GEF IW:LEARN

Scaling Up Knowledge Management and South-South Cooperation for Transboundary Waters Management

GEF LME:LEARN

A global service provider for LME's and their coasts

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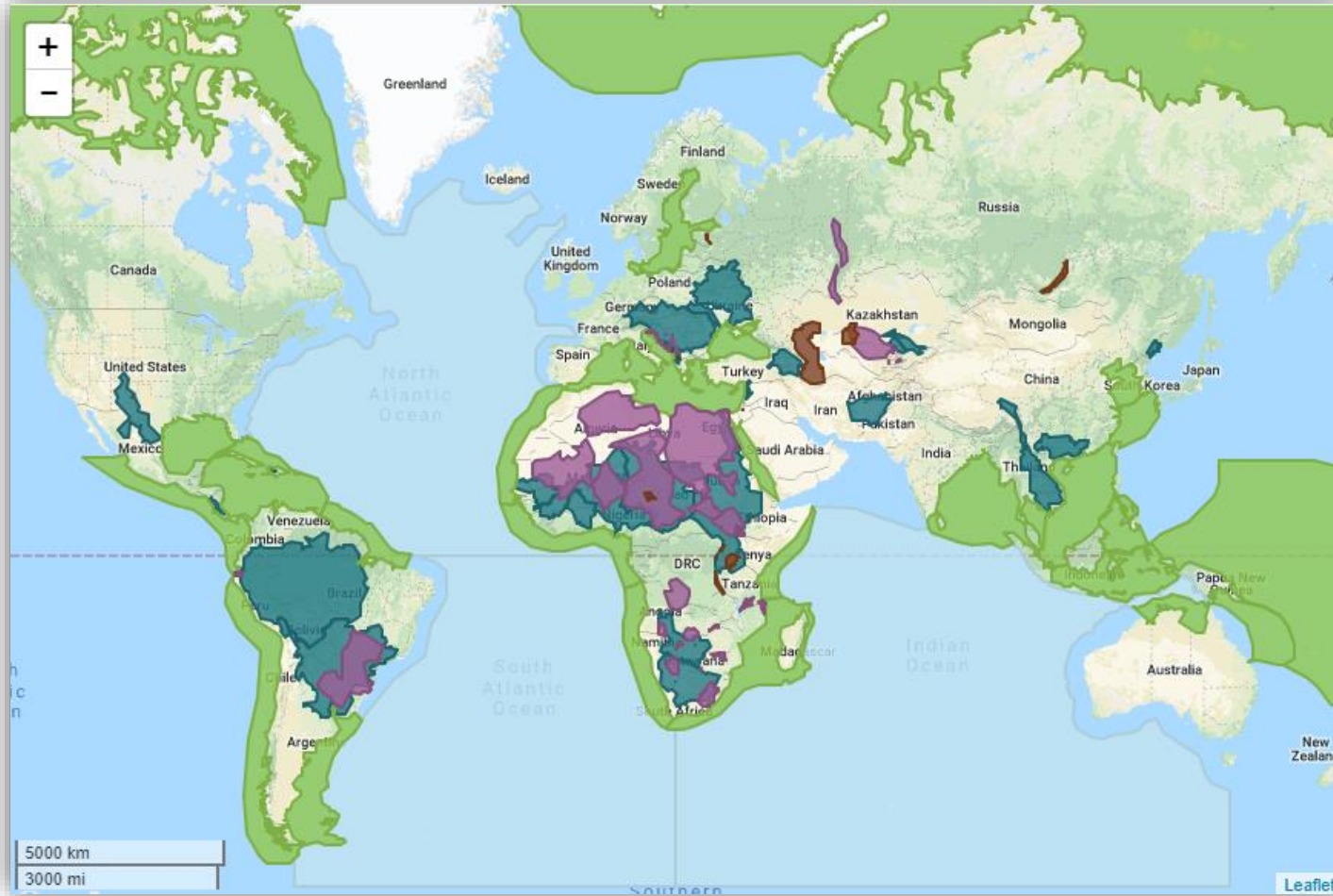**Head of Water & Ocean Governance, UNDP**

