

# 2013 Annual Report



**CRITICAL ECOSYSTEM**  
PARTNERSHIP FUND

PROTECTING NATURE'S HOTSPOTS FOR PEOPLE AND PROSPERITY





# About CEPF

The Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) empowers people to be good stewards of the planet, so they and future generations continue to benefit from its life-sustaining resources like clean air, fresh water, a stable climate and healthy soils. The partners believe that civil society is uniquely positioned to protect some of Earth's most biologically rich yet threatened ecosystems.

CEPF provides grants to nongovernmental and private sector organizations so they can conserve these critical ecosystems, located in biodiversity hotspots. The investments are even more meaningful because these regions are home to millions of people who are impoverished and highly dependent on natural resources.

Enabling civil society groups to have stronger voices and exert greater influence in the world around them is the hallmark of our approach. Our grantee partners range from small farming cooperatives and community associations to private sector partners and national and international nongovernmental organizations (NGOs).

## Our Grants

Target biodiversity hotspots in developing and transitional countries.

Are guided by regional investment strategies — ecosystem profiles — developed with stakeholders.

Go directly to civil society groups to build this vital constituency for conservation alongside governmental partners.

Create working alliances among diverse groups, combining unique capacities and eliminating duplication of efforts.

Achieve results through an ever-expanding network of partners working together toward shared goals.







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# Message from the Executive Director



CEPF's annual report is much more than a collection of financial data sheets and activity reports from the year. It's a tribute to the impressive work of our grantees, the people striving day by day to ensure a future for the natural wonders of our world, and for us all.

In this year's publication, we present a progress report that demonstrates, via the global data produced as a result of the CEPF monitoring framework, the collective impact

of CEPF's grantees, while also showcasing the results they are attaining in specific biodiversity hotspots where CEPF works—the corners of the terrestrial world where biological diversity is extremely high and under severe threat. Then, in our Highlights section, we spotlight projects that exemplify the initiative and ingenuity of civil society organizations as they implement CEPF's conservation strategies in a variety of ecosystems and social contexts.

These projects range from building organizational capacity in Sierra Leone to establishing the first private protected area in the Dominican Republic to uniting communities and the government in India to restore unique swamps.

Like most, if not all, CEPF-funded projects, those featured in this report are making contributions to the "Aichi targets"—the 20 goals set by the countries who are parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity to guide global efforts to save biodiversity and improve human well-being through 2020.

Although progress toward those targets is limited, civil society organizations in the biodiversity hotspots are, with CEPF's support, taking important initial steps and helping governments achieve their commitments. Their progress shows the key role that civil society has to play in the effort to safeguard the world's most vital ecosystems.

It may sometimes seem that the task of turning back environmental degradation is an overwhelming one, but our grantees—including NGOs of all sizes, community groups, farming cooperatives and private enterprises—show that by engaging people who live and work in the most vibrant ecosystems, we can build a powerful set of local, regional and national conservation leaders who together can bring the needed skills and long-term commitment to the front lines of this campaign. Our grantees bring us hope and excitement for a future filled with the life-sustaining benefits and beauty of the natural world, and for this we are profoundly grateful, and proud.

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**Patricia Zurita**  
Executive Director, CEPF







# Message from the Chairperson



As someone with many years of experience in the field of global development, I feel strongly that we can and must do more, now, to improve the lives of the world's poorest citizens. I also believe that a fundamental element of a successful poverty eradication strategy is securing the natural resources that the poor especially rely on—for food, water, fuel and income.

In 2008, when I was at the helm of the French Development Agency (l'Agence Française de Développement—AFD), these beliefs led me to support the addition of AFD to the ranks of CEPF's global donors. I recognized then, as I do now, that CEPF offers a critical linkage between the world's major conservation donors and nongovernmental organizations and communities in the world's biodiversity hotspots—places where environmental riches and human poverty intersect, putting intense pressure on the very resources that are critical to long-term human survival.

CEPF's core strategy of enabling civil society organizations in the hotspots to take the lead in securing the future of resources and communities has proved to be immensely effective in generating positive change. Over more than a dozen years, CEPF has parlayed a relatively small amount of funding into impressive results on the ground: 12.7 million hectares of protected areas, improved management of more than 35 million hectares of key biodiversity areas and productive landscapes, an average 12.8 percent improvement in civil society capacity in the hotspots where CEPF has invested, and improved livelihoods for more than 580 communities. And all of these achievements have targeted the world's most critical terrestrial ecosystems.

There is growing acknowledgement in the global community of the importance of such areas, both to the communities in and around them, and to global well-being. The United Nations is in the midst of setting Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that will replace the Millennium Development Goals that have guided many nations' poverty alleviation efforts over the past 13 years. The emphasis on sustainability reflects the evolution in thinking about the relationship between development and environment. Meanwhile, the more than 190 countries that are parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) have agreed to pursue 20 specific targets designed to save global biodiversity and enhance its benefits to people. And both the discussions on the SDGs and the CBD Aichi targets acknowledge the importance of healthy ecosystems in making communities resilient in the face of climate change.

CEPF's experience shows that civil society, working in partnership with governments and the private sector as well as communities, is uniquely effective in building truly sustainable models for development that integrate strategic conservation. The burgeoning global interest and effort being put into development that truly can offer lasting benefits to communities makes this an opportune moment to build on the CEPF model. We are ready to take what we've learned to a scale at which we can, in concert with our partners, turn back global biodiversity loss and forge a healthier future for us all.

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**Jean-Michel Severino**  
Chairperson, CEPF













# The Partnership

## L'Agence Française de Développement,

the French Development Agency, is a financial institution that is at the heart of France's Development Assistance Policy. It supports a wide range of economic, social and environmental projects in more than 60 countries.

[www.afd.fr](http://www.afd.fr)

## Conservation International

works with forward-thinking partners around the world to safeguard the wealth of nature for people. Our approach is simple, yet transformative: We identify and protect spectacular but vulnerable places on land and in the oceans; we work with the private sector to promote sustainable business practices; and we engage with governments to ensure they have the knowledge and tools to make decisions that will benefit humanity now and for generations to come.

[www.conservation.org](http://www.conservation.org)

## The European Union,

comprising 28 member states, is the largest single provider of development aid in the world. The EU development policy recognizes biodiversity as a crucial element for human well-being through the production of food, fish, fuel, fiber and medicines; the regulation of water, air and climate; and maintenance of land fertility. Through EuropeAid, the EU invests in biodiversity and development projects in more than 100 countries.

<http://europa.eu>

## The Global Environment Facility

is the world's largest public funder of projects to improve the global environment. The GEF unites 182 member governments together with leading international development institutions, civil society organizations and the private sector in support of a common global environmental agenda.

[www.thegef.org](http://www.thegef.org)

## The Government of Japan

is one of the largest providers of development assistance for the environment. Japan seeks constructive measures and concrete programs to preserve unique ecosystems that provide people with important benefits and help reduce poverty.

[www.env.go.jp/en](http://www.env.go.jp/en)

## The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

supports creative people and effective institutions committed to building a more just, verdant and peaceful world. In addition to selecting the MacArthur Fellows, the foundation works to defend human rights, advance global conservation and security, make cities better places, and understand how technology is affecting children and society.

[www.macfound.org](http://www.macfound.org)

## The World Bank

is the world's largest source of development assistance. It works in more than 100 developing economies to fight poverty and to help people help themselves and their environment.

[www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org)

# Message from the Partners

During fiscal year 2013, after more than 12 years of CEPF, the CEPF Secretariat and the Donor Council began reflecting on what has been achieved and learned from the CEPF experience in an effort to determine the best way forward. We feel a strong sense of pride regarding the successes of so many CEPF grantees, of all sizes, striving to protect the world's biodiversity hotspots. With a relatively small amount of funding, amounting to \$161 million distributed to nearly 1,800 grantees, these groups have taken the lead in conservation and sustainable development in their own "backyards"—the hotspots that, because of services such as provision of fresh water and food and climate change adaptation, are vital, not only to their own interests and the multitude of organisms living there, but to people everywhere.

Our grantees' results—some of which are highlighted in the pages that follow—are inspiring. In fact, the strides they have made lead the CEPF partnership to believe that this model, which delivers funding from major global donors into the hands of civil society groups in the hotspots, is one of the most effective weapons against the loss of critical biodiversity and ecosystems. As such, the partnership feels the time is now to begin scaling up CEPF. The biodiversity crisis is a massive global problem, and the stakes are such that proven models for halting the loss must be built up quickly to truly meet the challenge.

