



# Protecting the Planet



## DELIVERING THE PROMISE OF SYDNEY

November 2019

### INSPIRING PEOPLE



#### Remembering Norman Myers, biodiversity pioneer

Norman's most powerful contribution was the promotion of the theory of *biodiversity hotspots*. Before the 1990s, subjective judgements, opportunism and chance were often the drivers in choosing protected locations. Norman's paper of 1988, in which he first used the term "hotspots" in forest conservation, showed these choices could be made far more methodical.

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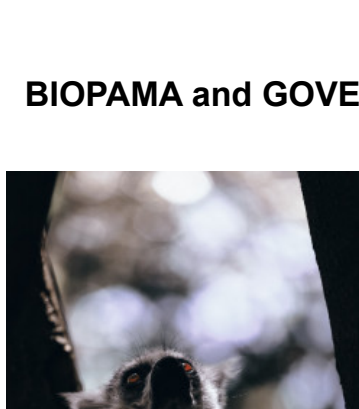
### PANORAMA



#### German Ministry for the Environment on-board with PANORAMA

PANORAMA, the initiative to promote and share "what works" in nature conservation and sustainable development, has received a major new funding commitment: Germany's Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU), will invest two million Euros to support the secretariat.

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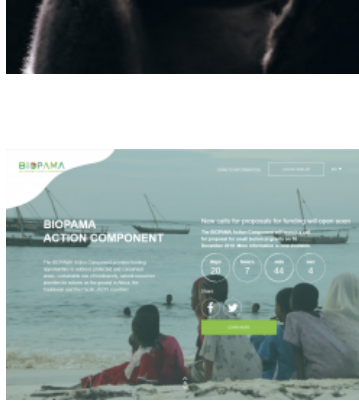


#### Find it all in one place by using the new "Resources" section in PANORAMA

The answer to the question of where to find all PANORAMA information bundled in one place? Quite simple: The new *Resources* section of our website.

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### WORLD HERITAGE

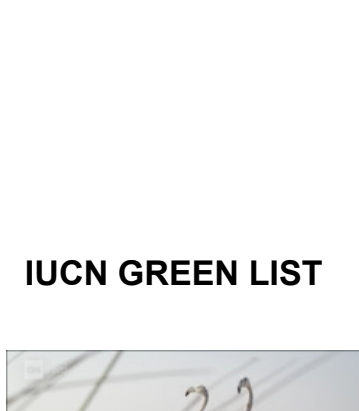


#### World Heritage and the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework

Experts convened by IUCN have issued a statement on how World Heritage contributes to the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework. It provides key messages on the relevance of the World Heritage Convention, with recommendations to help decision-makers integrate specific wording on World Heritage into the framework to be adopted by the Convention for Biological Diversity (CBD) next October.

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### BIOPAMA and GOVERNANCE



#### It's all connected. At a Madagascar meeting, BIOPAMA, Governance, and the Green List come together for the region's national parks

Influencers from 22 national parks in Madagascar, the Seychelles, Comoros, and Mauritius met to move forward their protected areas in the best ways possible. Participants were introduced to the IUCN Green List standards; discussed key standards, tools and approaches for management and governance; saw data collection and reporting systems; and foresaw potential opportunities and challenges, as well as possible pilot cases.

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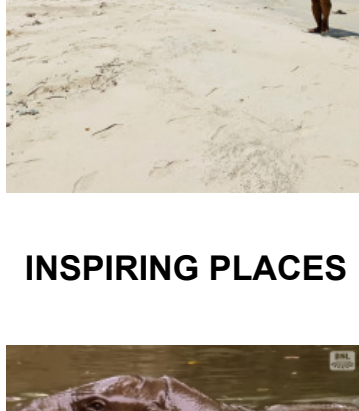


#### BIOPAMA small technical grants, now open

Small Technical Grants will exclusively fund supplies and equipment, works or services for a value of:

- Up to EUR 50 000 to address one single need
- Up to EUR 100 000 to address two combined needs such as equipment purchase **plus** organisation of a workshop.

