



GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY
INVESTING IN OUR PLANET

Knowledge and Learning in the GEF Partnership



GEF Introduction Seminar 2020
Washington DC

The GEF

is a

Knowledge Institution

The GEF is not just about raising and transferring funds to safeguard our planet.

It is also about building capacity, capturing/transferring critical knowledge and fostering collaboration to address global environmental challenges.

[GEF Intro Video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GXOtk6XlqvM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GXOtk6XlqvM)

Knowledge & Learning Objectives

Improve impact of GEF funded projects and programs

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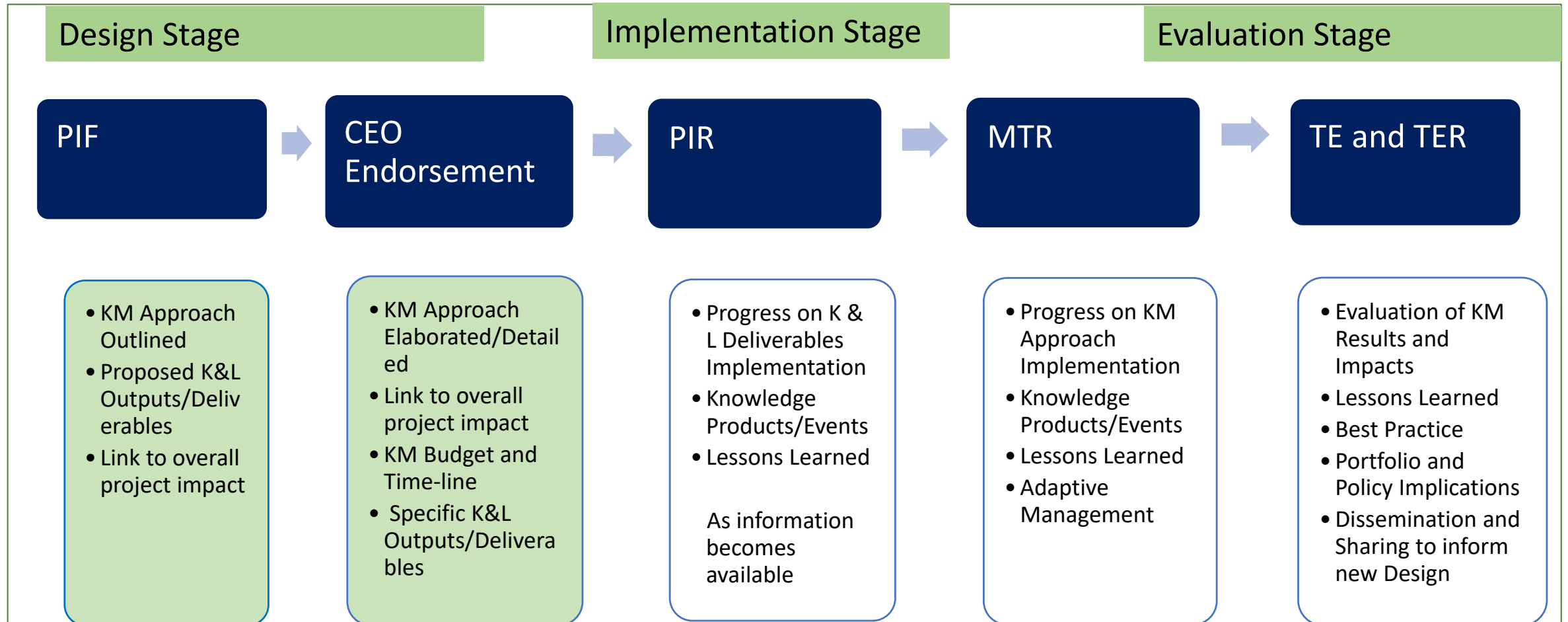
Inform global, regional and national **policy dialogues** and **investment decisions** to reverse global environmental degradation

GEF Knowledge and Learning Approach



GEF-7 Knowledge and Learning Requirements Throughout the GEF Project Cycle

Capturing and Sharing Knowledge for FSP and IPs/Child Projects



7 Criteria for KM Screening in PIF/CEO Endorsement Stages

Does the KM section of a PIF/CEO Endorsement submission contain the ingredients of a Knowledge Management Approach, including:

1. an overview of existing lessons and best practice that inform the project concept?
2. plans to learn from relevant projects, programs, initiatives & evaluations?
3. proposed processes to capture, assess and document info, lessons, best practice & expertise generated during implementation?
4. proposed tools and methods for knowledge exchange, learning & collaboration (at both program and project levels if a PFD), including knowledge platforms and websites?
5. proposed knowledge outputs to be produced and shared with stakeholders (at both program and project levels if a PFD)?
6. a discussion on how knowledge and learning will contribute to overall project/program impact and sustainability
7. plans for strategic communications?

