal waters is considered one of the major threats to the health of marine ecosystems. Despite this increasing threat there has been limited success in engaging civil society, governments and private sector in collaborative efforts to reduce the impacts of nutrient pollution from sources such as agriculture and untreated wastewater. Social marketing is an evidence-based approach to changing behaviour and strengthening supporting policies that has proven successful

in addressing public health and environmental management issues. Although millions of dollars have been invested in nutrient management efforts there is little evidence of successful programmes that have worked to engage the public, increased collaboration and achieve measurable impacts on the health of marine ecosystems by reducing levels of nutrient pollution. This proposed presentation will examine the key lessons from several social marketing programmes and discuss how global efforts to improve the management of nitrogen and reduce the impacts of eutrophication could benefit from an investment in the development of more evidence-based social marketing approaches. The presentation will focus on lessons from the following key success in Tampa Bay, Chesapeake Bay and the Mekong Delta:

Remarkable Recovery of Tampa Bay's Marine Environment

Contrary to many other estuaries worldwide Tampa Bay is the only estuary in the United States which has seen an increase in population and an increase in water quality. The Tampa Bay Estuary Programme developed a nutrient management strategy that is now close to achieving its quantitative long-term goal of restoring seagrass coverage to baseline 1950s levels. Water is now as clear as 1950 despite the fact that there are now 2.3 million people living in the watershed. A series of social marketing and citizen-led actions, from pet waste campaigns to support for reductions in residential fertilizer use, have been important elements in the success of the TBEPS nitrogen management strategy. The Tampa Bay Nitrogen Management Consortium is a voluntary group of 40 stakeholders from municipalities and key industries such as electric utilities, fertilizer manufacturers, and agricultural operations. The consortium's efforts have resulted in more than 300 projects and the removal of 430 tons of nitrogen at a \$500 million cost to its members over its 10-year tenure.

Chesapeake Bay Campaign Achieves Policy Change to Reduce Nutrient Pollution

In Chesapeake Bay the social marketing campaign for Save the Crabs, then Eat them! used the focus on lawn care to help engage the public and achieve significant upstream change. Maryland passed a law to limit impact of lawn fertilizers on Chesapeake Bay. From May 19, 2011 manufacturers now required by law to reduce the nutrient content of their products. Scotts a major fertilizer company announced it would make all its lawn fertilizer products sold nationally phosphorus-free by 2012.

A Successful Campaign to Reduce Pesticide & Fertilizer Use in Vietnam

The 2003 Three Reductions, Three Gains (in Vietnamese, Ba Giam, Ba Tang) reached more than 2 million farmers and helped to reduce pesticide use by 30% and fertilizer use by 7% using an ongoing a radio soap opera to model key practices and develop new social norms. The initial operating budget allocated to this initiative through the Irrigated Rice Research Consortium funded by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) was less than \$50,000, yet it leveraged more than \$1.8 million from various local sources. In 2006, the Vietnamese minister of agriculture and rural development, Dr. Cao Duc Phat, proclaimed Three Reductions, Three Gains a national priority and provided additional resources to all provincial governments for its implementation. This policy contributed to scaling up of the campaign to the whole of Vietnam.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



JURISDICTION

Location:

Session Coordinator: FAO

Audience: Project managers of LME projects, country representatives, NGO representatives and industry

This session will focus on various aspects of fisheries management relevant in the context of IW Projects, in particular:

- Fisheries in the context of LMEs (ecosystem approach and ecosystem approach to fisheries)
- IUU fishing
- MPAs and fisheries
- Fisheries management in the ABNJ
- Market based measures and certification
- EAF Nansen project and scientific information
- Capacity development opportunities and needs for the promotion, implementation and monitoring of (fisheries-related) SDG targets, in particular SDG14

Format: TBD, probably facilitated panel discussion

- Market based measures and certification into theme 1, in particular the session transform industry
- EAF Nansen project - theme 3
- Capacity development opportunities and needs for the promotion, implementation and monitoring of SDG targets – theme 3, in particular the indicators session

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes

- ◆ Increased awareness regarding fisheries aspects in the management of coastal areas and beyond

1730-1830

INNOVATION MARKETPLACE REVIEW TEARDOWN & REGIONAL FAREWELL DRINK

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Ballroom (theatre seating)

Participants will be shown the online evaluation form and asked to complete it before their departure.

CLOSING IN COLOMBO - FRIDAY 13 MAY 2016 (DAY 4)

Attire: TBD

0800-0900

DEPARTURE AND TRANSIT TO COLOMBO VENUE

Location: Jetwing Blue Hotel Pre-Function Area → Nelum Pokuna Theatre, Colombo

Security screening at Nelum Pokuna Theatre

Innovation Marketplace setup

0945-1045

Day 4 Chair: TBD Project Manager

HIGH-LEVEL PROGRAMME

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

Session Coordinator: TBD

Session Facilitator: TBD

A short video recapping Day 1 and 2 will be screened.

High-Level Programme

- ◆ Anthem and Ceremony
- ◆ Address by GEF CEO
- ◆ Address by Prime Minister of Sri Lanka

SAP Signing Ceremony

Media Conference

1045-1115

NETWORKING BREAK

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

Innovation Marketplace Review with high-level delegation

1115-1245

VIEWS FROM POLICYMAKERS ON ACHIEVING THE SDGs

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

Session Coordinator: TBD

Facilitator: TBD

This session will focus on engaging participating country representatives and transboundary management bodies in the context of achieving Sustainable Development Goals.

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes

1245-1430

LUNCH & HIGH-LEVEL WORK LUNCH

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

Innovation Marketplace Review with high-level delegation

1430-1600

CLOSING PLENARY: LOOKING BACK, LOOKING AHEAD

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre

Session Coordinator: TBD

Facilitator: TBD

The closing plenary will feature reflections on the IWC8 and the take-home messages from each of its principal sessions. The implications of these messages in the context of future implementation of GEF projects will be discussed. Reflections and discussion will center on a GEF IW stakeholder forum. The forum will consist of a mixed and representative group of portfolio stakeholders of the portfolio. The mixed panel will comprise comprising, inter alia, project managers, government representatives, private sector and GEF agencies.

An award ceremony celebrating the winners of prizes for the best exhibit poster in the Innovation Marketplace; the winner of the WOW website competition, and the winner of the GEF IW Film Festival. A ceremonial transfer of the GEF IW Conference Cup to the next host region will follow.

- ◆ Scaling up GEF IW Investments from Source to Sea and Beyond in the Context of Achieving the SDGs: Feedback from Thematic Session Chairs and Coordinators
- ◆ Closing reflections from stakeholder panel
- ◆ Presentation of Awards and Transfer of the GEF IW Conference Cup
- ◆ Closing Statements

Session Goals

Objectives



Outputs



Desired Outcomes



1600-1700

Innovation Marketplace Review Teardown

TRANSFER TO GALA EVENT

Location: Nelum Pokuna Theatre → Park Street Mews, Colombo

1700-2000

25th ANNIVERSARY GEF IW GALA

Location: Park Street Mews, Colombo

2000-2100

DEPARTURE AND TRANSIT TO NEGOMBO VENUE

Location: Park Street Mews → Jetwing Blue Hotel

END OF CONFERENCE