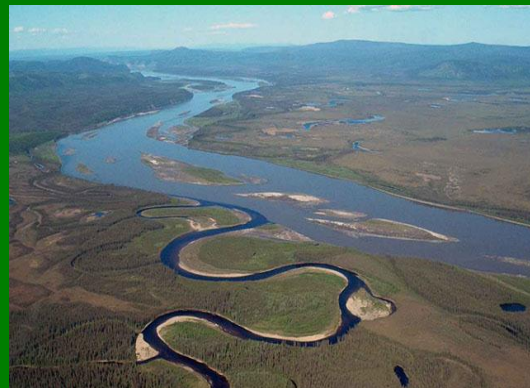




International Waters Focal Area

International Waters (IW) includes transboundary river lake, and groundwater basins; also oceans, coasts, Large Marine Ecosystems and connected river basins



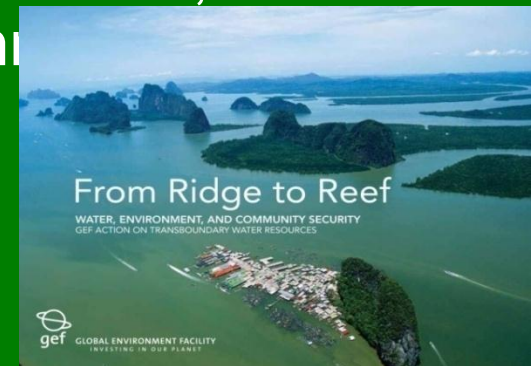


GEF International Waters Portfolio


GEF is largest investor in multi-country collective management of transboundary water systems: \$1.37 billion GEF/\$7.1 billion co-financing totaling to date more than 220 projects since 1995.

150 GEF recipient states are cooperating with 23 non-recipient states on their particular shared water systems.

In working to reverse fisheries depletion, reduce water pollution, and balance conflicting water uses through IWRM, GEF contributes to water, environment, and community security as well as regional stability.


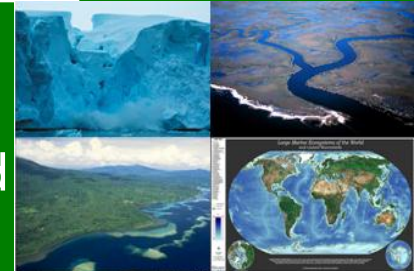


GEF5 IW Objectives



Objective 1: Catalyze multi-state cooperation to balance conflicting water uses in transboundary surface and groundwater basins while considering climatic variability and change

- **Objective 2:** Catalyze multi-state cooperation to rebuild marine fisheries and reduce pollution of coasts and Large Marine Ecosystems while considering climatic variability and change