CEPF is working now on piloting new long-term visions for strategic conservation in multiple hotspots that will ensure effective and sufficiently resourced civil societies that stand and lead on their own when CEPF completes its investment. These civil societies are the future of the hotspots, and in many ways, the future of humanity. Join us in supporting them.

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**Jean-Michel Severino**

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CEPF 2013  
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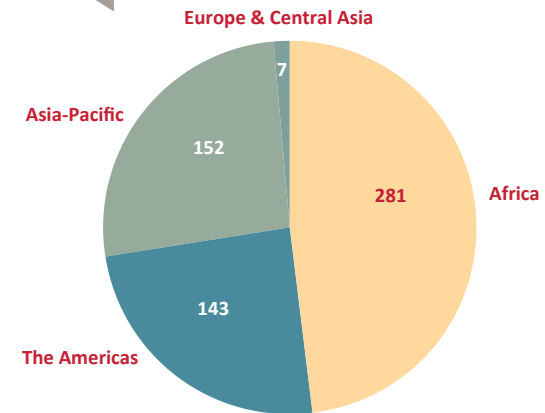
# Global Impact

Since its inception in 2000, CEPF has strived to safeguard the world's most critical ecosystems and biodiversity by supporting civil society to implement stakeholder-informed conservation strategies in biodiversity hotspots.

The following data demonstrate the impact CEPF and its grantees have had on a global scale via the four pillars of CEPF: biodiversity, human well-being, civil society capacity and enabling conditions—that is, factors that make long-term conservation possible.

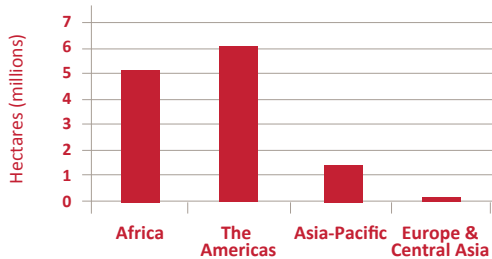
## Human Well-Being

**Number of Communities Directly Benefiting. Total: 583**

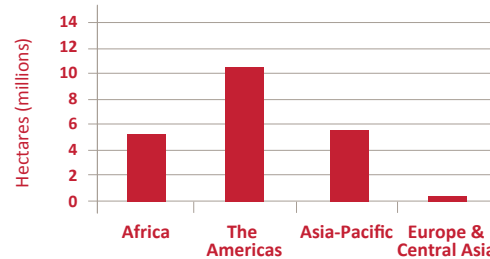


## Biodiversity

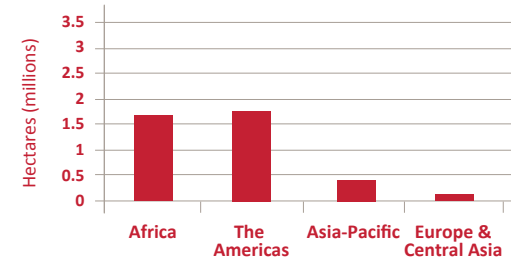
**Protected Areas Created or Expanded. Total: 12.7 million hectares**  
From inception of CEPF through fiscal year 2013



**Key Biodiversity Areas with Strengthened Management. Total: 31.3 million hectares**  
From inception of CEPF through fiscal year 2013



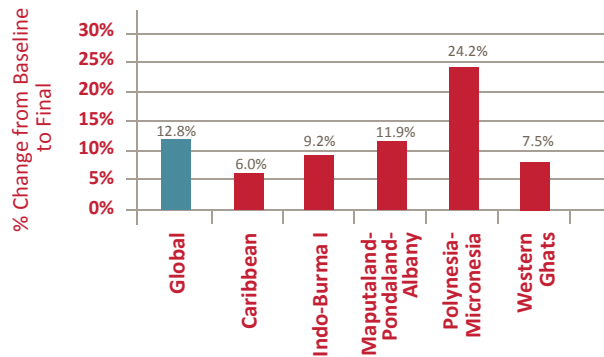
**Production Landscape with Strengthened Management. Total: 3.8 million hectares**  
From 2007 through fiscal year 2013



CEPF began gathering production landscape results data during fund's second phase, starting in 2007.

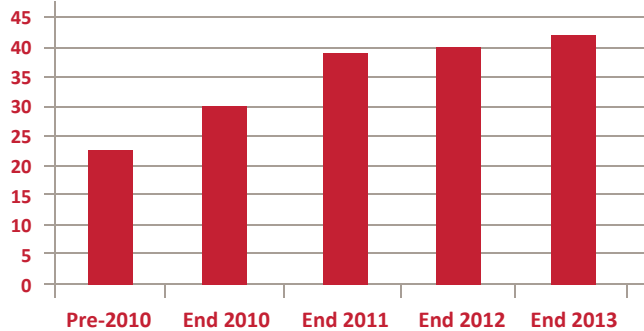
# Civil Society Capacity

**Average % Change from Baseline to Final in Civil Society Capacity.**



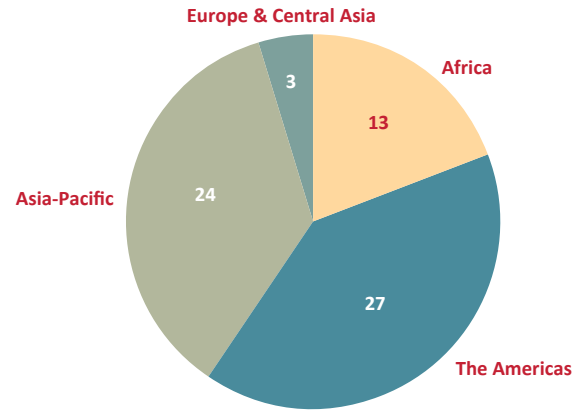
Biodiversity Hotspot

**Number of Partnerships CEPF Has Helped Create. Total: 42**

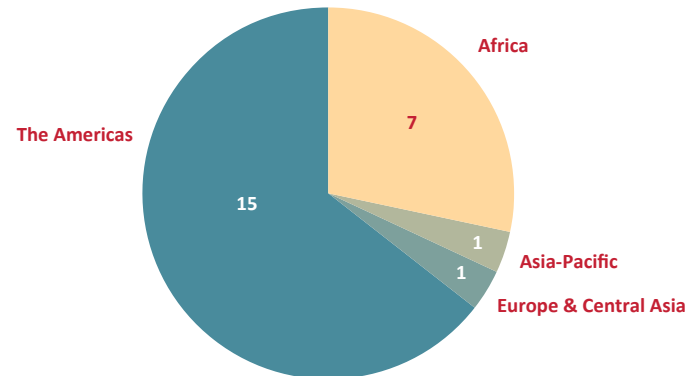


# Enabling Conditions

**Number of Policies, Plans or Laws CEPF Has Influenced. Total: 67**



**Sustainable Financing Mechanisms Benefiting from CEPF Support. Total: 24**



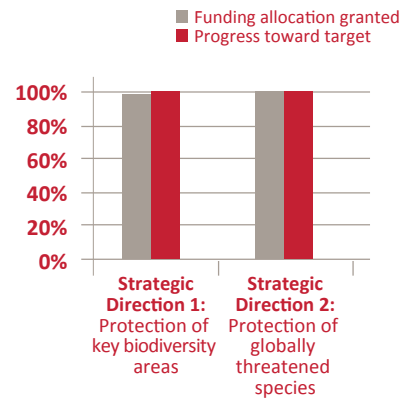


# Regional Results

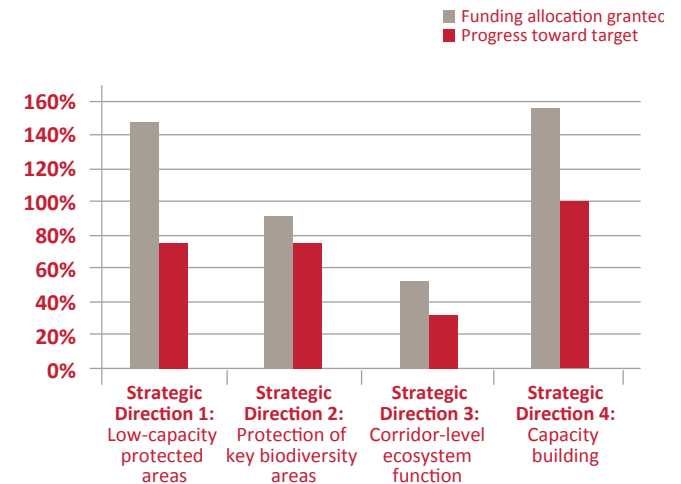
CEPF grantees in biodiversity hotspots around the world are contributing every day to the conservation of rare and endangered biodiversity and ecosystems that are crucial to human well-being. Their actions are guided by CEPF's investment strategy for each hotspot, which lists several "strategic directions" that focus the investment on the top conservation priorities in the region.