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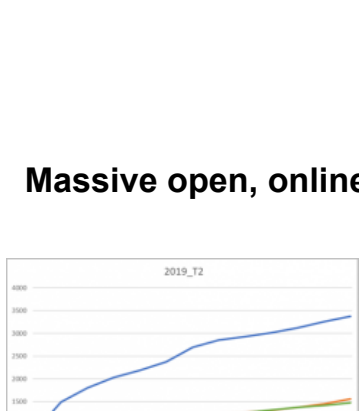
#### Every worker needs good tools. This is one of BIOPAMA's goals

Zambia: The BIOPAMA programme is providing tools for specific requests in data, information, protected area management effectiveness, governance and social assessments, etc.

Tailored for Eastern and Southern Africa, the recently concluded BIOPAMA workshop in Zambia presented and promoted a set of standards and tools to help measure and improve protected and conserved area sites and systems.

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### IUCN GREEN LIST



#### CNN video segment showcases Abu Dhabi Green List site (3:04)

Al Wathba Wetland Reserve is an unexpected desert oasis. Less than 40 kilometres from Abu Dhabi, this sanctuary for wildlife supports a myriad of plant, aquatic and bird life, including thousands of migratory flamingos.

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#### Nine new EAGL members hatch in Republic of Korea

Nine conservationists with expertise in protected area and biodiversity governance and management effectiveness became part of the newly formed EAGL (Expert Assessment Group for the Green List) for South Korea. South Korea was one of the nations involved in the pilot phase of the IUCN Green List, with three parks now Green List certified.

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#### The IUCN Green List gets down to earth and sea in Malaysia

The target? Committed protected and conserved areas.

On the edge of Tun Mustapha Marine Park - one of Malaysia's newest and largest marine protected areas and a Green List applicant site - WWF Malaysia, Sabah Parks and IUCN brought together representatives of Green List applicant sites to learn and share.

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### INSPIRING PLACES

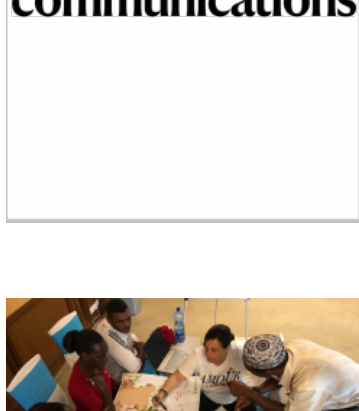


#### Sierra Leone's "Green Diamond", the flowering fruit of a public-private partnership

Gola Rainforest National Park, "The Gola", is showing how a private conservation group can join forces with a government department to improve protected area programmes. But this public-private partnership is now being expanded beyond its borders and into new areas that the original partners probably never anticipated.

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### INSPIRING SOLUTIONS



#### How to pay for Water Ecosystem Services at Kikuyu Escarpment Forest, Kenya.

This solution addressed the lack of a sustainable financing mechanism for the Kikuyu Escarpment Forest. The upstream communities struggle to protect forests and rivers with limited resources. This project increased private sector financing through partnerships with Community Forest Associations (CFAs) to restore water ecosystem Services.

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### Massive open, online courses (MOOCs) for conservation



#### 9000 students studying conservation online via MOOC. Growth in commitment continues

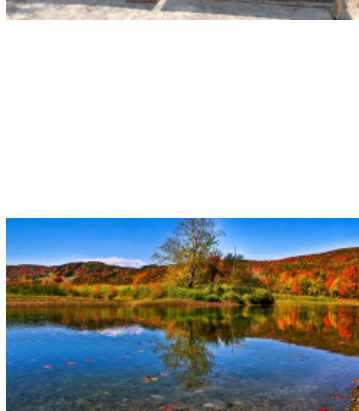
We close the current registration for massive, online, open courses (MOOCs) with 9312 inscriptions and good progression in each subject.

