

Final Agenda



Scientific, Technical Assessment and Reporting (STAR) Team Seminar

12:00PM – 1:00PM September 29th, 2014

Joe Macknis Memorial Conference Room (Fish Shack)
Chesapeake Bay Program Office
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12:00 PM	Welcome and Introduction William Dennison and Greg Allen will give an introduction of the STAR IAN Seminar Series and the speaker Nick Salafsky, Co-Director, Foundations of Success & Co-Chair, Conservation Measures Partnership.	William Dennison UMCES/STAR Chair & Greg Allen EPA/CBPO and Enhancing Partnering, Leadership, and Management GIT Coordinator
12:10 PM	Open Standards for the Practice of Conservation and Miradi Software: A Framework and Toolkit for "Real-World" Adaptive Management of Conservation Projects and Programs	Nick Salafsky Co-Director, Foundations of Success and Co-Chair, Conservation Measures Partnership
Description	"Adaptive management" is one of those buzzwords that sounds great in theory, but has proven to be exceedingly difficult to implement in practice. The Open Standards for the Practice of Conservation provide a common framework for designing, managing, monitoring, and learning from conservation projects and programs that has been developed and adopted by some of the world's leading conservation organizations and agencies. Miradi Software provides an integrated toolkit that helps practitioners both implement the <i>Open Standards</i> and systematically collect and share data about their work. In this presentation, I provide a brief introduction to this framework and toolkit and and illustrate how they are being used in the "real-world" to adaptively and collaboratively manage large complex conservation and natural resource programs such as those in the Chesapeake Bay and ultimately, to improve the practice of conservation.	
Biography	Nick Salafsky is Co-Director of Foundations of Success , a non-profit organization that seeks to improve the practice of conservation. Foundations of Success has worked for over a decade with conservation practitioners around the world to define clear and practical measures of conservation success, determine sound guiding principles for using conservation strategies, and develop the knowledge and skills of individuals and organizations to do good adaptive management. Nick is also product manager of the Miradi Adaptive Management Software program and Co-Chair of the Conservation Measures Partnership , a community of practice composed of many of the world's leading conservation organizations and agencies.	
1:00 PM	Adjourn	

SPECIAL THANKS: Seminar recordings and lunch arrangements provided by IAN UMCES.