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We're excited to share the latest issue (No. 73) of our newsletter, focusing on ILEC's activities and lake basin management: https://ilec.or.jp/cms/wp-content/uploads/Newsletter73_e.pdf

In this issue, we bring you highlights including efforts to enable high school students to participate in the 20th World Lake Conference (WLC20) held in Brisbane, Australia, as well as exchanges between high school students from Shiga Prefecture and youth from around the world through the "Next Generation Empowerment Program" commissioned by Shiga Prefecture. We also feature events related to the first-ever United Nations-recognized World Lake Day, an interview with members of the 15th Scientific Committee, and the latest information on WLC21.

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■ PESSVA Workshop Held in Malaysia!

Over the past three years, ILEC has been promoting the introduction of Participatory Ecosystem Services Shared Value Assessment (PESSVA) in Malaysia with support from the Japan Fund for Global Environment. Building on this effort, a new three-year initiative starting in FY2025 aims to disseminate an approach that integrates PESSVA, Integrated Lake Basin Management (ILBM), and Heartware (an approach to environmental conservation that emphasizes human empathy and translates it into action) across Asian countries.

As part of this initiative, a workshop was held in Kuala Lumpur on February 12, 2026, to discuss the contributions of PESSVA to environmental conservation.

More info and photos are now available on the ILEC website: <https://ilec.or.jp/en/activities/ilbm/18014>

■ Technical Cooperation Project for Improvement of Indonesian Lake Water Quality: Implemented

From January 19 to 24, 2026, ILEC, together with IDEA Consultants, Inc., implemented a project commissioned by the Ministry of the Environment, titled “Technical Cooperation for Lake Water Quality Improvement in Indonesia.” This fiscal year marks the fifth year of the project. We invited three participants from the Indonesian Ministry of Environment and conducted a training program for establishing a lake research center in Indonesia, etc.

More info and photos are now available on the ILEC website: <https://ilec.or.jp/en/activities/resource/17967>

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