



The international EbA Community of Practice

Knowledge sharing and mutual learning beyond projects, institutions and regional boundaries



A community of EbA practitioners, planners, think tanks and decision-makers

Objective

The [international EbA Community of Practice](#) aims at knowledge and experience sharing and mutual learning beyond projects, institutions and regional boundaries on Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA). Its purpose is to jointly develop harmonized approaches, evidence-based lessons learned and best practices for how to plan and implement effective EbA to help people adapt to the adverse effects of climate change through a collaborative learning process.

Members of this knowledge and exchange network are primarily from national governments, international organisations, civil society and research institutions with an interest in strengthening Ecosystem-based Adaptation in planning and decision-making.

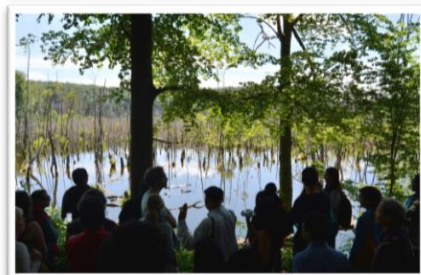
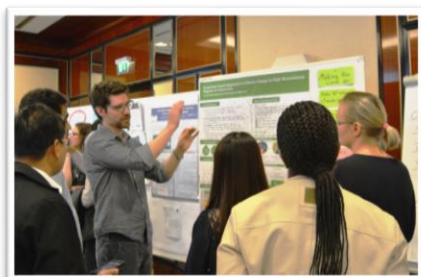
Topics covered

Since its foundation in 2015, the network has focused on the following **topics**:

- Tools and methods for mainstreaming EbA,
- Entry points for EbA mainstreaming in planning and decision-making processes,
- Vulnerability and climate risk assessments,
- Evidence on the effectiveness of EbA measures,
- Strategic communication of EbA benefits,
- Financing options and instruments to formulate, implement and sustain EbA measures,
- Monitoring and evaluation (M&E) for EbA

Outcomes on this joint work and co-creation have been documented and published in [Learning Briefs](#), workshop reports, [short movies](#), [webinars](#) and outcome papers.

Impressions from the EbA Community of Practice workshops, trainings and field visits



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Tools and formats for knowledge exchange and the promotion of best practices

- **PANORAMA – Solutions for a Healthy Planet** (www.panorama.solutions):

Learning from each other's success – this is the concept of the PANORAMA platform. The partnership initiative enables cross-sectoral learning and inspiration by documenting and promoting examples of replicable solutions across a range of conservation and development topics, enabling cross-sectoral inspiration. It allows practitioners to share their stories, get recognized for successful work, and learn how others have tackled problems across the globe. The [EbA Solutions theme](#) fosters sharing of field-proven knowledge and experience on Ecosystem-based Adaptation in different regions and ecosystems and shows that inspiring solutions can be found everywhere on this planet.



- **Annual workshops of the international EbA Community of Practice** provide opportunities for members to exchange knowledge within face-to-face dialogues. They cover a combination of facilitated discussions on emerging issues of common interest as well as practical experiences on applied EbA approaches, methods and tools and/or the functioning of the community itself. Workshops commonly include field trips to expose participants to challenges and successes of EbA project implementation. Workshops have been organized in Berlin, Bangkok and Cape Town.

- **EbA portal under Adaptation Community** (AdaptationCommunity.net):

GIZ's thematic platform on climate change adaptation provides information on approaches, methods and tools that facilitate the planning and implementation of adaptation action. It is based on the idea that enhancing knowledge and sharing experience is the key to successful adaptation strategies. The platform covers a variety of adaptation-related topics such as Ecosystem-based Adaptation, the NAP process, comprehensive climate risk management, monitoring and evaluation, and private sector adaptation. It offers publications such as guidebooks, fact sheets, policy briefs, information on trainings and webinar recordings.



- **Virtual discussion series & webinars:** Documented in the community's internal member space on Global Campus 21 ([contact us](#)) and on a [YouTube channel](#), established in 2016, these online formats provide regular information from practitioners, experts, planners and decision-makers on EbA related topics. Broadcasted webinars are announced under "[NEWS](#)".
- **EbA short movie:** A picture is worth a thousand words. When it gets to the dissemination of complex information, moving pictures come to the fore. The EbA [short film](#) provides an illustrative introduction into the concept of EbA, practical country examples and the role of the international Community of Practice.

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