The total number of registered students from humble beginnings to our current intake is 37,032.

**#IUCNcongress:** Can we reach 50,000 trained conservationists by the World Conservation Congress 2020? It would mean a 50% increase on current enrolment but the growth curve (see figure at left) may make it possible!

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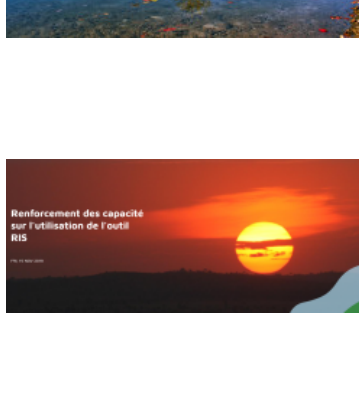
### IUCN WORLD CONSERVATION CONGRESS



#### The #IUCNcongress 2020 is a key element in a critical year for #nature and all humanity.

To drive the change the world needs we need your help in June next year, to ensure actions are strong, ambitious and scientifically sound. Save the date.

[Register here](#)



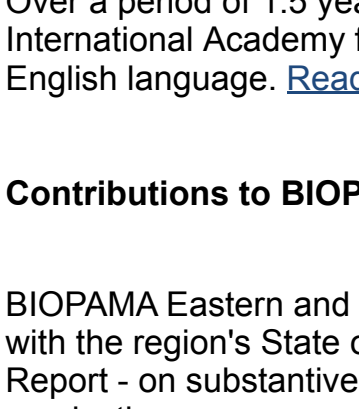
The Congress is where the world comes together to set priorities and drive conservation and sustainable development action.

IUCN's 1300+ government, civil society and indigenous peoples' Member organisations vote on major issues, action which guides humanity's relationship with our planet for the decades ahead.

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### HOT OFF THE PRESS



#### Revised IUCN guidelines demystify and clarify protected area categories for marine areas

The IUCN guidelines that define a protected area are the foundation for the standards by which protected areas truly become protected. Our new publication explains this subject as it applies to marine areas, seemingly misunderstood in the past. The PDF document is free to [download here](#)

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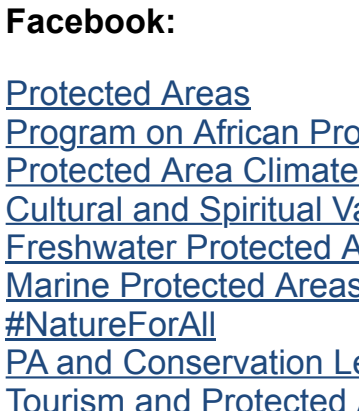


#### IUCN publishes new guidance on "recognising, reporting and supporting" other effective area-based conservation measures"

**Recognition of OECMs** offers opportunity to recognise de facto effective long-term conservation that is taking place outside currently designated protected areas.

OECMs can contribute to ecologically representative and well-connected conservation systems, integrated within wider landscapes and seascapes.

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#### Not Jurassic Park, just practical application: synthetic biology and ex-situ conservation

NAPA n° 136.

Ex-situ conservation is the maintenance of organisms outside their natural environment in zoos, aquaria, botanical gardens, even in cryo-state. Synthetic biology refers to technologies that allow humans to make precise alterations to the genes of organisms

NAPA 136 asks, "Should we consider their potential for our protected areas?" - a topic also covered in our Species Conservation MOOC.

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#### Economic value of protected areas via mental health of visitors estimated at US \$6 trillion pa.

We evaluate methods to calculate the economic value of protected areas derived from the improved mental health of visitors. A conservative global estimate is US\$6 trillion p.a.

This is an order of magnitude greater than the global value of protected area tourism, and two to three orders greater than global aggregate protected area management agency budgets.