The following charts show progress made in achieving those strategic directions in regions where CEPF invested in fiscal year 2013.

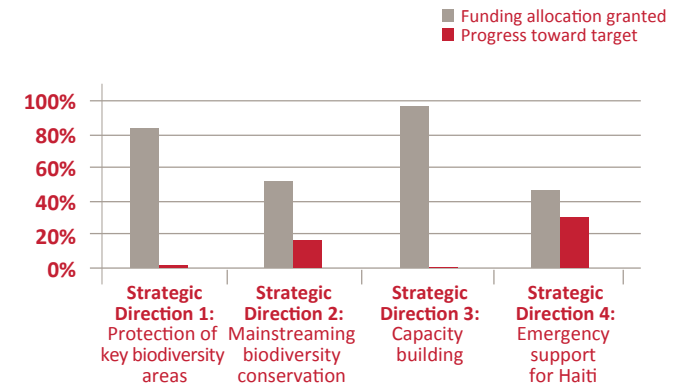
## Western Ghats 2008–2013



## Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany 2010–2015

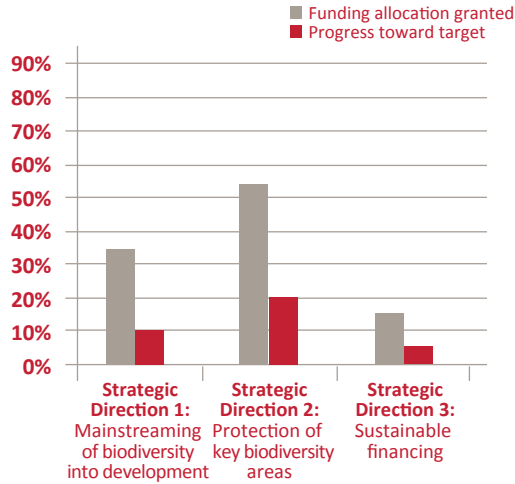


## Caribbean Islands 2010–2015



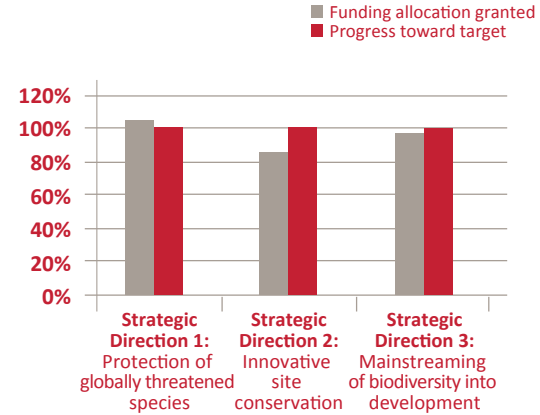
# Eastern Afromontane

2012–2017



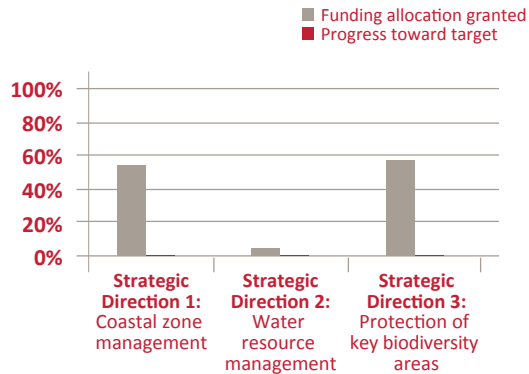
# Indo-Burma I

2008–2013



# Mediterranean Basin

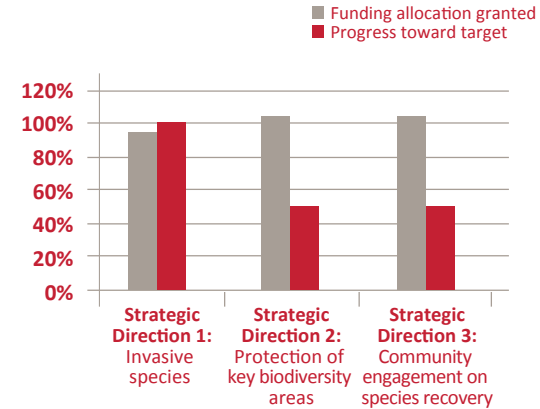
2011–2016



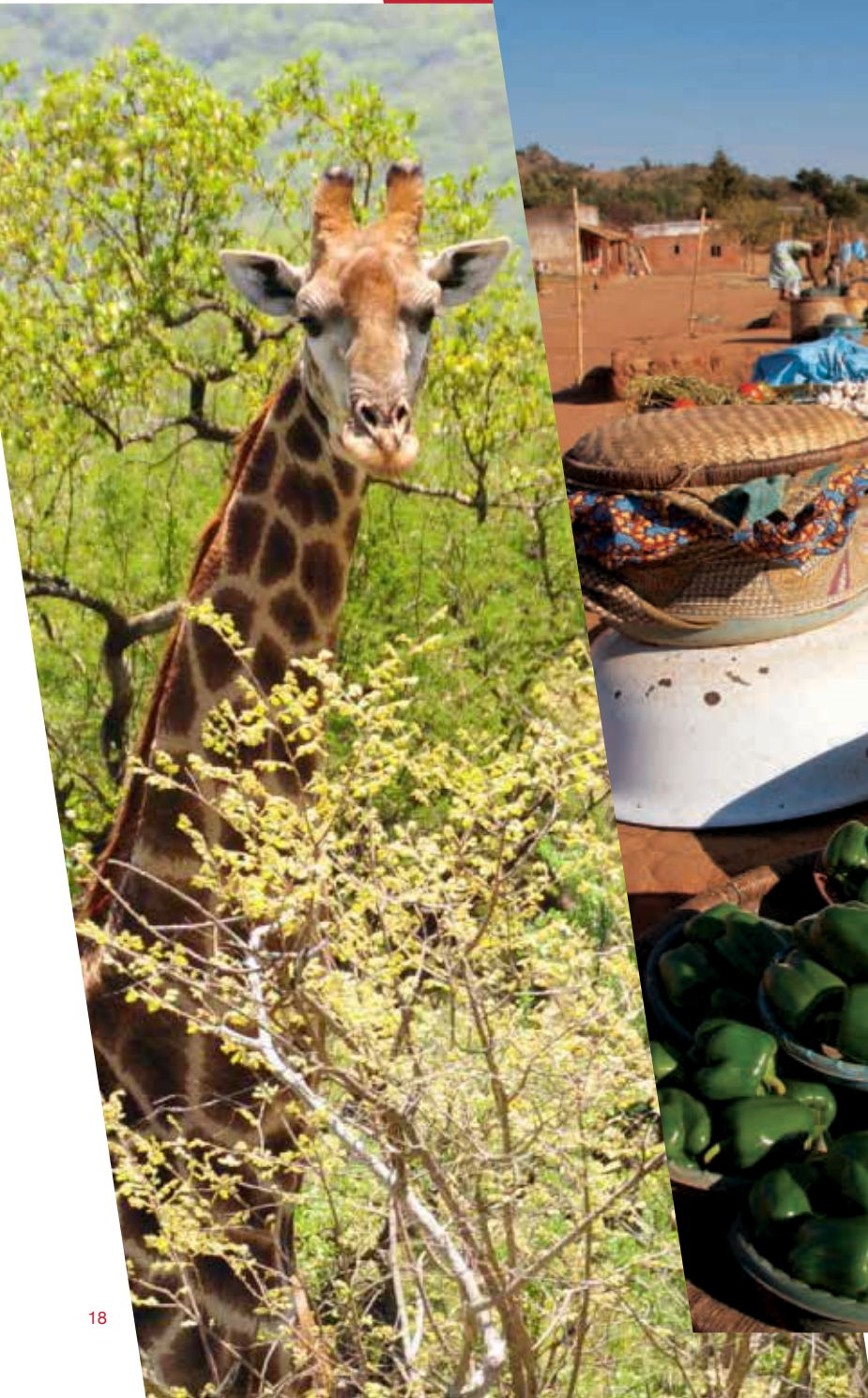
Implementation began in fiscal year 2013.