GEF Portal



- Capturing key project data and information
- Monitoring of **real results** during project execution and comparison with expected results
- **Geographic references** : on GEF projects (maps and other)
- Control panel: status of all projects by country portfolio
- Public Access to information about GEF projects: enhancing transparency

Sharing and Disseminating Knowledge Globally:

GEF Knowledge Exchange

Toolbox:

- **Web-based Tools**
(Website, Kaleo, GEF Academy E-Learning, etc.)
- **Targeted Training Workshops**
(Intro Seminar, Regional ECWs, Country Dialogue Workshops, etc.)
- **GEF Knowledge Days – on site peer to peer learning**
- **Publications and Videos**
- **Technical Presentations at Key Events, COPs, etc.**
- **GEF Booths at Key Events, COPs, etc.**
- **Social Media Tools**
(Blogs, Twitter, etc.)




GEF Website & its Knowledge and Learning Page

<http://www.thegef.org>

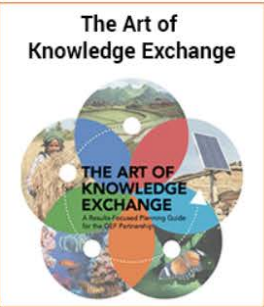
WHAT WE DO KNOWLEDGE & LEARNING PROJECTS

What we do


Knowledge is a primary asset of the GEF Partnership, and knowledge generation and sharing are critical for GEF investments to achieve a lasting impact in safeguarding the global environment. The GEF finances project, programs and initiatives that underpin the generation and exchange of knowledge around global environmental issues, facilitating the capture, synthesis, transfer and uptake of this knowledge within and beyond the GEF Partnership.

What do you want to know? 

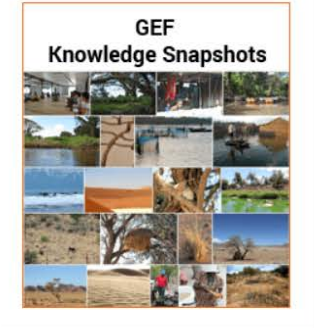
The Art of Knowledge Exchange



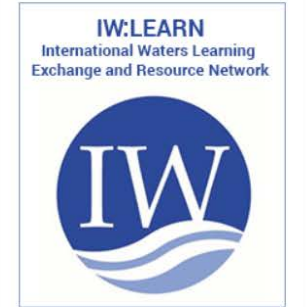
GEF Online Ask the Expert tool



GEF Knowledge Snapshots



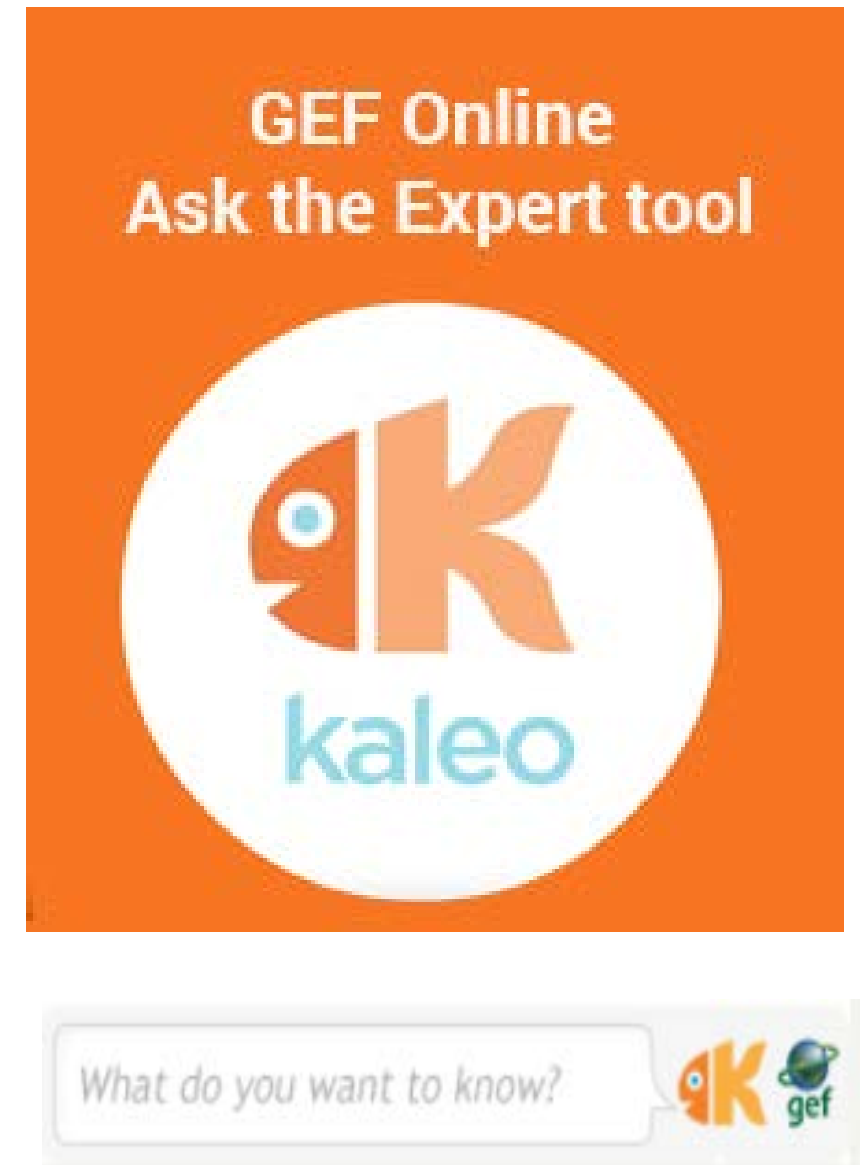
IW:LEARN
International Waters Learning Exchange and Resource Network