Multi-stakeholder Dialogue / Capacity-building
Partnership Event
24-25 January 2019
New York City

GEF International Waters Focal Area

International Waters Projects

- **33 transboundary river basins**

- **10 lakes**

- **7 aquifers**

- **23 Large Marine Ecosystems**

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GEF International Waters: Learning Exchange And Resources Network (IW:LEARN), www.iwlearn.net

Project Objectives:

- **Strengthen** knowledge management capacity
- **Promote** scaled-up learning of disseminated experiences, tools and methodologies
- **Improve** the effectiveness of GEF IW and partner projects

Implementation period: 2016-2020

Budget: USD 4.9M

GEF LME:LEARN, www.iwlearn.net/marine

Project Objectives:

- **Improve** global ecosystem-based governance of Large Marine Ecosystems and their coasts
- **Generate** knowledge, build capacity, harness public and private partners
- **Support** south-to-south and north-to-south learning

Implementation period: 2016-2020

Budget: USD 2.5M

Global Learning Partnership

Implementing Agencies

Project Partners

Executing Agencies

Project Outcomes

- **Centralized knowledge management for the GEF IW Portfolio & partners**

- **Improved capacity & implementation performance of GEF IW projects and TB waters institutions**

- **GEF IW projects moved from agency or ecosystem silos to increased partnership and cooperation (S2S…)**

- **A global network of practitioners; IW focal area identity; a culture of learning, systematic codification & dissemination of project experience**

Service Line

Knowledge Sharing and Partnership Building

International Waters Conference

Regional Training Workshops

Twinning

Global Dialogue Participation

Information Management

Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis

Strategic Action Programme

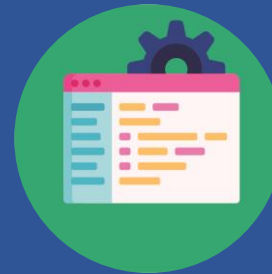Experience Notes

Results Notes

Synthesis Notes

Portfolio Results Archive

Newsletter

Website Toolkit

Programmatic Support

Visualization Tool

Manuals and E-books

Online thematic courses

Learning Exchange Service Center

Cross-Cutting Thematic Support

- **Economic Valuation (UNIDO)**

- **Private Sector Engagement (WWF)**

- **Legal and Institutional Frameworks (ICPDR)**

- **Environmental Flows and Sustainable Infrastructure (TNC)**

- **Climatic Change and Variability (UNECE)**

- **Water-Energy-Food Ecosystem Nexus (UNECE)**

- **Benefit Sharing (IUCN)**

- **Conjunctive Management of Freshwater (UNESCO-IHP)**

- **Gender Mainstreaming (UNESCO-WWAP)**

- **Source-to-Sea Action Management (CI)**

- **Ocean Governance (NOAA/ICES)**

- **Marine Spatial Planning and Blue Economy (IOC-UNESCO)**

GEF Biennial International Waters Conference

9TH GEF INTERNATIONAL WATERS CONFERENCE
5-8 November, Marrakesh, Morocco

IWC8 2016
📅 9 - 13 May 2016 - Sri Lanka
Eight GEF Bennial International Water Conference

IWC7 2013
📅 26 - 21 October 2013 - Barbados
7th GEF Biannual International Water Conference

IWSC 2012
📅 24 - 26 September 2012 - Bangkok
Setting the International Waters Science Agenda for the next Decade

IWC6 2011
📅 17 - 20 October 2011 - Croatia
6th Biannual International Waters Conference

IWC5 2009
📅 26-29 October - Cairns, Australia
The 5th Biennial GEF International Waters Conference

IWC4-2007
📅 31 July - 3 August 2007 - Cape Town, SA
GEF's 4th Biennial International Waters Conference