# Polynesia-Micronesia

2008–2013



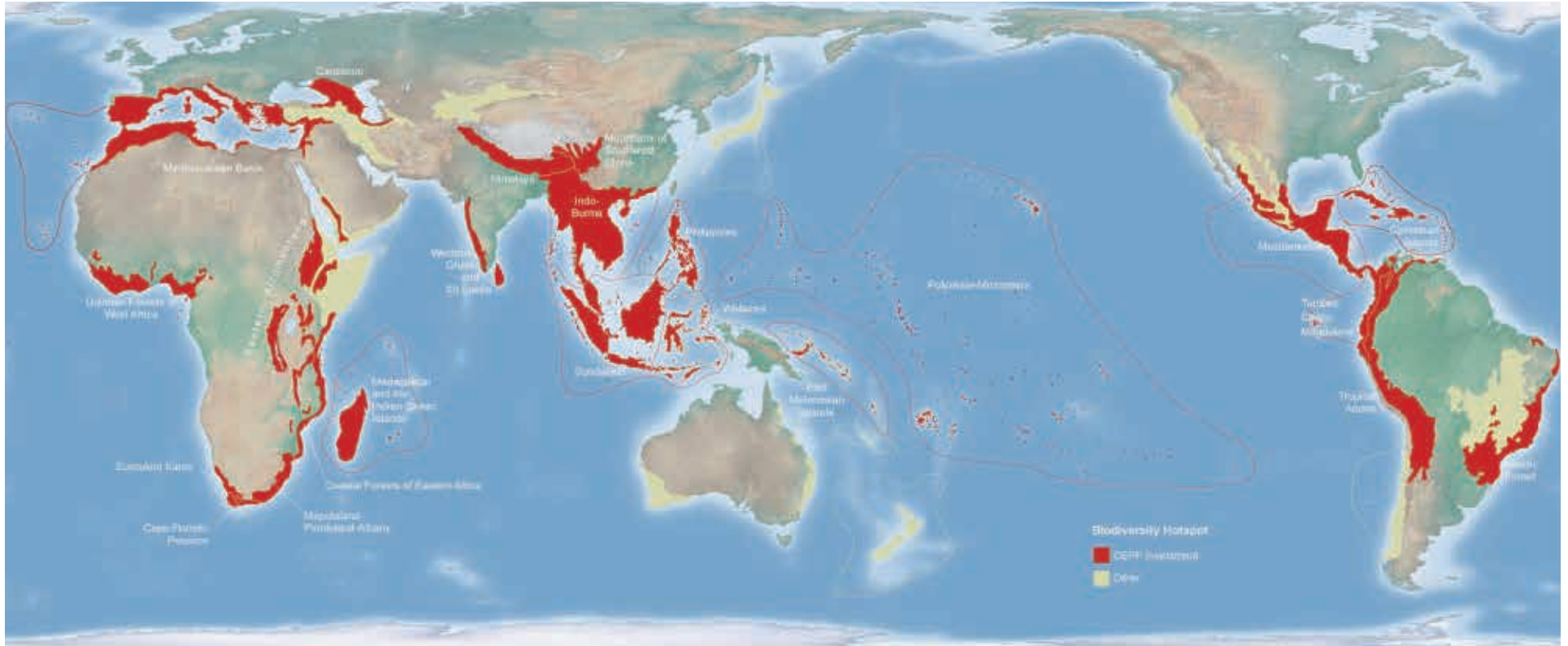






# Biodiversity Hotspots Where CEPF Has Invested

(inception through fiscal year 2013)



Earth's 35 biodiversity hotspots hold especially high numbers of unique species and provide services that are vital to human well-being, such as clean air and water, flood and climate control and soil regeneration, as well as food, medicines and raw materials. The hotspots face extreme threats. Each hotspot has lost at least 70 percent of its original natural vegetation, and the remaining areas of natural habitat within the hotspots cover only 2.3 percent of the planet's land surface.

Through fiscal year 2013, CEPF had awarded grants to civil society partners in 22 hotspots in support of its stakeholder-informed strategies for protecting critical ecosystems in these regions. During the 2013 fiscal year, CEPF staff and regional partners also convened for initial work on an ecosystem profile for a new region of investment, the Wallacea Hotspot—made up of Timor-Leste and Sulawesi, Maluku and Nusa Tenggara within Indonesia.

Note: The Eastern Arc Mountains and Coastal Forests of Tanzania and Kenya Hotspot was divided in 2005; a portion of it is now part of the Eastern Afromontane Hotspot, and the remainder is part of the Coastal Forests of Eastern Africa Hotspot. Before the separation, CEPF had initiated an investment in the original Eastern Arc Hotspot, and through that investment awarded grants in portions of the hotspots that are now known as the Eastern Afromontane and the Coastal Forests of Eastern Africa.

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| 1. ATLANTIC FOREST                      | 12. MAPUTLAND-PONDOLAND-ALBANY   |
| 2. CAPE FLORISTIC REGION                | 13. MEDITERRANEAN BASIN          |
| 3. CARIBBEAN ISLANDS                    | 14. MESOAMERICA                  |
| 4. CAUCASUS                             | 15. MOUNTAINS OF SOUTHWEST CHINA |
| 5. COASTAL FORESTS OF EASTERN AFRICA    | 16. PHILIPPINES                  |
| 6. EAST MELANESIAN ISLANDS              | 17. POLYNESIA-MICRONESIA         |
| 7. EASTERN AFROMONTANE                  | 18. SUCCULENT KAROO              |
| 8. GUINEAN FORESTS OF WEST AFRICA       | 19. SUNDALAND                    |
| 9. HIMALAYA                             | 20. TROPICAL ANDES               |
| 10. INDO-BURMA                          | 21. TUMBES-CHOCÓ-MAGDALENA       |
| 11. MADAGASCAR AND INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS | 22. WESTERN GHATS AND SRI LANKA  |
|                                         | 23. WALLACEA                     |



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# 2013 Highlights







# Leveraging Small Grants for Big Impact

In 2002, Sierra Leone was known more for its “blood diamonds” than its biodiversity. Yet, even as this West African nation emerged from years of bitter civil war, the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) moved to preserve another of its natural resources, biodiversity, by supporting a group of organizations at work there.

One of them is the Environmental Foundation for Africa (EFA). In 2001, EFA was “running on a very shoestring budget,” with fewer than 10 paid staff members and a motley crew of volunteers when CEPF awarded a five-year, \$295,487 grant, said EFA’s founding director Tommy Garnett, who had fled to Liberia during the war. CEPF’s investment in EFA—which added up to \$850,000 in six grants over a decade—was aimed at restoring the once-teeming forests of Tiwai Island on the Moa River in southeastern Sierra Leone, creating a national culture of conservation, and strengthening EFA as a regional conservation leader.

At the outset, the island’s rundown conservation center bore witness to a decade of neglect, and the woods around it stood eerily silent. “When we walked around the island, it was almost an empty forest,” said Garnett, with no sign of the striking red colobus and Diana monkeys, two of nine species of primates on what he dubs “the island of the apes.” With the help of CEPF, the conservation center reopened in 2006. Meanwhile, EFA grew into a much more sophisticated operation—with more staff, more programs, more donors, and more impact on Tiwai Island and throughout the Guinean Forests of West Africa biodiversity hotspot.

## A winning strategy

The EFA story represents more than one successful civil society organization (CSO). It also spotlights the strategy that sets CEPF apart from other global funders: harnessing the power of civil society to protect biodiversity. The tools that make this strategy work are small grants that match the existing capacity of CSOs on the ground.

CEPF believes CSOs play a key role in the “ecology” of conservation. They work on the ground, where governments might not have the resources to focus. CSOs bring better conservation practices to local communities and can share that experience with government agencies. What’s more, CSOs have the capacity, flexibility and willingness to take risks that can lead to innovation, often by involving nontraditional players, including those in the private sector.

Perhaps most important, CSOs can drive changes in social attitudes and behaviors toward natural resources while identifying opportunities to promote sustainable livelihoods. This results in conservation of unique biodiversity that benefits people. That’s why CEPF believes saving biodiversity around the globe requires strengthening the local groups that can make it happen, one hotspot at a time. Besides awarding grants to CSOs, CEPF mentors them on how to win legitimacy; influence national conservation; and build local, regional and national networks to collectively address conservation challenges. This strategy of technical assistance and manageable grants for underfunded CSOs can reap enormous results, as seen in the rainforests of Sierra Leone.



## Contributing to Convention on Biological Diversity Aichi Target 14

By 2020, ecosystems that provide essential services, including services related to water, and contribute to health, livelihoods and well-being, are restored and safeguarded, taking into account the needs of women, indigenous and local communities, and the poor and vulnerable.

## A vision realized

In the case of EFA, a relatively modest investment of \$85,000 per year has paid big dividends for biodiversity.

Today on Tiwai, monkeys bound among the treetops and a sharp-eyed visitor might spot the elusive local pygmy hippopotamus, endemic to West Africa. “We still have the occasional hunter arrested, but the species have bounced back,” said Garnett of the island’s wildlife. It is a crucial piece in the puzzle of primate protection. Five of the hotspot’s primate species are Critically Endangered, 21 are Endangered, and 92 percent are endemic.

