

FOCUSED LEARNING DISCUSSIONS

Day 2, 1030, Conference Theme: Successful Scientific and Technical Innovations (Major topics include: SAP Implementation and Adaptive Management, Groundwater Management, Agriculture and Livestock Nutrient Reduction, Constructed Wetlands, Sustaining Fisheries and Conserving Marine Resources and Economic Valuation)

Six focused learning discussions will each feature an important IW management topic in which GEF support has contributed to a significant scientific or technical innovation. The topics include groundwater, nutrient reduction, constructed wetlands, fisheries, marine resources, economic valuation and innovative applications of the GEF TDA/SAP approach. These will resemble more traditional workshop formats, with brief contributions by projects and partners who will frame issues, challenges and replication potential related to these innovations, as well as form the basis for discussion in each group.

How can I participate in the focused learning discussion?

Knowledge contributor: Participants should not prepare formal presentations, but instead should come prepared to orally share personal or project experience as small case studies. One useful format which could be used is the GEF IW Experience Note (<http://www.iwlearn.net/experience>): What is the problem encountered, how was it addressed, what is the result, what is the significance of the outcome and how can the actions taken be replicated to resolve similar problems?

Discussant: All participants should be ready to share their experience related to at least one of the focused learning topics, and to discuss with fellow participants how to potentially adapt practical experience to their own or another IW context. This is an opportunity to actively problem-solve how to transfer innovative approaches or solutions to your own situation.