



# National and multinational LL-networks support sustainable lake management

## The LL-Germany-example

### LL-Germany – Characteristics:

- 12 active partners at lakes
- 3 associated partners at lakes
- German environmental and water-protection organizations
- Communities
- Sports associations
- Media-partner “natur”-magazine





## LL-Germany - Goals

- Protecting Biodiversity, Lakes and Wetlands
- Restore threatened wetlands and lake ecosystems
- Improving livelihoods of people living at lakes
- Commitment to sustainable development in agriculture, fishery, tourism, land use, use of energy and water
- Supporting the use of applied science and technologies to protect these ecosystems
- Foster education as a tool for sustainable development
- Spreading information and awareness raising for lake protection issues



## Issues in Germany

- High population density and growing settlements
- Over-fertilization from agriculture
- Watersports
- Fishery – i.e. stocking with alien fish species
- Missing connectivity of water bodies
- Mismanagement of watersheds and hydrology
- Lack of understanding about natural processes







## How we fill this with life – Exchange

- Meet twice a year
- Exchange skills
- Exchange knowledge & share ideas
- Gather information
- Enjoy the beauty of lakes



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## How we fill this with life – Impacts

- round table discussions
- Publications (flood management, manuring policies)
- „living lake of the year“-promotion
- „Back room” talks



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## How we fill this with life – Communication

- Partnership with „natur“ - magazine
- LL-Germany exposition
- Press releases on various issues
- Official openings
- Press talks and conferences



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## How we fill this with life – Joint projects

- Young journalists for the environment
- Nature experience for blind people
- Diving for conservation
- Germany`s wild lakes
- Micro-plastics in German lakes
- European Mink conservation project
- Lakes with all senses



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- Moderate discussion and exchange between stakeholders
- Inform public bodies and the general public
- Bring people together
- Influence conservation policy
- Spread innovative ideas

→ Foster excellence in lake management