

TWINNING

WHAT IS TWINNING?

Face-to-face learning event

One or more representatives of a project travel to another project or partner

Meet other project managers, scientists and technical experts, non-governmental organization leaders, and policy makers

Exchanges of project experiences and lessons learned

Multi-day or week "learning missions or exchanges"



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OBJECTIVES OF TWINNING ACTIVITIES

Exchange of project experience and expertise at the operational level

Project management capacity development for more effective protection of shared resources and sustainable management of LMEs

Knowledge management capacity development



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CRITERIA FOR LEARNING EXCHANGES

Person or institution proposing the exchange **MUST** be affiliated with a GEF-supported International Waters project (freshwater, coastal or marine)

Exchange partners may include:

- GEF International Waters or waters-related projects;
- National, State, Provincial, Local Government Agencies;
- Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs);
- Multi-Lateral Basin Organizations;
- Partnerships of agencies or organizations addressing LME issues



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CRITERIA FOR LEARNING EXCHANGES CONTINUED

At least one of the participating institutions should have demonstrated real progress to date

Priority will be given to potential exchanges that promote learning on the following project management and ecological priorities:

- Public Participation and Stakeholders Involvement;
- Knowledge Management or Knowledge Sharing;
- Monitoring and Evaluation;
- Water Management Indicators;
- Information Management, Data Management or Databases;
- Public/Private Partnerships for Financing and Project Implementation;
- Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA) and/or Strategic Action Program (SAP) Development;
- Sustaining and Replicating Successful Project Initiatives



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HOW DO I FIND A PROJECT TO TWIN WITH?

Attend the Regional Network meeting

Make sure you are on our Regional Network mailing list

Look out for our Twinning Portal

Ask the PCU for help

Visit our project database:

<http://marine.iwlearn.net/portfolio/projects>



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HOW DO I SUBMIT A TWINNING PROPOSAL?

Fill out an IW / LME:LEARN proposal form



GEF International Waters: Learning Exchange and Resource Network
([IW:LEARN](#))

and

GEF Large Marine Ecosystem: Learning Exchange and Resource Network
([LME:LEARN](#))

TWINNING PROPOSAL AND IDENTIFICATION FORM

Introduction, Purpose: Why an Exchange

General comments on why this exchange should happen.

Learning Objectives

A list the specific topics to be addressed by the exchange in bullet form.

Expected Outputs/Outcomes

Submit your proposal to the PCU for approval

Email to: info@iwlearn.org or natalie@iwlearn.org



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AFTER THE TWINNING EXCHANGE....

Fill out a Twinning Report and Evaluation form to reflect on the outcomes, impact and follow up actions as a result of the learning exchange



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Large Marine Ecosystem: Learning Exchange and
Resource Network ([LME:LEARN](#))

INTER-PROJECT STAKEHOLDER EXCHANGE EVALUATION REPORT

1.0 Participant Name, GEF Project or Organizational Affiliation and Contact Information

2.0 Host Institution(s)/Projects

Please mention the key people met

Date	Location	Activity	Institution	Persons Met

3.0 Purpose of the Exchange

Insert exchange objectives here, from proposal approved by [IW:LEARN](#) or from the workshop agenda

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MORE INFORMATION

Twinning guidelines form



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LEARNING EXCHANGE PROGRAM GUIDELINES

GENERAL INFORMATION

GEF IW: LEARN and [LME:LEARN](#) offers stakeholders in GEF-supported International Waters (IW) projects the opportunity to request support for learning exchanges across GEF projects and regions. The purpose of this program is to enhance adaptation and replication of practical experience in transboundary water resource management, with a focus on improving project results. Eligible participants include GEF International Waters projects and their partner institutions.

Key objectives of the Learning Exchange Program include:

- ◆ Exchange project experience and expertise at the operational level;
- ◆ Build mutual capacity for more effective and sustainable water resource management;
- ◆ Document and disseminate lessons learned from the exchanges.

Applicants must demonstrate **two critical elements** with proposals:

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Link to twinning information

<http://marine.iwlearn.net/services/management-capacity-building/twinning>



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GEF marine and coastal projects to collaborate with each other, non-GEF projects and/or Regional Bodies

Promote linkages and enhance coordination/collaboration across focal areas (LME, MPA, MSP and ICM)

Team up and address:

Common/transboundary issues;

Maximizing resources and human capacity;

Facilitating networking amongst projects

More sustained, lengthier intervention, including temporary embedding of personnel, specifically between projects

INTER-PROJECT COLLABORTION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)

WHAT IS ICO?



Up to 10 grants available of USD 15,000

Support a series of collaboration activities

Cover necessary air tickets and DSA (per diem) allowances to facilitate the execution of the ICO grant

All arrangements will be made by the Paris LME:LEARN Project Coordination Unit

INTER-PROJECT COLLABORTION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)

WHAT DOES ICO FUND?



