



GEF-IWLEARN

*The GEF International Waters
Learning Exchange and Resource Network*

facilitates information sharing and
structured learning among
International Waters stakeholders.

INBO, INTBO, ANBO General Assembly

Dakar, Senegal 2-6 November 2004



Demand-driven Support to GEF IW projects and partners:

Strengthening Legal, Institutional, Technical,
Management, and Information-system capacity

Through Knowledge Sharing among

Transboundary River, Lake and Aquifer Basins, &
Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs).

GEF-IWLEARN project components: 2004-2008



- **Information Sharing** among IW stakeholders
- **Structured Learning** among IW peers & partners
by region and by ecosystem-type
- **Biennial GEF IW Conferences**
Latin America (Rio de Janeiro, 2005)
Africa (Cape Town, 2007)
- **Testing & Transferring** Innovative Approaches
- **Fostering Partnerships** to sustain IWLEARN benefits

Basin-related Activities



- Facilitating Access to IW Information (with UNEP)
 - via Internet and traditional media
 - *What priority TWM needs should be addressed?*
 - *What information resources are available to meet needs?*
- TWM Structured Learning
 - Regional workshops to increase Public Participation (with ELI)
 - Dialogue Forums: regional & ecosystem-specific (rivers, lakes, aquifers, LMEs)
 - Stakeholder exchanges (with TWINBASIN)
 - *Which practices help TWM? Who is using them?*
 - *How to overcome challenges common to IW projects?*
- Partnership with Gender & Water Alliance
 - Traveling 'water stories' exhibition
 - *What gender and water stories to include from your region?*
 - *Would your organization like to host and use the exhibit?*



Activities in Africa

- 4th GEF IW Conference (Cape Town, South Africa, 2007)
 - Showcase regional TWM successes and lessons
 - *What should be showcased?*
- Public Participation Training
 - Promote Stakeholder Involvement in TWM (with ELI)
 - *How to involve civil society in transboundary basin projects?*
- Structured Learning
 - Share GEF experiences and lessons across African basins
 - IWRM training with ANBO & World Bank Institute (WBI)
 - Training with IUCN Water and Nature Initiative (WANI)
 - *What priority TWM needs should be addressed?*
 - *Who will be our contributors, partners and participants?*
 - *Where/when will these activities take place?*
- Linkages with GEF-IW information network (UNEP.net)

More INBO-Related IWLEARN Activities



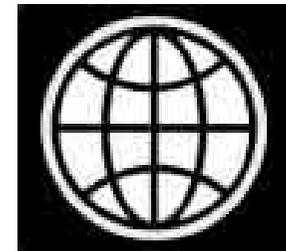
C. Two GEF IW Conferences (Rio 2005, CT 2007)

- Gather International Waters community to assess and share GEF experience among stakeholders, evaluators and associated programs (INBO networks, UNESCO-ISARM, IUCN-WANI, etc.)
- Assess TWM lessons learned, needs and priorities

D. Testing Innovative Approaches to Strengthen TWM Implementation

- Decentralize IW:LEARN services at regional scale (SEA-RLC)
- Global & Regional IWRM Roundtables with GWP (Japan and Southern Med)

IW:LEARN partners include:





For more information



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