Protecting Tiwai’s species takes a village. In recent years, consolidation grants from CEPF have helped EFA scale up to a staff of 21, win some \$150,000 in in-kind services, and help mainland residents benefit from conservation activities on Tiwai Island. The preserve now offers a tent camp for visitors, guided river tours by canoe or motorboat, and more than 50 kilometers of forest trails.

Area residents not only guide visitors, but also receive training from EFA in such sustainable enterprises as weaving, tie-dyeing, bamboo crafts and furniture making. Meanwhile, memorandums of understanding signed with local communities have cut the risk of monkey hunting and other threats to species on Tiwai, which has won a listing as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

In 2014, EFA is set to open a Biodiversity and Renewable Energy Learning Centre in a forest preserve near Sierra Leone’s capital. As what Garnett calls “the face of Tiwai in the city,” the new center will be, he hopes, “a place where people fall in love with nature” and then work to protect it across the country.

Looking back on EFA’s growth, Garnett reflects that it might have been easier for CEPF to take a chance on a larger organization, but the support made all the difference. “For us, it was an opportunity to demonstrate that African organizations have the capacity to deliver, given the right kind of partnership arrangements,” Garnett said.

Once a small player on the conservation scene, EFA is poised to make a big impact in West Africa, thanks to CEPF and what is now a host of other funders. Nationally, EFA founded and chairs the Environmental Forum for Action, a network of 14 “green actors” across Sierra Leone that was launched a decade ago with a small grant from CEPF.

And on a broader scale, the EFA story shows the cumulative power of small grants in the right places to secure the future of biodiversity. Like micro-loans for low-income entrepreneurs, CEPF’s strategic use of modest grants to CSOs that can make a huge impact in their home countries is literally changing the landscape.





# Supporting New Models for Protected Areas

Only the Amazon can rival the Mekong River in richness of animal species—including such charismatic creatures as the white-shouldered ibis (*Pseudibis davisoni*), the Mekong giant catfish (*Pangasianodon gigas*) and the Irrawaddy dolphin (*Orcaella brevirostris*), all globally threatened.

That's why in April 2013 the Cambodian government set aside a 56 kilometer stretch of the Mekong as a management and conservation site for biodiversity and fishery resources—the second Mekong section formally protected by Cambodia and only the third protected by any government. The move came in the wake of CEPF support for the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) and two local CSOs, the Cambodian Rural Development Team and Community Economic Development.

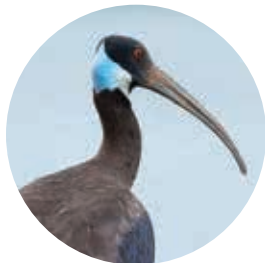
The Cambodian model hints at the variety of protected areas needed for effective conservation in diverse settings. CEPF champions an array of natural protected areas, from vast desert national parks to comparatively tiny community-managed forests.

## Innovative private reserve under way in Caribbean Islands Hotspot

In the Dominican Republic, with help from CEPF, a 400 hectare forest is poised to become the country's first private nature reserve under a 2011 law permitting the creation of such reserves and compensation for landowners. Reserva Privada Zorzal would help build a conservation corridor between the reserves of Loma Guaconejo and Loma Quita Espuela. Reserva Privada Zorzal would also symbolically bridge North and South. It sits on the wintering grounds of Bicknell's thrush (*Catharus bicknelli*), a rare songbird that summers and breeds in mountains of northeastern North America, including New York State.

The reserve has won the backing of a dozen partners, from Dominican ice cream company Helados Bon and environmental alliance Consorcio Ambiental Dominicano to the New York-based Eddy Foundation and the Vermont Center for Ecostudies. Additionally, the reserve has sold the first carbon offsets from the island of Hispaniola as part of a plan for long-term funding for the reserve.

“By being the first established Private Reserve in the Dominican Republic, Reserva Zorzal is developing an innovative framework for private landowners to engage in biodiversity conservation,” said the Vermont Center's Charles Kerchner.



**A 2010 study<sup>1</sup> found that from 2000 to 2010, CEPF's investment of \$124 million benefited one-quarter of the world's Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs), which are area sites of global significance for biodiversity conservation, covering an area equivalent to the size of Alaska. While that investment represented only 0.5 percent of total biodiversity-related aid to developing countries during the decade, it was a vital contribution to conservation of the world's biodiversity hotspots by helping to establish 6 percent of all terrestrial area put under protection from 2000 to 2010.**

<sup>1</sup> Crosse, W. 2010. 10 years of CEPF investment to support the Convention on Biological Diversity 2010 target. Report, Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund, Conservation International, Arlington, VA. 16pp.



## Contributing to Convention on Biological Diversity Aichi Target 11

By 2020, at least 17 percent of terrestrial and inland water, and 10 percent of coastal and marine areas, especially important areas for biodiversity and ecosystem services, are conserved through effectively and equitably managed, ecologically representative and well-connected systems of protected areas, and are integrated into the wider landscapes and seascapes.

## Tradition underlies land management in Mediterranean Basin

Another key to protecting natural areas lies in community stewardship. In the Anti-Lebanon Mountains on the Lebanese-Syrian border, overgrazing and overhunting are threatening a fragile habitat of degraded juniper forests, a haven for migratory birds.

“The region is at the heart of a major flyway between Eurasian breeding grounds and African wintering grounds,” said Sharif Jbour, program officer for BirdLife International. Supported in part by a grant from CEPF, BirdLife's local partner, the Society for the Protection of Nature in Lebanon (SPNL), is reviving the Arabian practice of the Hima (protected area), which involves local communities in sustainable land use, and adding modern conservation methods.

For SPNL, that means educating the community on sustainable hunting and grazing, as well as training women in two traditions: carpet weaving and management of natural resources. With new community curbs on grazing and hunting, said Jbour, there are “big hopes for the natural vegetation to recover” and better support the millions of birds that pass through.

## Communities take the lead in Indo-Burma Hotspot

Back along the Mekong River, communities are also advancing conservation. They have limited panning for gold in the river's protected area and registered indigenous land rights to surrounding lands—a buffer against conversion of forest to plantations. Local CSOs have hired villagers to guard ibis nests and promoted sustainable livelihoods, such as homestays for tourists.

“In the last year, we have had record censuses of white-shouldered ibises in the site and have seen more dolphin calves born than for years,” notes Thibault Ledecq, WWF Conservation Programme manager. It's too soon to credit the Mekong reserve for the good news, said Ledecq, but it signals the area's importance to threatened species.







# Collaboration Between Civil Society + Government

Hidden within the evergreen forests of the Western Ghats Mountains is India's most threatened ecosystem: the *Myristica* swamps. These fragmented habitats, which take their name from two tree species of this genus, face threats from conversion of the swamps to commercial spice gardens and diversion of their waters to farming.

Now, a multipronged approach to restoring the *Myristica* swamps has been developed by local organizations Snehakunja Trust, LIFE Trust, and Sirsi Forestry College, with support from CEPF, and is making a broad impact as the state of Karnataka adopts this community-based model.

From the Western Ghats to St. Vincent in the Caribbean, CSOs like these, working with local, regional and/or national governments, are creating new models for conservation and templates for replication in larger regions or even entire countries.

## Indian villagers, government officials work side by side

In the first phase of the *Myristica* swamp project, teams of local villagers worked alongside staff of the state forest department to map the swamp fragments and the micro-corridors linking them. Next, they developed decentralized nurseries for swamp tree species, managed by local communities. Finally, participants planted carefully chosen tree saplings in the most degraded swamp fragments.

When participants planted 15,000 saplings (most raised in the community nurseries) and restored six micro-corridors, the project's success drew the attention of state officials. Among them was a former chair of the Karnataka Western Ghats Task Force. Invited to a few workshops held by the partners, "he was convinced about the importance of conserving the swamps ... and the performance of this CEPF-funded project," said the project's director, Narasimha Hegde.

The upshot? The state has expanded the project in the 15 original villages and has added 10 more, and now the initiative includes such features as fences, additional plantings, and signs explaining the ecological importance of the swamps. Hegde credits the model's results in part to its recognition that villagers viewed some swamps as sacred places.



**To date, more than 3,600 stakeholders—including local, national and international civil society organizations; government officials; and research institutions—have participated in the development of CEPF's ecosystem profiles. These documents analyze the state of conservation in each biodiversity hotspot where CEPF invests and set priorities for CEPF and other conservation donors.**



## Contributing to Convention on Biological Diversity Aichi Target 4

By 2020, at the latest, governments, businesses and stakeholders at all levels have taken steps to achieve or have implemented plans for sustainable production and consumption and have kept the impacts of the use of natural resources well within safe ecological limits.

