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- Burkina Faso
- Tunisia
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- Yemen Arab Republic
- Libya
- Jordan
- Guinea
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- **Country**: Ecuador
- **Project Title**: Management of Chimborazo's Natural Resources
- **Program Manager**: Mark Zimsky
- **Date Received**: 12-Nov-10

### IADB

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- **Type**: FP
- **Focal Area**: Biodiversity
- **Decision Sought**: CEO endorsement of FSP
- **Proponent**: IADB
- **Country**: Panama
- **Project Title**: Mainstreaming biodiversity conservation through low-impact ecotourism in the SINAP
- **Program Manager**: Mark Zimsky
- **Date Received**: 15-Nov-10

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- **Decision Sought**: CEO endorsement of FSP
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INTRODUCING GEFSEC’S NEW STAFF

Kseniya Temnenko, an Ukrainian national, joined the GEF Evaluation Office in November 2010 as the Knowledge Management Officer. Previously, she was an Evaluation Specialist in the UNICEF Evaluation Office where she was responsible for knowledge management of the evaluation function and the evaluation capacity strengthening. Among other tasks, she led the establishment of the internal M&E community of practice that united over 300 professionals from across the globe. She guided development of the UNICEF’s approach to advocacy monitoring and evaluation, contributed to creation of the institutional knowledge management framework, and championed development of e-learning activities at the United Nations Evaluation Group Training Task Force.

Kseniya has 11 years of experience in monitoring and evaluation, knowledge management, as well as in program management. She worked and consulted for the Eurasia Foundation, Institute for Sustainable Communities, UNDP, the Step by Step Association, and Charities Aid Foundation. Kseniya is passionate about social research methods and learning, especially in a complex multi-stakeholder environment.

Ms. Temnenko holds Masters Degree in Sociology, Specialist Degrees in the Russian and English languages and a Certificate from the International Programme Evaluation Development Training. She also attended training in knowledge management.

Thank you for giving a warm welcome to Andrew Hume who joined the GEF Natural Resources team as a Junior Professional Associate (JPA) on November 18.

Andrew is a dual US and UK citizen, but grew up in the Washington, D.C. area. He studied environmental science, both as an undergraduate and graduate student at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia. His graduate thesis research focused on marine ecology and oceanography, specifically biogeochemical cycling and hydrodynamics in benthic marine environments. Some of his work is now published and is excellent bedtime reading material.

In a former life, Andrew participated to multiple research cruises and field campaigns around the globe as a graduate research assistant and a research assistant at the Scottish Association for Marine Science in Oban, Scotland. Upon moving back to the US, he interned for the Office of International Affairs at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and most recently, was promoting market mechanisms for marine conservation with the Marine Ecosystem Services Program at Forest Trends, an international environmental non-profit organization based here in Washington, D.C.

Andrew is an avid waterman and enjoys sailing, windsurfing, surfing, fishing, and swimming. When forced out of the water, you can find him playing or watching sports, backpacking, and playing with his dog. He is very excited to be part of the International Waters focal area within the Natural Resources team and hopes to lend his experiences with marine and coastal management to further GEF’s mission.
Baljit Wadhwa, a Canadian national, is the new Senior Evaluation Officer leading the Performance Evaluation team in the GEF Evaluation Office. She is an expert on sustainability assessment and sustainability indicators for both public and private sector entities.

Previously as the Monitoring & Evaluation Lead with the International Finance Corporation (IFC)’s Sustainable Business Advisory Services Department, Baljit advised the Department Director and Program Leaders on results measurement strategies and impact realization for projects in the broad areas of climate change, biodiversity markets, labor & social standards, corporate governance and SME development. Ms. Wadhwa has also managed and undertaken several evaluations of projects/programs for international agencies (e.g. CIDA, World Food Programme, IFC) national government departments and community development agencies. Prior to IFC, Baljit worked as a Senior Sustainability Analyst with Calvert Investments, a leading US sustainable investment firm, reviewing publicly listed domestic and emerging market companies for environmental, social and governance (ESG) metrics in their policies, programs and performance as well as dialoguing with companies on the same. Her responsibilities also focused on financial responses to climate change and resulted in the launch of Calvert’s Global Alternative Energy Fund.

In addition to her experience as an evaluator, Baljit has also worked alongside the infrastructure, oil, gas and mining industries carrying out stakeholder engagements for proposed energy, mining & transportation projects. Her specialization is community consultations and facilitating use of traditional knowledge in impact studies.

Baljit holds a Master of Environment Studies from University of Waterloo and Bachelor of Science in Molecular Biology from University of Calgary in Canada. She is also a LEED Accredited Professional with the US Green Building Council. When not working, Baljit likes to practice outdoor pursuits including kayaking, hiking and camping. She also enjoys making up new recipes and photographing local and foreign places/people.