Results →
9 IWC's
2553 attendees
80% of IWC attendees report new partnerships established
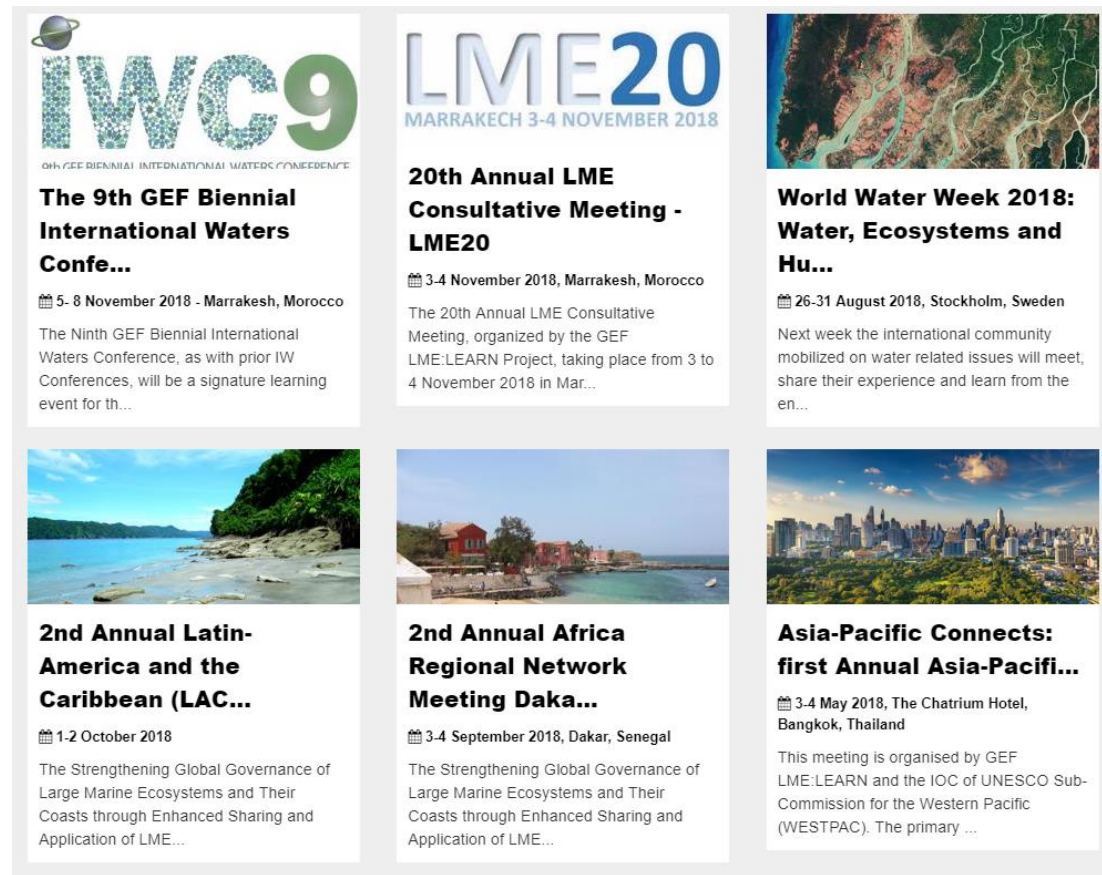
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North-South and South-South Learning in the GEF IW Portfolio

- **Training and Experience Sharing at the Regional Level**

- **Latin America-Caribbean, Africa, Asia-Pacific, Eastern Europe and Central Asia**

Results → 32 Regional Targeted Workshops
885 beneficiaries
129 GEF IW projects served

The 9th GEF Biennial International Waters Confe...

📅 5- 8 November 2018 - Marrakesh, Morocco

The Ninth GEF Biennial International Waters Conference, as with prior IW Conferences, will be a signature learning event for th...