On a practical level, the project also furnished fuel-efficient ovens and driers, and cultivated 10,000 mango, cinnamon and other trees that villages can use for fuel, fodder, income generation and other purposes, reducing pressure on the swamps and surrounding forest.

## Forest restoration benefits Caribbean community, ecotourism

On a smaller but meaningful scale, a CSO in a St. Vincent village of 3,000 in the Caribbean Islands biodiversity hotspot is partnering with the St. Vincent and the Grenadines national government to protect a rainforest, draw ecotourists and create sustainable livelihoods. The Diamond Village Community Heritage Organization is making the most of a geological mystery, the Bubby Stone, a huge rock pile on a mountain some 2,500 feet above sea level.

Deforestation in the area—once a conflict zone between marijuana growers and traditional farmers—was contributing to soil erosion, flash floods and even landslides, as well as problems such as stream sedimentation and biodiversity loss. What's left of the rainforest hosts three threatened species: the St. Vincent parrot (*Amazona guildingii*), the St. Vincent blacksnake (*Chironius vincenti*) and the Lesser Antillean whistling frog (*Eleutherodactylus johnstonei*).

Restoring the forest made sense for a host of reasons. So between September 2012 and June 2013, the CSO blazed a 2.5-mile trail to the Bubby Stone and planted saplings on an acre of adjacent land. It took years of work with the Forest Department, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Tourism and the Central Water and Sewage Organization to make it all happen.

"The critical thing was the funding from CEPF," said Simeon Greene of the Diamond Village CSO. "That allowed us to rebuild the trail, plant another acre of land, and provide some livelihood to workers." His group has trained 12 tour guides and 12 local women in culinary arts.

As for the future of the Bubby Stone Trail, he envisions "integrated ecotourism," with Web promotion through the Ministry of Tourism, links to other trails, and at the trailhead, a refreshment stand where visitors could buy locally made foods. "We are in the position to take it to the next level," said Greene.







# Building Capacity to Strengthen Conservation

When gold mining threatened to pollute the main water supply to the capital of Vietnam's Cao Bang province, the Center for People and Nature Reconciliation sprang into action. This Vietnamese civil society organization (CSO), also known as PanNature, hosted press tours and ran stories on its website, ThienNhien.net.

In response, Cao Bang authorities suspended new mining licenses in the area, the prime minister toughened mining regulation, and the National Assembly opted to monitor government mining policies, inviting PanNature to join an oversight mission.

As shown in Vietnam, safeguarding biodiversity requires effective CSOs on the ground that can inform and persuade governments, news media and the public of the need for action. However, preparing these organizations to make a regional, national, or even transnational difference takes the right staffing, training, outreach and communication. That's where capacity-building grants from CEPF come in. Around the globe, the fund is partnering with CSOs to make them stronger and equip them for long-term leadership in their home countries and beyond.

## Grantee rises to the challenge in Indo-Burma Hotspot

With help from CEPF, PanNature ramped up its communications. Over three years, it built a network of Vietnamese journalists who cover biodiversity and environmental issues, made ThienNhien.net an "alternative" channel for environmental news, and sent its *Quarterly Policy Review* to a growing list of 1,200 print and 2,000 online subscribers. The group boosted its staff from 20 to 26, and received training on working with the news media. "The team has been changed not only in quantity but also quality, with more experienced and well-trained colleagues on board," reported the group's executive director, Trinh Le Nguyen.

That enhanced capacity produced press tours with 56 reporters and numerous print and Web stories that helped persuade the Vietnamese government to protect not only Cao Bang, but also eight other crucial ecosystems, notably the Mekong River. In the process, PanNature has become a respected voice on development and conservation policies.



**Since its inception, CEPF has provided training for more than 46,000 local stakeholders in conservation-related professions.**



## Contributing to Convention on Biological Diversity Aichi Target 12

By 2020, the extinction of known threatened species has been prevented and their conservation status, particularly of those most in decline, has been improved and sustained.

## Organizations team up in Caribbean Islands Hotspot

In the Caribbean country of Antigua and Barbuda, CEPF funds are helping local conservationists combat alien life forms. Long ago, rats from distant ports stole away on ships to reach the welcoming climes of the offshore islands of Antigua. It's hard to blame them for choosing such a destination, but they made themselves distinctly unwelcome, teaming up with mongooses imported for rat control to decimate native species of reptiles and birds. Among the many victims: the Critically Endangered Antiguan racer (*Alsophis antiguae*), which became one of the rarest snakes in the world and now occurs only in the offshore islands.

Antiguan organization Environmental Awareness Group Inc. is lead coordinator of the Offshore Island Conservation Programme (OICP), a partnership that also includes the government of Antigua and Barbuda and fellow conservation organizations Fauna & Flora International (FFI) and Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust. This partnership had already made important headway against these pests before CEPF's investment in the region, eradicating invasive predators from 13 offshore islands and helping to turn around the fortunes of the Antiguan racer, whose population rose from a recorded low of 50 to 900 by the end of 2011. OICP also led the successful campaign to create the North East Marine Management Area (NEMMA), Antigua's largest protected area.

But at the time of CEPF's investment in the region, the program found it lacked the capacity and skills needed at the national level to fully implement the management plan for NEMMA and maintain conservation gains for the long term. With assistance from fellow CEPF grantee FFI, the Environmental Awareness Group is using CEPF's support to develop strategic and long-term financial plans, and to train and mentor local staff and volunteers in activities ranging from proposal and scientific writing to data and wildlife management—all with the goal of building lasting conservation capacity inside Antigua.

The funding also is being used for priority conservation measures, such as monitoring the network of bait stations on rat-free islands, conducting stakeholder meetings to discuss protected-area management and disseminate new information, providing environmental education to local schools and tour operators, and posting community monitors on offshore islands. CEPF's support has already made a difference. In 2014, the Environmental Awareness Group applied the confidence and advanced skills it acquired to successfully organize and implement the eradication of rats and mongooses from three more offshore islands—one of many project results that will ensure the continued recovery of Antigua's rare and endemic wildlife.





# Battle Against Invaders Yields Partnerships

In many of the most unique and diverse ecosystems around the globe, plants and animals are under tremendous threat from invaders—other plants and animals that are not native. These ecosystem interlopers can upset nature’s delicate balance, destroying food sources for people, plants and animals while choking out indigenous plant life and importing disease. They can also undermine vital resources, for example, by draining all the water out of a stream that keeps fish, and people, alive.

## South Africans uproot menace in Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany Hotspot

Take the case of the wattle tree. In the Ongeluksnek Provincial Nature Reserve in the southern Drakensberg Mountains of Eastern Cape, South Africa, tracts of two fast-growing wattle species—silver wattle and black wattle—look innocent enough, sporting pale yellow, fragrant flowers. But in this landscape, wattle spreads like the wildfires it follows in its native Australian bushlands, crowding out Ongeluksnek’s indigenous grasses and riparian plants that are part of the foundation of life in the reserve. Wattle also uses significantly more water than grasses, leading to desiccated soils and reduced stream flows that harm livestock grazing and downstream water users. “More than 20,000 hectares of grasslands in the upper catchment have been invaded by wattle over the last few decades, compromising the vital watershed function played by these grassland ecosystems,” said Nicky McLeod, manager of CEPF grantee Environmental and Rural Solutions (ERS).

The invaders, however, also present an opportunity to create jobs and build partnerships. ERS is working with surrounding communities, fellow CEPF grantee Conservation South Africa (CSA), other NGOs, and the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency to address the wattle invasion. Their goal is to improve the management of the Umzimvubu River system, the tourism potential of the Ongeluksnek reserve, and the livelihoods of the neighboring communities. ERS provided much-needed employment for local residents from 25 households to tackle the wattle and other alien plants, and to serve as rangers. Over the two years of the CEPF grant, the work crews were able to remove 30 percent of alien plant cover in the protected area and establish a management regime to maintain the rescued habitat. The ERS/CSA partnership secured two follow-up grants from the



### Results from CEPF’s efforts to address invasive species issues in multiple hotspots:

- Efforts to control or eradicate invasive alien species: 72
- Measures (e.g., biosecurity plans) in place to prevent the introduction and establishment of invasive species: 20
- Species with improved populations as a result of invasive alien species control and eradication: 75
- Trainings conducted on biosecurity and invasive species management: 73
- Efforts (surveys, feasibility plans) undertaken to identify and prioritize invasive alien species and pathways: 20



### Contributing to Convention on Biological Diversity Aichi Target 9

By 2020, invasive alien species and pathways are identified and prioritized, priority species are controlled or eradicated, and measures are in place to manage pathways to prevent their introduction and establishment.

