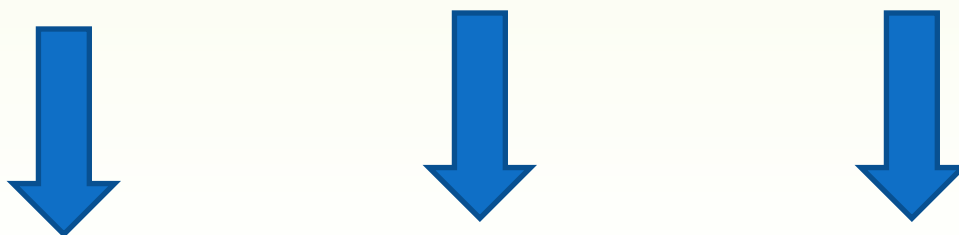




# **Workshop 1: Transboundary Pollution Reduction in River Basins and Coastal Areas**

**8 presentations on integrated management of river basins and coastal areas; 6 presentations on transboundary issues in river basins and coastal areas, focusing on pollution reduction**



**Best practices from East Asia, Europe and USA on multi-sectoral pollution reduction and partnerships**





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## Major WS outcomes and recommendations:

Through the analysis of best practices from the Northwest Pacific, East Asia, Europe and North America, workshop participants agreed that the following actions are deemed necessary for transboundary pollution reduction in river basins and coastal areas:

- Close cooperation of neighboring countries in economic policies, including coordinated use of natural resources, environment protection and ensuring sustainable development of river basins and coastal areas.
- Political leadership; legislation and enforcement; financial resources; political agreement (commitment); bringing together academics and decision makers.





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## Major WS outcomes and recommendations (continued):

- National laws and regulations aiming at coordinated economic, investment and social policies related to environmental protection and sustainable development (including tourism-related regulations; wastewater treatment; environmental monitoring and compliance).
- More active role of civil society in conservation of natural resources and wildlife.
- Establishment of international commissions to manage transboundary river basins and coastal areas (such as Mekong River Commission; Yellow Sea Commission; etc.).
- Establishment of joint monitoring systems (including water quality standards and criteria) for transboundary river basins and coastal areas.