1. Collaboration must include GEF-funded projects

2. Applications must demonstrate how the ICO is assisting in creating conditions for lasting relations between identified GEF projects, non-GEF projects, and/or Regional Bodies and across focal areas (LME, MPA, MSP and ICM)

3. Applications must be based on one or more of the following themes:

- o Addressing common/transboundary issues
- o Maximizing resources and human capacity
- o Facilitating networking amongst GEF projects

INTER-PROJECT COLLABORTION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA?



Example 1. A GEF funded MPA project applying to collaborate with a GEF funded ICM project and an LME project.

Example 2. GEF LME with a River Basin.

Example 3. GEF funded marine and coastal project with non-GEF projects (Seascapes, transboundary basins, regional seas bodies).


Example 4. Regional/global actors together with GEF marine and coastal projects.

INTER-PROJECT COLLABORTION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)


EXAMPLES



Identify the GEF-project(s) you want to collaborate with and work together to create your poposal using the template provided



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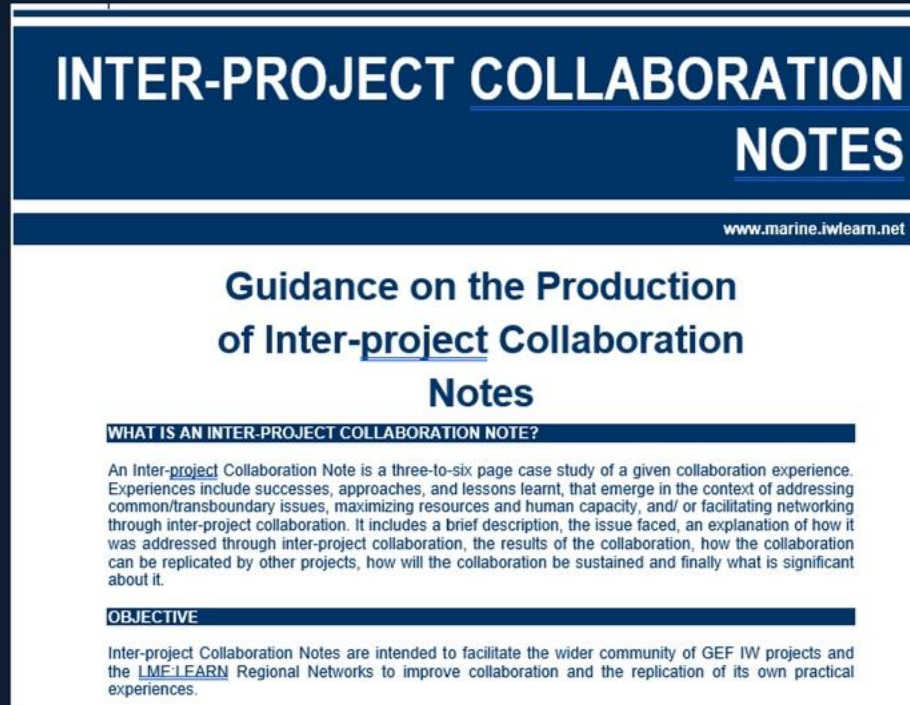
Submit your detailed proposal to the PCU
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INTER-PROJECT COLLABORTION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)

HOW DO WE APPLY?



Recipients of the ICO are required to submit a short note containing lessons learnt on the experience using the template provided



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INTER-PROJECT COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)

WHAT ELSE DO WE NEED TO KNOW?



INTER-PROJECT COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES

BACKGROUND

The Strengthening Global Governance of Large Marine Ecosystems and Their Coasts through Enhanced Sharing and Application of LME/ICM/MPA Knowledge and Information Tools or [LME:LEARN](#) project seeks to improve global ecosystem-based governance of Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs) and their coasts by generating knowledge, building capacity, harnessing public and private partners and supporting south-to-south learning and north-to-south learning. A key element of this improved governance is main-streaming cooperation and coordination between LME, Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and Integrated Coastal Management (ICM) projects with overlapping themes and geographic areas, both for GEF projects and for non-GEF projects.

GEF International Waters LME and ICM projects have already amassed considerable knowledge and experience. In order to harness these experiences and contribute towards the GEF's desire to have enhanced collaboration between the projects it funds, the Inter-[project](#) Collaboration Opportunities (ICO) seed fund grant was established.

WHAT ARE INTER-PROJECT COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES?

Inter-project Collaboration Opportunities (ICO) are seed funding grants for GEF marine projects that are active in the [LME:LEARN](#) Regional Networks and have specific collaboration needs. The funding allows them to team up and address common/transboundary issues, maximize resources and human capacity, and/or facilitate networking amongst GEF projects.

HOW MANY GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE?

INTER-PROJECT COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES (ICO)

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