South African Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) for clearing 20,000 hectares surrounding the reserve, creating 230 jobs. CEPF is now funding ERS to consolidate and extend its efforts via the Umzimvubu Catchment Partnership Program, a multi-stakeholder partnership spearheaded by ERS and CSA.

## Native birds make a comeback in the Polynesia-Micronesia Hotspot

The common myna (*Acridotheres tristis*) is adaptable, aggressive and omnivorous, qualities that make it an unwelcome and widespread import in many parts of the world, including the Cook Islands. A nation made up of 15 small islands in the South Pacific, Cook Islands faces multiple invasive species threats, but the myna—which has been named one of the world’s top 100 worst invasives by the Global Invasive Species Database—has been a particular challenge.

This black-and-brown bird with yellow skin around the eyes was brought to the island of Atiu in 1916 to control the coconut stick insect, another invasive species and agricultural pest. While its impact on the stick insect remains unclear, the mynas obviously harass nesting native birds, damage fruit on trees and are a nuisance around homes. As part of an effort to secure local biodiversity and establish ecotourism, CEPF grantee Cook Islands Natural Heritage Trust started working in May 2009 with the island’s leadership and residents to reduce the myna population, estimated to be at least 6,000 at that time. Atiu resident George Mateariki (photographed at left) led implementation of an eradication program, receiving training and safety equipment for the careful use of a poison targeted at the birds. After the 2013 breeding season, fewer than 300 mynas remained, according to Gerald McCormack of Cook Islands Natural Heritage Trust.

“We are optimistic that the remaining mynas can be eradicated before the next breeding season in September, although both trapping and shooting are increasingly difficult,” McCormack said, noting the mynas are quick learners. With the decline in mynas, the number of stick insects has increased, but remains at an acceptable level, McCormack said. Meanwhile, “without harassment by mynas, the land birds have become remarkably prominent and the community enjoys peace around their homes and fruit ripening on trees,” McCormack said.



# Approved Grants

## CARIBBEAN ISLANDS

**Strategic Direction 1.** Improve protection and management of 45 priority key biodiversity areas

### **A Campaign to Promote Private Sector Sustainable Finance Mechanisms to Support Jamaica's Protected Areas System**

\$75,958  
The Nature Conservancy

### **Alternatives for Sustainable Socio-Ecological Conservation in the Macaya Key Biodiversity Area, Massif de la Hotte, Haiti**

\$94,700  
Fondation Macaya pour le Développement Local

### **An Action Plan to Save Threatened Biodiversity in Catadupa**

\$188,000  
Windsor Research Centre Limited

### **Assessing the Potential for Conservation Agreements to Contribute to Community-Based Conservation and Socioeconomic Development in the Caribbean Islands**

\$64,565  
Conservation International

### **Building Local Management Capacity and Conservation Plans to Save Endangered Frogs in Four High Priority Key Biodiversity Areas in Hispaniola**

\$152,379  
The Zoological Society of Philadelphia

### **Caracol Coastal and Marine Management Initiative**

\$142,700  
Fondation pour la Protection de la Biodiversité Marine

### **Development of a Funding Landscape and Feasibility Action Plan for the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica**

\$19,990  
Environmental Foundation of Jamaica (EFJ)

### **Ecosystem Threat Assessment and Protected Area Strategy for the Massif de la Hotte Key Biodiversity Area, Haiti**

\$198,067  
Pennsylvania State University

### **Ensuring the Conservation of Biodiversity in Sierra de Bahoruco National Park Through Strategic and Participatory Management Plan Actions**

\$203,000  
Sociedad Ornitológica de la Hispaniola Inc.

### **Feasibility Analysis, Operational Planning and Capacity Building to Eradicate Invasive Alien Species and to Expand Protection in the Bahamas and Dominican Republic**

\$158,273  
Island Conservation

### **Participatory Implementation of the La Humeadora Mountain National Park Management Plan in the Dominican Republic**

\$103,067  
Fondo Pronaturaleza Inc.

### **Protected Area Strategy and Ecosystem Sustainability in the Key Biodiversity Area of Massif de la Hotte, Haiti**

\$199,576  
Société Audubon Haiti

### **San Salvador Island: Designation of Key Biodiversity Areas, Graham's Harbour and Great Lakes, as National Parks in The Bahamas**

\$62,380  
The Bahamas National Trust

### **Strengthening the Legal Protection of Mount Hartman National Park Key Biodiversity Area and Beausejour/Grenville Vale Key Biodiversity Area in Grenada**

\$103,892  
Grenada Dove Conservation Programme

**Strategic Direction 2.** Integrate biodiversity conservation into landscape and development planning and implementation in six conservation corridors

### **Biodiversity Conservation and Protection Project: Massif de la Hotte Key Biodiversity Area, Soucède, South of Parc Macaya**

\$18,000  
Collectif Developpement

### **Building Capacity for Sustainable Tourism and Livelihoods for the Long-Term Conservation and Management of Key Biodiversity Areas in Grenada**

\$20,000  
Society for the Conservation and Study of Caribbean Birds

### **Building the Capacity of Civil Society to Shape Public Policy Reform in the Caribbean to Protect Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services**

\$249,697  
World Resources Institute

### **Ecotourism and Biodiversity Protection Project for the Kamacroubou Mountain and Diamond Village Community**

\$20,000  
Diamond Village Community Heritage Organisation

### **Forest Restoration Project for Biodiversity Conservation and Natural Resources in Rossignol, Parc Macaya, Massif de la Hotte**

\$20,000  
Organisation des Groupements pour l'Avenir de Rossignol

### **Integrated Watershed Management Planning and Forest Reserve Protection in the Central Mountain Range Conservation Corridor of St. Vincent**

\$77,623  
National Parks, Rivers and Beaches Authority

### **Integrating Northern Cockpit Country Communities into Climate Change Mitigation Policymaking**

\$20,000  
Windsor Research Centre Limited

### **Mainstreaming Ecosystem Service Values into Agricultural Practices: The Value of Native Shade Trees and Forest to Coffee Farms in Central and Western Jamaica**

\$19,645  
Humboldt State University Sponsored Programs Foundation

### **Reduction of Biodiversity Loss Through the Identification of Sustainable Revenue-Generating Models in Communities Surrounding Los Haitises National Park, Dominican Republic**

\$19,500  
Centro para el Desarrollo Agropecuario y Forestal, Inc.

**Strategic Direction 3.** Support Caribbean civil society to achieve biodiversity conservation by building local and regional institutional capacity and by fostering stakeholder collaboration

**Biodiversity Conservation Capacity Needs and Opportunities Assessment in the Caribbean Islands**

\$14,408  
Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust

**Biodiversity Conservation in Loma Guaconejo Scientific Reserve Through Active Community Integration**

\$19,800  
Sociedad Para el Desarrollo Integral del Nordeste, Inc.

**Building the Capacity of the International Union for Conservation of Nature Caribbean Regional Committee to Improve Protected Area Governance and Policy in the Caribbean**

\$20,000  
Environmental Foundation of Jamaica

**Developing an Internet-Based Networking Portal for Invasive Species Practitioners in the Caribbean**

\$29,774  
Auckland Uniservices Ltd.

**Environmental Education for Community Participation in Conservation of Macaya, Massif de la Hotte Key Biodiversity Area**

\$45,200  
Fondation Nouvelle Grand'Anse

**Regional Networking and Strategy Development for Invasive Alien Species in CEPF Priority Key Biodiversity Areas**

\$83,160  
CAB International

**Stakeholder Networking for Biodiversity Conservation in the Lac Azuei/Trou Caiman Key Biodiversity Area of Haiti**

\$19,500  
Fondation pour la Protection de la Biodiversité Marine

**EASTERN AFROMONTANE**

**Strategic Direction 2.** Improved protection and management of the key biodiversity area network through involvement of civil society

**Civil Society Alliance for Enhanced Implementation of Environmental Impact Assessments in Key Biodiversity Areas of the Albertine Rift Region**

\$57,310  
Albertine Rift Conservation Society

**In From the Cold: Providing the Knowledge Base for Comprehensive Biodiversity Conservation in the Chimanimani Mountains, Mozambique**

\$81,986  
MICAIA Foundation

**In from the Cold: Providing the Knowledge Base for Comprehensive Biodiversity Conservation in the Chimanimani Mountains, Mozambique**