20th Annual LME Consultative Meeting - LME20

📅 3-4 November 2018, Marrakesh, Morocco

The 20th Annual LME Consultative Meeting, organized by the GEF LME:LEARN Project, taking place from 3 to 4 November 2018 in Mar...

World Water Week 2018: Water, Ecosystems and Hu...

📅 26-31 August 2018, Stockholm, Sweden

Next week the international community mobilized on water related issues will meet, share their experience and learn from the en...

2nd Annual Latin-America and the Caribbean (LAC...

📅 1-2 October 2018

The Strengthening Global Governance of Large Marine Ecosystems and Their Coasts through Enhanced Sharing and Application of LME...

2nd Annual Africa Regional Network Meeting Daka...

📅 3-4 September 2018, Dakar, Senegal

The Strengthening Global Governance of Large Marine Ecosystems and Their Coasts through Enhanced Sharing and Application of LME...

Asia-Pacific Connects: first Annual Asia-Pacifi...

📅 3-4 May 2018, The Chatrium Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

This meeting is organised by GEF LME:LEARN and the IOC of UNESCO Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific (WESTPAC). The primary ...

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Project Twinning & Inter-Project Collaboration Opportunities

Exchanges between projects on a more programmatic and long-term basis
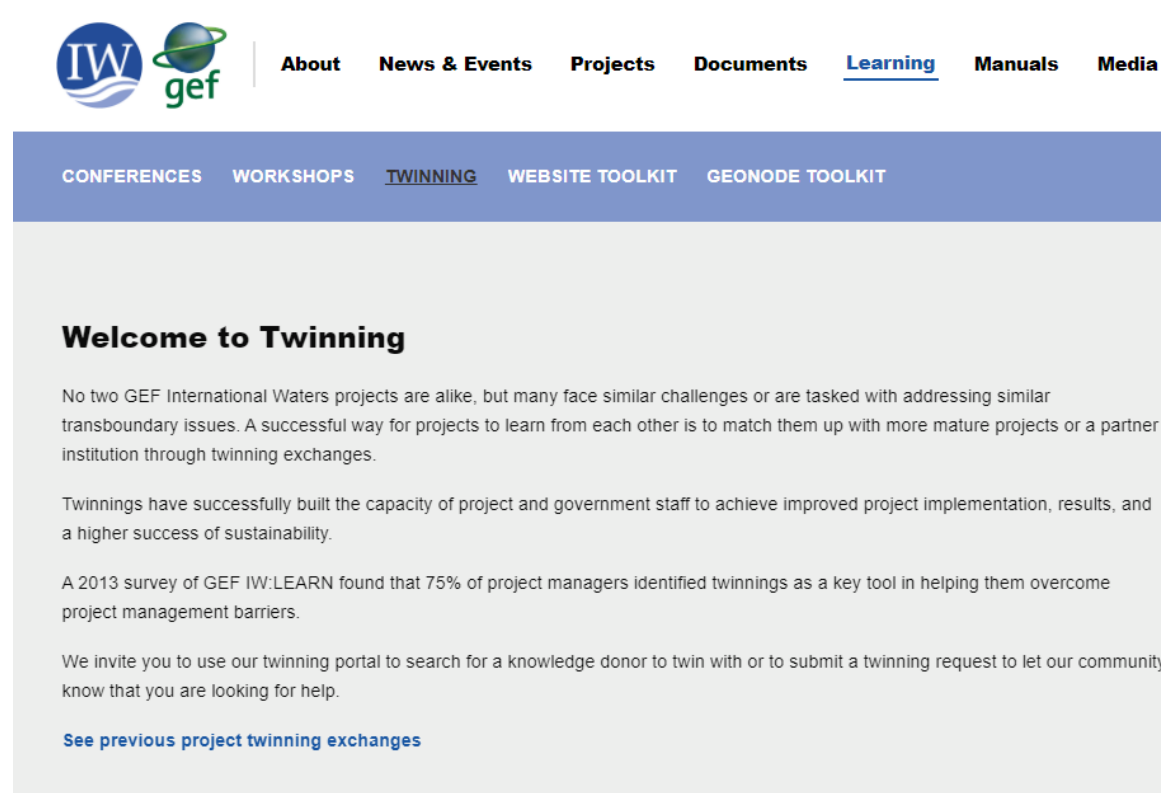
Results → 34 Project Twinnings
247 Beneficiaries
61 GEF IW projects

