



Ecosystems across Borders:

New approaches to transboundary management of Asia's coastal and river systems

November 18 12:15-1:15 pm Hall 3 Nth Pod

Light refreshments will be served

This event will share the experiences gained through two innovative programmes - Mangroves for the Future (MFF) and Ecosystems for Life (E4L) - in fostering transboundary collaboration and driving conservation and sustainable development in Asia.

You will learn how both projects have developed innovative governance mechanisms that foster ownership and collaboration at local, national and regional levels -- bringing government, civil society and private sector together to discuss their common challenges and develop solutions together. Case studies from South and Southeast Asia will be highlighted with a focus on lessons learned and potential for applying these successful models in other parts of the world.

MFF, co-chaired by IUCN Asia and UNDP, operates in 11 countries across Asia with a focus on building the resilience of coastal communities and protecting vulnerable coastal ecosystems. One of the areas it has been working in is the Sundarbans, the largest mangrove area in the world and a World Heritage Site shared between Bangladesh and India. E4L is a Bangladesh-India initiative which supports multi-stakeholder research and dialogue processes and seeks to promote a better understanding of transboundary ecosystems between Bangladesh and India.