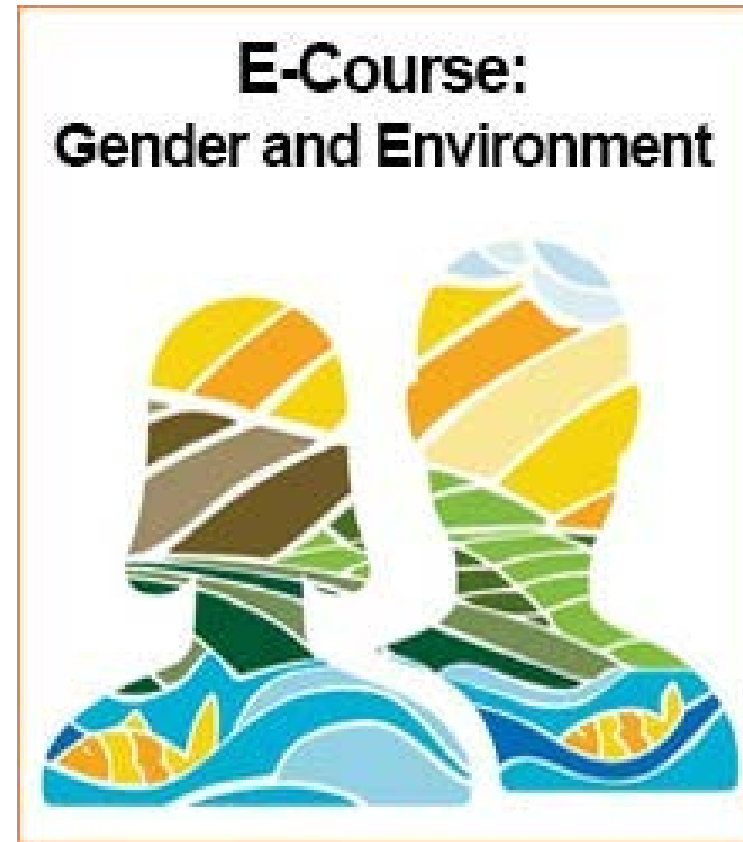
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Kaleo

- An innovative **software** developed by Kaleo, Inc. and adapted to GEF
- Platform of “questions and answers” and on-line tool for the dissemination of knowledge on GEF operations
- **Automatic learning:** provides answers which are “approved by experts”
- Accessible through GEF’s website
- Answers are stored in GEF Kaleo’s database and made available for the next user who asks a similar question



GEF Academy: on-line e-learning courses



The Art of Knowledge Exchange

A Results- focused Planning Guide and Toolkit for Practitioners



- **Practical blue-print** on how to design, implement, and monitor knowledge exchange and learning in projects.
- **Tools and instruments** to facilitate knowledge exchange and learning when designing and implementing GEF investments.
- **Case studies** of successful knowledge exchange in GEF projects with examples from WBG, UNDP, FAO, IDB, IFAD, UNIDO and SGP.
- **Mobile access** through **Blippar**, a free augmented reality mobile app that enables access to the guide from smart phones.
- Presented to GEF country counterparts at **the Art of Knowledge Exchange Training Sessions** held during regional Expanded Constituency Workshops (ECW) throughout 2017.

GEF-7 Knowledge Days

Peer-to peer Learning during GEF Expanded Constituency Workshops (ECW)

- Full-day **regional** knowledge and learning event, targeting country counterparts
- Complements the ECWs where participants receive training on GEF policies and processes as well as key principles for effective design and implementation of GEF projects and programs.
- **Hands-on** exposure to GEF financed projects
- **Field visits** to GEF projects to meet project managers and beneficiaries, and to observe key project lessons learned on-site.
- Where a field visit is not possible, the GEF Knowledge Day “brings the project to the participants” so that they can meet with project managers and beneficiaries off-site and discuss lessons and good practice **face-to-face**.
- Uses **Learning Stations**, an experiential learning method that was developed by the GEF Secretariat in 2016, where implementing agency staff also play an active role.
- Replicated in 13 regions to date, reaching more than 120 countries with more than 1200 participants.



Videos

GEF e-course introduction

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GXOtk6XlqvM>

GEF Knowledge Day

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qDPQxxTCQ1c&spfreload=10>

GEF Kaleo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DdhVLcqyv9o>



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