www.iwlearn.net/twinning

Project Website/Portfolio Content Management System

Results

4245 knowledge products

265 GEF project profiles

1883 partner contacts

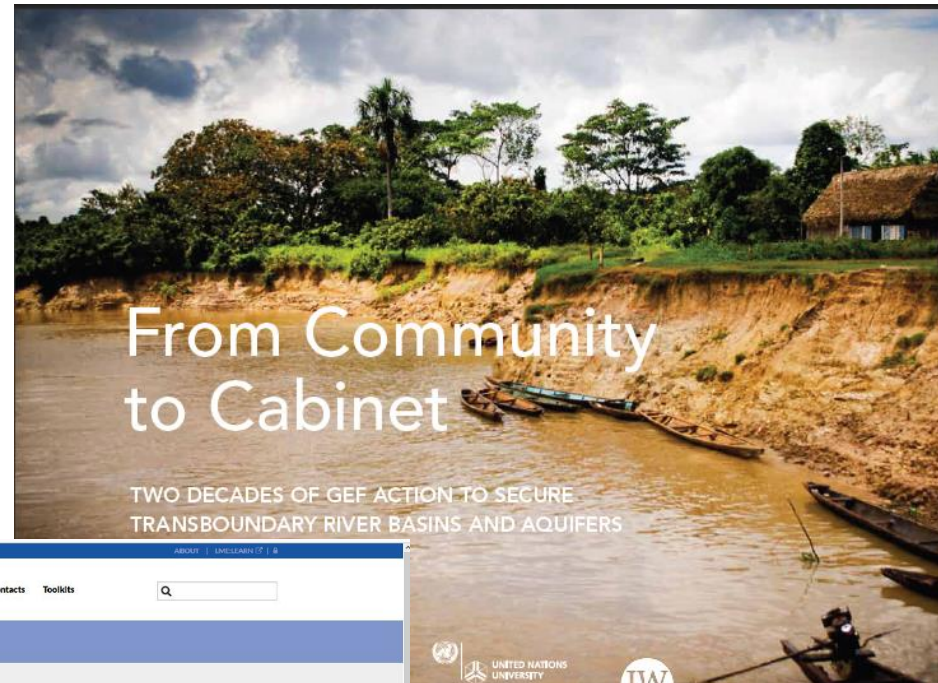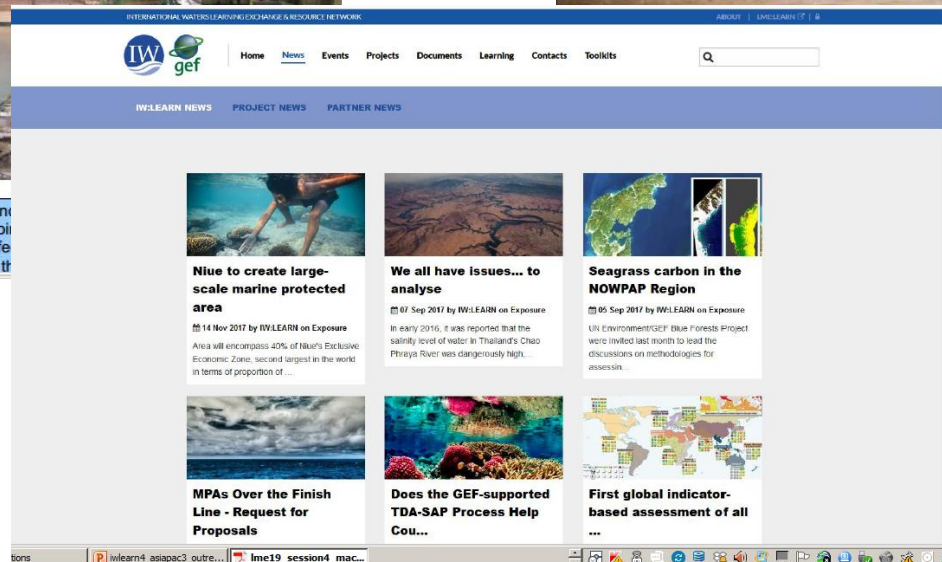77.4% of projects use the website in their daily work

