



JOINT PROGRAMME

After SAPPHIRE and WIOSAP



Presenting Opportunities

- Blue Economy
- MSP
- MPAs
- LLMAs
- Circular Economy
- Climate change
- Ecosystem restoration

All around the decade of opportunities



GEF-8 International Waters Focal Area Objectives

Objective 1. Accelerate joint action to support Blue Economic Development

- Sustaining healthy blue ecosystems – marine spatial planning (MSP), marine protected areas(MPA), nature-based solutions (NbS) and payment for ecosystem services(PES)
- Advancing sustainable fisheries management –IUU, support sustainable fisheries value chains

Objective 2. Advance management in the Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ)

- Monitoring, control and surveillance of the ABNJ
- Science based management of ABNJ
- Port State Management Agreement, IUU

Objective 3. Enhance water security in transboundary freshwater ecosystems

- IWRM implementation and conjunctive management of surface and groundwater resources
- Increase water efficiency, reuse, and reduce point and non-point sources of pollution addressing both primary and emerging pollutants, along the source-to-sea continuum



Objective 1. Accelerate joint action to support Blue Economic Development

- Lead to cooperative legal and institutional frameworks built on TDAs/SAPs approach, towards addressing the multiple anthropogenic pressures, including, but not limited to climate, nutrient and noise pollution and improved management related effects in the LMEs;
- Contribute to the implementation of **Strategic Action Programmes** to support a healthy blue economic development by deployment of tools such as MSP, MPA, NbS and PES;
- Foster collaboration among LMEs, Regional Seas Conventions and Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMOs) to protect and restore these key habitats;
- Create multi-state cooperation frameworks in transboundary deltas including an integrated source-to-sea approach;
- Develop and update Marine Spatial Plans and Sustainable Blue Economy Plans to inform policy decisions in the EEZ;
- Establish and support marine protected areas of national and international importance, if identified in SAPs, and other area-based conservation measures in key biodiversity hotspots and coastal habitats through regional investments under LME SAPs;
- Restore degraded key marine and coastal habitats through deployment of Nature-based Solutions and Payment for Ecosystems Services demonstrations;
- Mainstream marine area-based management and spatial tools in regional entities, to delivering towards global targets;
- Stimulate private sector engagement, through relevant industry sectoral roundtables and industry groups.



Objective 2. Advance management in the Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ)

- Monitoring, control and surveillance of the ABNJ
- Science based management of ABNJ
- Port State Management Agreement, IUU
- Improve access to data and information to improve capacity to implement and enforce PSMA and combat IUU fishing.
- Support national ratification and implementation of the Port State Management Agreement
- Support regional/global efforts on Monitoring, Control and Surveillance of fishing activities.
- Coordinate science-based management of ABNJ by extending LMEs management structures.
- At the request of the parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction, once conclude, and with the agreement of the GEF Council, support national ratification, implementation and adoption of a potential agreement
- Advance global buy-in of industry standards and food safety protocols, as key drivers of ocean value chains
- Consider best practices and lessons learned from appropriate regional and sectoral organizations



Objective 3. Enhance water security in transboundary freshwater ecosystems priority areas of investment

- Formulation of, and updates to, [Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis\(TDA\)](#) and [Strategic Action Programmes\(SAP\)](#)
- Implementation of SAP priorities through regional and national actions.
- [Policy & legal reforms and improved management strategies](#) to address loss of connectivity and freshwater biodiversity and to support sustainable management of freshwater fisheries (including addressing IUU fishing) and aquaculture
- [National reform of policies, strategies and regulations](#) in accordance with regional agreements and MEA commitments
- Improved [policy formulation processes, IWRM implementation and conjunctive management of surface and groundwater resources](#)
- Build capacity to [gather and synthesize scientific data](#), and mainstream into decision making processes
- Establishment of [flood and drought early warning systems](#) and [disaster risk management plans](#)

Objective 3. priority areas of investment cont.

- **Nature-based Solutions** to improve water quality, freshwater ecosystem health, including wetlands and curb floods, droughts, climate change impacts, river/lake shoreline deterioration and to further aquifer recharge
- Ensure the inclusion of ecosystem dimension into **the water, energy, food nexus**, to further environmental and water security
- Testing **Paying for Ecosystems Services** in transboundary contexts and between ecosystems.
- Supply chain approaches for increased water efficiency and reduction of ecosystems pressures,
- Increase **water efficiency, reuse, and reduce** point and non-point sources of pollution addressing both primary and emerging pollutants, **along the source-to-sea continuum**
- De-risking **innovation** through incremental finance and piloting innovative technologies
- **Support fragile and/or conflict affected country-based pilot** to fully engage in the transboundary process

GEF-8 Integrated Programs related to International Waters

1. Blue and Green Islands Integrated Program

- Apply Nature-based Solutions(NbS) in key ecosystems that support socio-economic development in SIDS
- **Global level:** Natural capital accounting (NCA), integrated and comprehensive planning, enhancing financing options from public and local private sector and knowledge management, awareness and collaborative engagement
- **National level:** implementing NbS in key economic sectors-tourism, food(fisheries & agriculture) and urban

2. Clean and Healthy Ocean Integrated Program

- Supporting healthy blue economic development by curbing coastal pollution(Wastewater and nutrients)
- Reducing land-based sources of pollutions through NbS (agriculture, industry and municipal sector)

3. Circular Solutions to Plastic Pollution Integrated Program

- Biodiversity, International Waters, Chemicals and Waste and Climate Change Mitigation focal areas
- Tackle plastic pollution using a circular economy approach

Role of FARI

- Technical contribution on emerging issues
- Review and validation of technical documents including the different chapters of the TDA
- SAP review
- Technical contribution in terms of focus and input into the new programme

THANK YOU!