



Resource mobilization training webinar

How to access the Green Climate Fund (GCF) for the conservation of wetlands

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands invites you to join a training webinar on “How to access the Green Climate Fund (GCF) for the Conservation of Wetlands”. Dr. Lifeng Li, Coordinator of Support Programmes at the GCF, will conduct this webinar. It aims to build understanding and ability to access one of the multilateral environmental funds by showing its mechanism and “step-by-step” procedures.

Schedule:

<u>Date / Time</u>	<u>Language</u>	<u>Registration link</u>
24 March (Tuesday), 9.00 am CET	English	Click to register
24 March (Tuesday), 10.00 pm CET	English	Click to register

Note: this webinar will be provided only in English.

Programme (60 minutes):

1. What is the GCF?
2. Who is eligible to access the GCF?
3. How to access the GCF: Step-by-step to access the GCF (empowering, accreditation, funding projects, and implementation).
4. Current GCF priority areas – how to link wetlands conservation with GCF’s priorities.
5. Case examples.

Registration:

Click on the registration link above for the webinar of your choice. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. All registrants will receive a link to the recording – so please consider registering even if you cannot attend the live event.

About GCF:

The GCF is the world's largest dedicated fund helping developing countries reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and enhance their ability to respond to climate change. It was set up by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in 2010. The GCF has a crucial role in supporting implementation of the Paris Agreement.

Speaker from GCF:

Dr. Lifeng LI, Coordinator of Support Programmes, Division of Country Programming, Green Climate Fund (GCF)



Dr. Li is responsible for the GCF's Readiness and Preparatory Support Programmes (including National Adaptation Planning). Through these programmes, he leads the team to support 148 eligible countries to the GCF in building their readiness and capacity, formulating country climate strategies including adaptation plans and nationally determined contributions (NDCs), and developing project pipeline for GCF investment in the future.

Prior to joining the GCF, Dr. Li was Head of Programmes of Wetlands International and oversaw all Programmes on water resources management, deltas and coasts, peatlands, biodiversity and disaster reduction, and their implementation through collaboration with 20 national and regional offices.

Prior to this, he was Global Freshwater Programme Director of WWF International and led the development of WWF's Freshwater Strategy, guiding its implementation through collaboration with WWF offices in over 40 countries. He took various roles in WWF China as the Coordinator, Officer, then Director of Freshwater Programme from 2002 to 2008, when he played an instrumental role in establishing and organising the Yangtze Forum – a minister- and provincial-governor-level platform that promoted integrated river basin management (IRBM) in the Yangtze and China. He was a post-doctoral researcher in the Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources Research, Chinese Academy of Sciences from 2002 to 2003, after he attained his PhD degree in geography from the Chinese Academy of Sciences in 2002.