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#### Assessment of management effectiveness and governance in Eastern and Southern Africa (BIOPAMA)

This report aims to provide the Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management (BIOPAMA) Programme and its partners with information about where, when, and with what methodologies such assessments have been conducted in Eastern and Southern Africa; what lessons are being learned, and how these methodologies can best be used.

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#### Meanings and more... (ICCA Consortium Policy Brief no.7)

A reference of the meaningful concepts and terms frequently used in relation to ICCA work, policies and relations with its members and partners. This end result is this lexicon which collates terms and acronyms with their working definitions.

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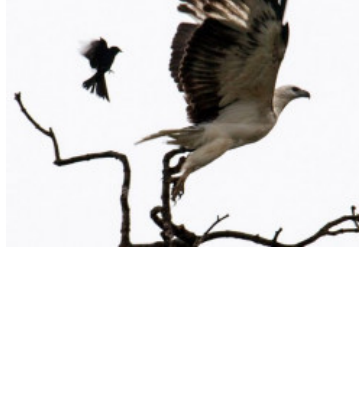
#### Parks Journal, Issue 25.2

- What has been learnt from eighteen years of applying the Management Effectiveness Tool?
- Editorial on the Global Partnership on Aichi target 11.
- New protected area (PA) concepts and developments.
- The why, what, and how of applying the Green List standards to PAs.
- Denmark, Kenya, and other locations are highlighted.

There is far more included in the issue, this is just the overview.

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### EVENTS & GET INVOLVED

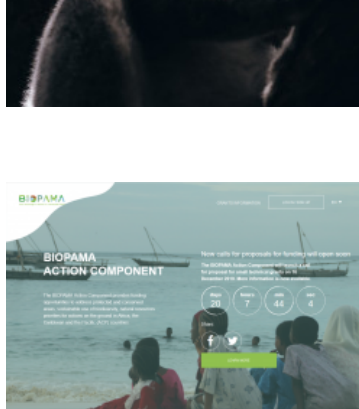


#### Seeking Assurance Provider for the IUCN Green List sustainability standard. Please apply

IUCN is now seeking to secure our Assurance Provider for the Green List through the next quadrennial period, 2020 to 2024. The Provider would help maintain and deliver a credible and transparent evaluation process and governance framework for the IUCN Green List.

If you are interested to bid for this role, please read more.

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#### Québec begins to walk the Green List path - get involved!

Apply to be an EAGL member. Help adapt the global standard and evaluate the pioneering protected and conserved area candidates!

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#### Le Québec entame un parcours dans la Liste Verte - participez!

Postulez pour devenir membre de l'EAGL et aidez-nous à adapter la standard mondiale et à évaluer les candidats pionniers potentiels dans les parcs!

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#### Webinaire 2: Utilisation et insertion des contenus sur le RIS (Système d'information de référence) - BIOPAMA

Participez au deuxième webinaire sur les outils et services de collecte, consolidation, analyse et diffusion de l'information pour la décision sur les aires protégées et la biodiversité.

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### The Klaus Toepfer Fellowship Programme

Application for participation in the 2020 - 2021 cycle of the Klaus Toepfer Fellowship Programme for Future Leaders in Nature Conservation from the Countries of Central and Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia is open until 10 October 2019. The programme is extra-occupational and combines learning on international best conservation practice and policy with management training, network development and a transfer project. Over a period of 1.5 years, four training modules are conducted at the International Academy for Nature Conservation on the Isle of Vilm in English language. [Read more](#)

### Contributions to BIOPAMA's activities

BIOPAMA Eastern and Southern Africa is seeking consultants to support with the region's State of Protected and Conserved Areas (SoPACA) Report - on substantive editing and design of the publication- and with conducting an assessment of the regional financing and resourcing for protected areas. [Read more about the consultancies here.](#)

### DONATE



#### Help us keep nature alive

Since its establishment in 1948, IUCN has become the global authority on the status of the natural world and the measures needed to safeguard it. IUCN's new legacy gift options will help ensure IUCN keeps playing this essential role for years to come.

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