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Information Dissemination & Synthesis

Results

1692 newsletter subscribers

105 IW Results Notes

34 IW Experience Notes

54 newsletters

www.iwlearn.net/news & www.iwlearn.net/experience

GeoNode Spatial Data Visualization Platform
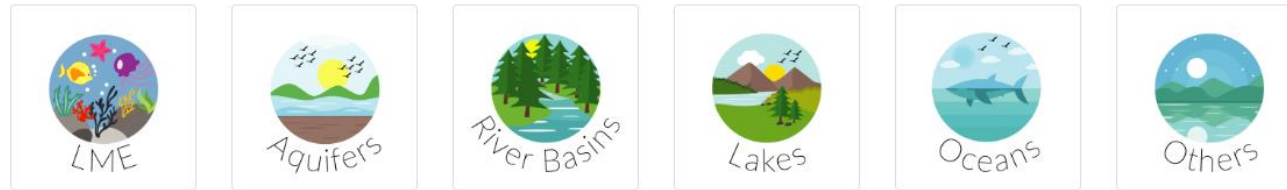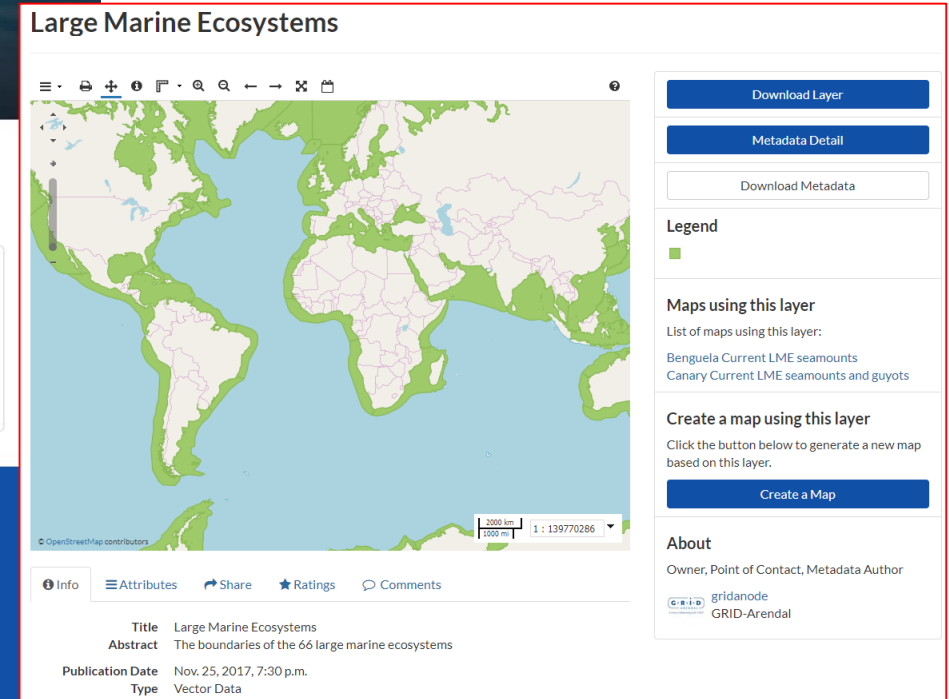
Results ➡ 180 project and transboundary water basin datasets