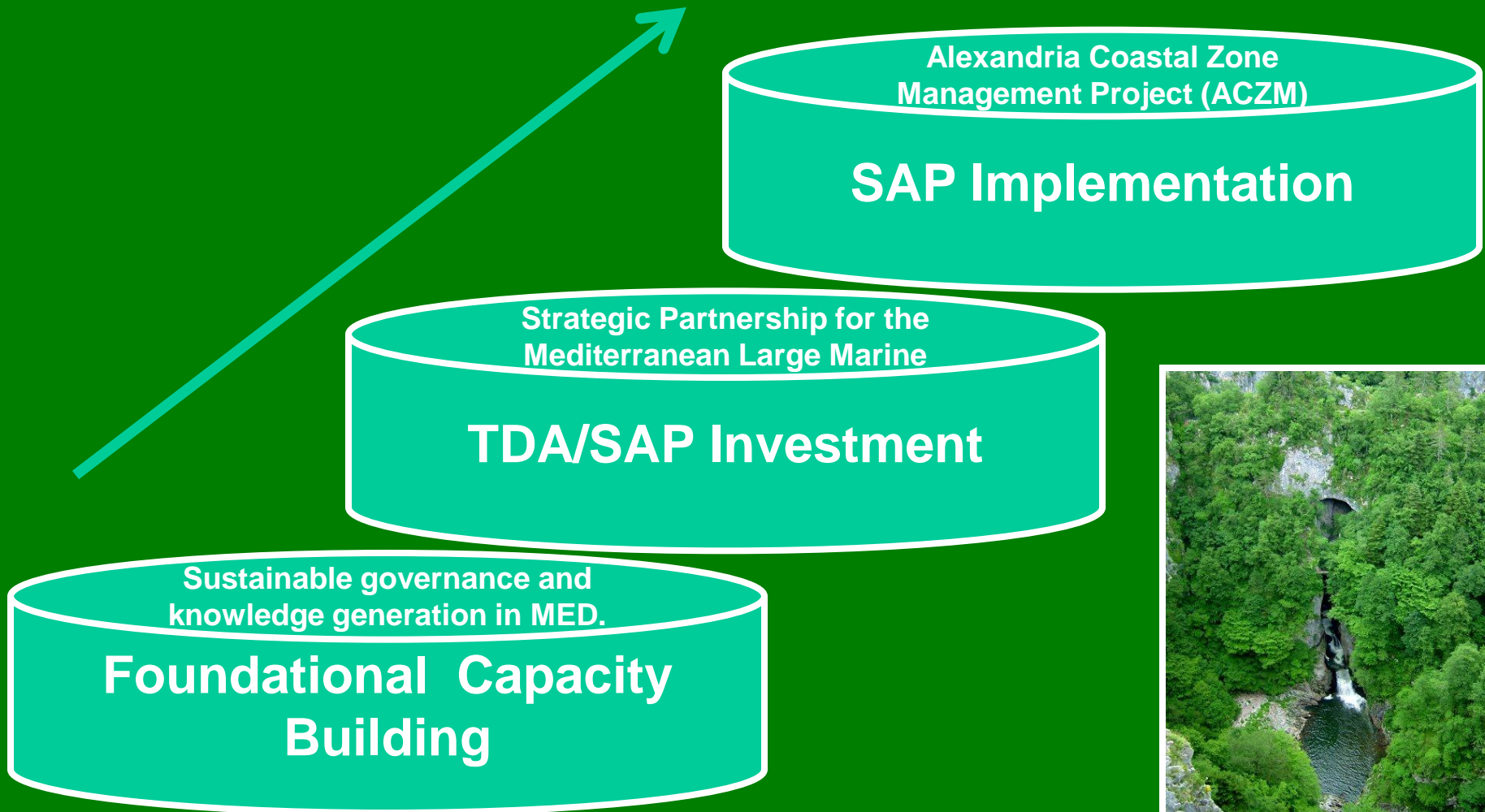


- **Objective 3:** Support foundational capacity building, portfolio learning, and targeted research needs for joint, ecosystem-based management of trans-boundary water systems

- **Objective 4:** Promote effective management of Marine Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ)



GEF IW investment modality



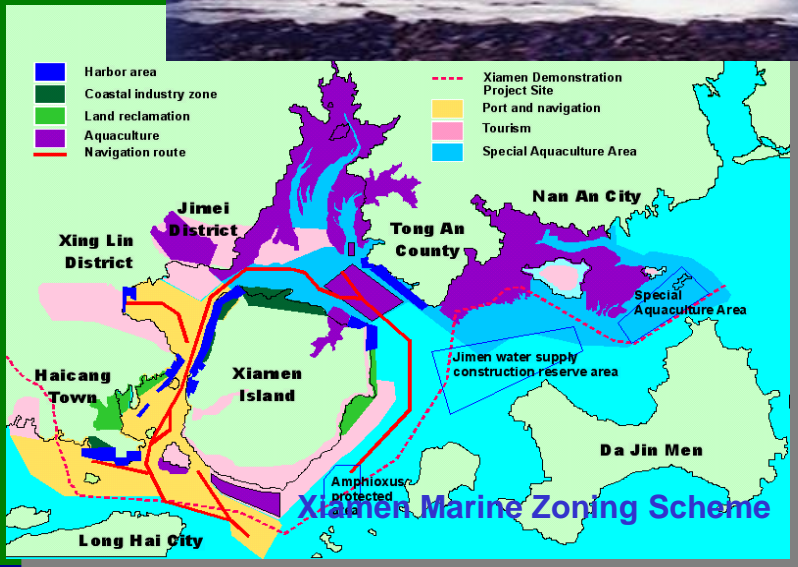
Protection and Sustainable Use of the Dinaric Karst Transboundary Aquifer System (DIKTAS)

- 1st project to introduce sustainable integrated management in a TB karstic freshwater aquifer.



- Key Outputs:
 - establishment of national inter-ministry committees,
 - approval of TDA,
 - endorsement of SAP
 - establishment of a joint permanent consultation mechanism

Fostering Sustainable Development of Coastal Areas





GEF IW Ecosystem-Based Approach to Management at Multiple Scales

Large Marine Ecosystem Scale

(South China Sea LME-UNEP)

Coastal Municipality/Provincial ICM scale

(Da Nang, Vietnam - UNDP PEMSEA)



River Basin Linkage Scale

(GPA Mekong River Basin/delta - World Bank)

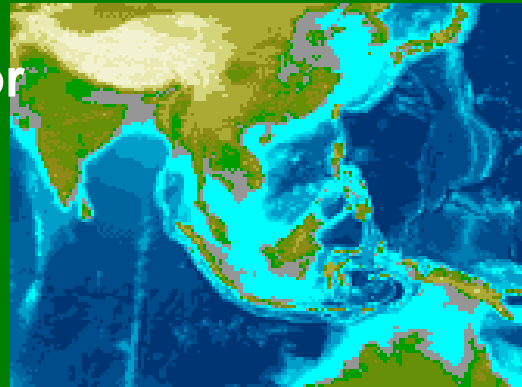
Local Community-based Demo Sites

(Phu Quoc Fish Refugia Vietnam- UNEP)

Strategic Partnership for Nutrient Reduction in the Danube River and Black Sea - World Bank-GEF Nutrient Reduction Investment Fund



The Pollution Reduction Fund for the East Asian LMEs (World Bank with UNDP - IMO)



The Strategic Partnership for the Mediterranean Sea LME (World Bank - UNEP)