



# ***IW:LEARN Regional Workshop on Economic Valuation and Water-Related Decision Making***

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# Session Outline

## Monday

**Session 1:** Principles of economic valuation of ecosystems

**Session 2:** Application of ecosystem valuations in IWRM

## Tuesday

**Session 2:** ...continued

**Session 3:** Methods of ecosystem valuation

**Session 4:** Using valuations to influence decision making

- The importance of goals and communication

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## Wednesday

**Session 5:** Designing and implementing valuation studies

- Roadmap for meeting goals

**Session 6:** Development of personal action plans (PAPs)

**Session 7:** Summary and evaluation

# Exercises & PAPs

**Session 1:** River basin benefits & costs

**Session 2:** PAP1 – emerging issues of economic valuation in my work

**Session 4:** PAP2 – goals for valuations in my work and projects

**Session 5:** PAP3 – steps and key issues to be addressed

**Session 6:** PAP4 – practical steps for application & continued learning

**Questionnaire:** IW Experience Notes

# Learning resources

- VALUE toolkit
- GWP toolbox
- CD & website
- People
  - resource team
  - workshop participants
- Networks



# Goals and focus

## *Formal goals*

- improving understanding of the relevance of economic values of ecosystems to water planning and management decisions;
- enabling the use of ecosystem valuation in options assessment and environmental flow analysis;
- identifying how ecosystem valuation can inform the GEF TDA and SAP processes;
- equipping participants with the practical skills, capacities and network access needed to get started in applying economic valuation in IWRM.

## *Focus*

- *not* on how to do valuation – but: how to use valuation