geonode.iwlearn.org

Large Marine Ecosystem Hub

www.lmehub.net

Guidance Manuals/Toolkits
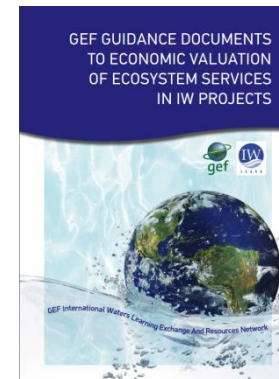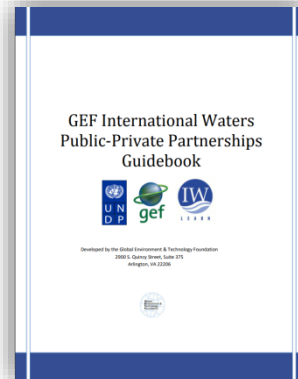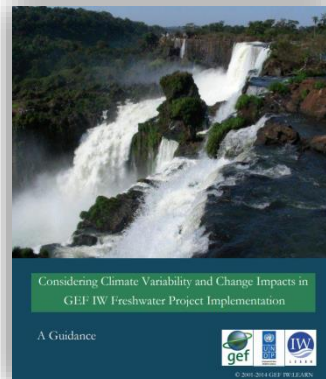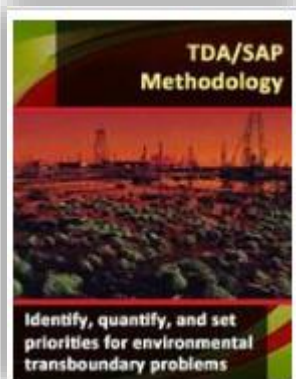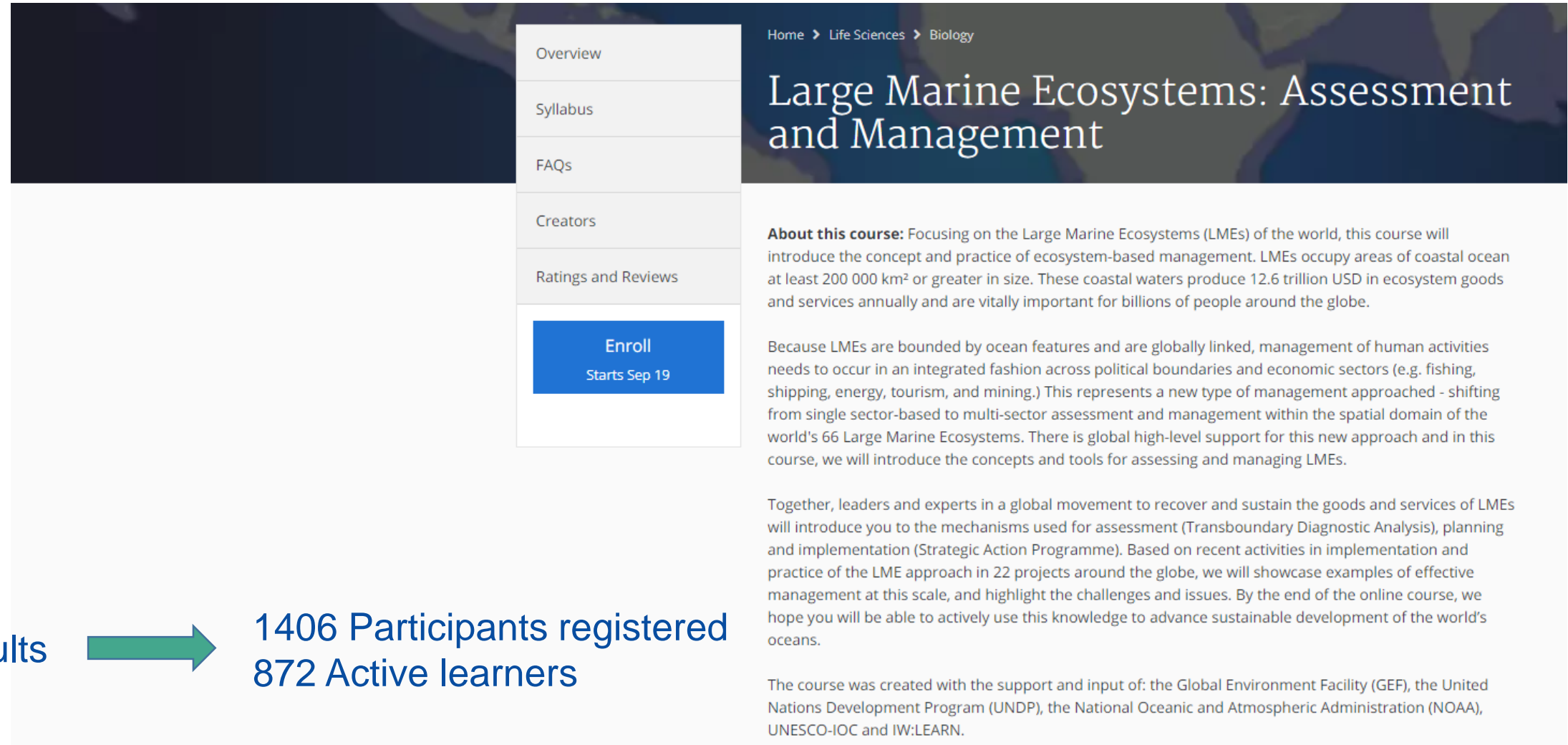

