

A Knowledge Café on Trends and opportunities for multidisciplinary and cross-sector research in Coastal and Marine Ecosystems

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WHY THIS KNOWLEDGE CAFÉ? The Knowledge café is being organized to provide a multi-disciplinary platform for discussing future research and networking possibilities in coastal and marine biodiversity conservation and ecosystem management.

KEY THEMES OF THE KNOWLEDGE CAFÉ:

- The event will provide the faculty members with insight into the current issues in coastal and marine biodiversity management that make interesting research topics
- The event will provide a snapshot of the research interests of the science and media faculty vis-a-vis coastal and marine ecosystems
- The event will create a platform for brainstorming on the ideas shared by the faculty members
- The event will facilitate networking among the faculty members and experts, for any future possibilities of working together on issues of common interest

WHO IS PARTICIPATING? The Knowledge Café will see a cross-sector participation of the science and media faculty members from Mumbai as well as coastal marine experts on coastal and marine ecosystem research from National and International organizations.

GIZ's approach to Human Capacity Development (HCD) puts the individual at the heart of our strategies and measures. Our HCD measures aim at facilitating changes in the actions of individuals and the results of the changed contributions of individuals within their system of reference. The project is therefore facilitating individuals and former participants to network in learning communities, with a view to promote knowledge sharing and facilitates change management.

SCHEDULE

TIME	SESSION
9.30 – 10.00 am	Registration Tea/ Coffee
10.00 -10.15am	Welcome & Introductions Dr. Agnelo Menezes, Principal, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Dr. Neeraj Khera, Senior Technical Expert, CMPA project, GIZ
10.15- 10.30am	Mapping the expertise available in the room
10.30 am -1.00pm (with a short tea-break)	Expert inputs: An overview of the issues in coastal and marine ecosystems and possible research themes <i>[Researchers and practitioners in coastal and marine biodiversity from National and International Organizations]</i>
1.00-2.00	Lunch
2.00-2.30	Gallery Walk: Faculty members share their research ideas
2.30- 4.00	Brainstorming session: Group-wise discussions on the research issues, potential partners and support opportunities
4.00- 5.00pm	High tea and networking session
5.00pm	End of Knowledge Café

ORGANIZERS

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH is an enterprise owned by the German Government. GIZ implements sustainable development through international cooperation, on behalf of Germany and other partners. To address India's need for sustainable and inclusive growth, in partnership with stakeholders, GIZ's key focal areas are Energy, Environment, Sustainable economic development.

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REGISTER NOW

No registration fee for all participants !!

Conditions for Registration: Faculty members from any discipline (Science, Humanities, Media) can apply. Faculty member must submit a research idea as the precondition for registration.

LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION: 5TH MARCH, 2016

Please register on the Xavier's Web site. For further details, contact: Dr. Priya Sundarajan, Director, Caius Research Laboratory, email:caiuslab@gmail.com

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