

Background

Since 1999, seminars on nature conservation in development cooperation have been held annually at the International Academy for Nature Conservation Isle of Vilm. They are jointly organised by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and this year also on behalf of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB), and the International Academy for Nature Conservation Isle of Vilm of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN). The first seminar “Biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing” presents an overview of the most relevant concepts, developments and tools in biodiversity conservation with regard to development cooperation and offers a broad forum for the exchange of experiences. The second seminar is devoted to the in-depth consideration of a specific topic identified as of particular interest. Based on feedback from last year’s participants and ongoing discussions in the development policy arena, the topic “Management of land- and seascapes: for people and nature” was chosen for 2014. The language of both seminars will be English.

Venue

Both seminars will take place at the International Academy for Nature Conservation Isle of Vilm (see <http://www.bfn.de/06>), an island in the Baltic Sea next to Ruegen Island. The Isle of Vilm has been a protected area for many centuries.

Biodiversity conservation for human well-being

Objectives

- To convey new concepts, tools and instruments of nature conservation and development cooperation
- To raise awareness for the significance of the CBD as a strategic instrument for development oriented nature conservation
- To offer a forum for the exchange of experiences.

Contents

The following topics will be dealt with by lectures, case studies, group work and discussions:

- Current trends in German development cooperation with regard to biodiversity conservation and natural resource management
- New directions arising from the CBD and its strategic plan
- Balancing conservation and development interests: a critical review of approaches and achievements
- Facing and responding to external threats to conservation
- Valuing and financing biodiversity conservation
- Protected areas: concepts, current issues and developments
- Monitoring biodiversity on all levels

The seminar will consist of expert input, group work, discussions and exercises. Participants will choose between 2 parallel training units to practise certain tools. A related field trip will take place in the middle of the seminar.

Focus Seminar Management of land- and seascapes: for people and nature

Background

Land- and seascape approaches to conservation have arisen, since the mid-1990s, in response to the challenges of climate change, habitat fragmentation and loss of essential ecosystem goods and services. The tremendous scale and complexity of human impacts on the ecological integrity on land and at sea transcend traditional political and governmental boundaries. Land- and seascape-scale conservation aims to take a holistic approach, looking not just at biodiversity, but also at social and economic values and objectives. Such an approach needs to fit into overall spatial and development planning. Land- and seascape-approaches are hence multi-jurisdictional, multi-purpose and multi-stakeholder.

Objectives

Participants shall

- understand the concepts and objectives of different approaches to land- and seascape management and planning
- become aware of the potentials and challenges of the different approaches
- be able to advise on and apply tools to implement land- and seascape management and planning approaches

Contents

The workshop will use case studies to clarify underlying assumptions, identify possible entry points and undertake the various steps of land- and seascape planning and management approaches. Existing concepts such as Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM), “Ridge to reef”, Watershed Management will be explored and put in context.

A related field trip will take place in the middle of the seminar.

Registration form

You preferably register online at:

http://www.bfn.de/10990.html?&tx_blitzcalendar_pi1%5Bcid%5D=2441

http://www.bfn.de/10990.html?&tx_blitzcalendar_pi1%5Bcid%5D=2442

You may also register with this form.

I hereby register for the:

- () Seminar “**Biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing**”, 03 – 08 August, 2014
- () Focus seminar “**Management of land- and seascapes: for people and nature**”, 10 – 15 August, 2014

Name:

Institution/ Organisation:

Address:

Phone:

Fax:

E-mail:

I wish a () single room (58 €/ night)
() double room (43 €/ night) if available

I wish vegetarian food () yes () no

I eat fish () yes () no

Special diet?

Registration deadline: 15 March 2014

Forms to be sent to:

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Target group

The target group of the seminars are practitioners at the interface of development cooperation and biodiversity conservation (from GIZ, KfW, BMZ, BMUB, foundations, NGOs, consulting companies, research institutions and others).

The number of participants for the 1st seminar is limited to 20, for the 2nd seminar to 25.

Costs

The costs of the 1st seminar (03 – 08 August) will be around 430 € per participant (including full board and lodging). For the 2nd seminar (10 - 15 August), around 800 € per participant have to be calculated (including full board and lodging). The final price can only be set by mid May 2014. A late cancellation of your registration within 30 days prior to the start of the seminar will imply a fee of about 360 € in case no substitute can be found.



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in German development cooperation

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