Results

13 Thematic Manuals/Toolkits
400+ documents in the library

www.iwlearn.net/manuals

Large Marine Ecosystem Massive Online Open Course

Large Marine Ecosystems: Assessment and Management

Overview

Syllabus

FAQs

Creators

Ratings and Reviews

Enroll
Starts Sep 19

About this course: Focusing on the Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs) of the world, this course will introduce the concept and practice of ecosystem-based management. LMEs occupy areas of coastal ocean at least 200 000 km² or greater in size. These coastal waters produce 12.6 trillion USD in ecosystem goods and services annually and are vitally important for billions of people around the globe.

Because LMEs are bounded by ocean features and are globally linked, management of human activities needs to occur in an integrated fashion across political boundaries and economic sectors (e.g. fishing, shipping, energy, tourism, and mining.) This represents a new type of management approached - shifting from single sector-based to multi-sector assessment and management within the spatial domain of the world's 66 Large Marine Ecosystems. There is global high-level support for this new approach and in this course, we will introduce the concepts and tools for assessing and managing LMEs.

Together, leaders and experts in a global movement to recover and sustain the goods and services of LMEs will introduce you to the mechanisms used for assessment (Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis), planning and implementation (Strategic Action Programme). Based on recent activities in implementation and practice of the LME approach in 22 projects around the globe, we will showcase examples of effective management at this scale, and highlight the challenges and issues. By the end of the online course, we hope you will be able to actively use this knowledge to advance sustainable development of the world's oceans.

The course was created with the support and input of: the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), UNESCO-IOC and IW:LEARN.

Results → 1406 Participants registered
872 Active learners

https://www.coursera.org/learn/large-marine-ecosystems

Regional Networks

Networks of professionals and practitioners involved in marine and coastal initiatives

Latin America-Caribbean

Africa

Asia-Pacific

Results ➡ Latin America-Caribbean: 46 members (collective reach across 26 coastal countries)
Africa: 70 members (collective reach across 35 coastal countries)
Asia-Pacific: 56 members (collective reach across 40 coastal countries)

https://iwlearn.net/marine/services/regional-networking

Thank You

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