\$43,919  
Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

**Mount Mabu Conservation Project**

\$127,140  
Fauna & Flora International

**Securing the Ntakata Forest as a Community-Owned Village Land Forest Reserve in Tongweland, Western Tanzania**

\$158,207  
Fauna & Flora International

**Sheka Forest Biosphere Reserve: Strengthening the Management System and Working with Nearby Communities on Bio-Cultural Learning and Livelihoods Development**

\$121,797  
Movement for Ecological Learning and Community Action (MELCA)–Ethiopia

**Stakeholder Capacity Building for Key Biodiversity Area Management Planning in the Chimanimani-Nyanga Mountains**

\$129,390  
BirdLife Zimbabwe

**Strategic Direction 4.** Provide strategic leadership and effective coordination of CEPF investment through a regional implementation team (RIT) and a broad constituency of civil society groups built across institutional and political boundaries

**Eastern Afromontane-1, Regional Implementation Team Administration**

\$919,395  
BirdLife International

**Eastern Afromontane-2, Regional Implementation Team Programs**

\$477,717  
BirdLife International





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## INDO-BURMA I

**Strategic Direction 1.** Safeguard priority globally threatened species in Indochina by mitigating major threats

### **A Strategic Approach to Conserving the Critically Endangered Edwards's Pheasant**

\$20,000  
Newcastle University

### **Addressing the Illegal Trade and Consumption of Rhino Horn in Vietnam**

\$19,916  
Wildlife Conservation Society

### **Baseline Population Assessment of the Critically Endangered Cat Ba Langur and Initiation of a Long-Term Research Agenda**

\$19,891  
International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, Vietnam Country Program

### **Confirming the Existence of Zhou's Box Turtle in Northern Vietnam and Developing a Conservation Plan for the Species**

\$18,123  
Centre for Natural Resources and Environmental Studies

### **Conservation Through Collaboration: The Third Meeting of the Saola Working Group**

\$16,610  
Global Wildlife Conservation

### **Conserving Three Critically Endangered Vultures in Cambodia**

\$19,116  
Paññāsāstra University of Cambodia

### **Enabling Continued Protection of the Boeung Prek Lapouv and Anlung Pring Sarus Crane Reserves**

\$19,847  
Chamroen Chiet Khmer

### **Finding Saola in the Annamite Range in Lao PDR**

\$19,859  
The Lao Wildlife Conservation Association

### **Nurturing the Flame: Promoting Collaboration for Saola Conservation Regionally and Internationally**

\$8,000  
Global Wildlife Conservation

### **Pilot Different Survey Methods to Identify Saola Population in the Pu Mat National Park of Nghe An Province**

\$18,483  
Center for Environmental and Rural Development, Vinh University

### **Securing Long-Term Sustainable Financing of Community Conservation Teams for the Protection of Tonkin Snub-Nosed Monkeys in Khau Ca, Northern Vietnam**

\$19,994  
Fauna & Flora International

### **Targeted Campaign to Reduce Consumption of Rhino Horn in Vietnam**

\$19,165  
Education for Nature-Vietnam

**Strategic Direction 2.** Develop innovative, locally led approaches to site-based conservation at 28 key biodiversity areas

### **Community-Based Monitoring and Conservation of Threatened Fish Species in the 3S (Sekong, Sesan and Srepok) Basin of Cambodia**

\$19,885  
Royal University of Phnom Penh

### **Conserving the Last Remaining Wild Populations of Hog Deer in Cambodia**

\$15,778  
Royal University of Phnom Penh

### **Stakeholder-Based Conservation of Three Large Waterbirds in the Dry Forest of Cambodia**

\$19,629  
Sam Veasna Center for Wildlife Conservation

### **Strengthening White-Shouldered Ibis Conservation Initiatives and Bolstering Local Stakeholder-Led Initiatives in the Lomphat Wildlife Sanctuary, Cambodia**

\$14,862  
People Resources and Conservation Foundation

**Strategic Direction 3.** Engage key actors in reconciling biodiversity conservation and development objectives, with a particular emphasis on the Northern Limestone Highlands and Mekong River and its major tributaries

### **Assessing the Status and Distribution of Eld's Deer in Western Siem Pang Dry Dipterocarp Forest, Stung Treng Province**

\$19,995  
Royal University of Phnom Penh

### **Community-Based Conservation in Xonnabouly District, Savannakhet Province, Lao PDR**

\$19,243  
Eld's Deer Community Conservation Group in Ban Sanamxai Village

### **Establishing Sustainable Community Fisheries and Wetland Management at Boeung Prek Lapouv Sarus Crane Reserve**

\$19,999  
Chamroen Chiet Khmer

### **Finding a Place for the Bengal Florican in an Agricultural Landscape**

\$19,165  
Wildlife Conservation Society-Cambodia Program (WCS Cambodia)

### **Integrating Bengal Florican Conservation in Community Forest Management-Phase II**

\$19,941  
Action For Development

### **Raising Awareness on Potential Impacts of Upstream Development Activities to Hydrological Regimes, Livelihoods and Biodiversity in the Plain of Reeds, Mekong Delta, Vietnam**

\$20,000  
Center for Water Resources Conservation and Development

### **Strengthening Good Governance for Hydropower Dam Development on the Mekong Mainstream, with a Particular Focus on the Mekong Delta, Vietnam**

\$19,996  
Green Innovation and Development Centre

**Strengthening Local Community Network for Fish Conservation in the Ing River, Thailand**

\$19,266  
Living River Siam

**Using and Systematizing Fishers' Local Ecological Knowledge to Monitor and Manage Fisheries, with Emphasis on Three Globally Threatened Fish Species, in the Lower Mekong River System of Long An Province, Vietnam**

\$19,937  
Research Centre for Resources and Rural Development

**INDO-BURMA II**

**Strategic Direction 1.** Safeguard priority globally threatened species by mitigating major threats

**Indo-Burma II-1: Regional Implementation Team-Administration**

\$885,002  
International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

**Indo-Burma II-2: Regional Implementation Team-Programs**

\$515,001  
International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

**MAPUTALAND-PONDOLAND-ALBANY**

**Strategic Direction 1.** Strengthen protection and management in undercapacitated and emerging protected areas in priority key biodiversity areas

**A Consortium Approach to the Reduction of Human Pressure on the Futi Corridor in Matutuine District**

\$250,400  
Cesvi Onlus

**Biodiversity Conservation in Futi Corridor Project, Matutuine District, Maputo, Mozambique**

\$99,600  
LUPA-Association for Community Development

**Lubombo Transfrontier Conservation and Resource Area Forum**

\$8,855  
Africa Insights

**Titsomba Ta Hina (Our Wealth): Sustainable Use of Natural Resources and Consolidation of Small Scale Farmers' Rights in the Use of Land and Other Natural Resources in the Futi Corridor**

\$100,000  
ORAM-Associação Rural de Ajuda Mutua

**Strategic Direction 2.** Expand conservation areas and improve land use in 22 key biodiversity areas through innovative approaches that sustain biodiversity and ecosystem services

**Developing a Plan for Protected Area Expansion and Sustainable Communities in the Greater Ithala Complex**

\$20,000  
African Conservation Trust

**Growing Together: Supporting Local Community Participation for Conservation Action in the Pondoland and Albany Hotspots-Phase 1**

\$20,000  
South African National Biodiversity Institute

**Wildlife ACT Fund Community Conservation Project**

\$20,000  
Wildlife ACT Fund

**Strategic Direction 3.** Maintain and restore ecosystem function and integrity in the Highland Grasslands and Pondoland corridors

**Enviro-Wise Learning**

\$16,471  
Treverton Trust

**Hydrological Surveys of the Mpushini/Mkhondini Biodiversity Area**

\$4,605  
Preservation of the Mkondeni Mpushini Biodiversity

**Mayday for Rivers: The Fellowship**

\$4,605  
Duzi uMngeni Conservation Trust

**Optimizing the Conservation and Social Return on Investment by Natural Resource Management Programs of the Department of Environmental Affairs Through Improved Planning and Prioritization**

\$39,910  
South African National Biodiversity Institute





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## **Umzimvubu Catchment Partnership Programme: Building Local Institutions, Innovative Strategies and Financial Sustainability for Restoration and Conservation of the Umzimvubu Catchment**

\$301,946  
Conservation South Africa

**Strategic Direction 4.** Create an enabling environment to improve conservation and management of Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany priority sites

## **Developing Civil Society Capacity to Improve Conservation and Management of Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany Priority Sites: Planning for an Integrated Approach**

\$336,700  
South African National Biodiversity Institute

## **Establishing a New Amphibian Conservation Program within the Endangered Wildlife Trust in South Africa**

\$20,000  
Endangered Wildlife Trust

## **Sharing Lessons at the Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany Hotspot Forum**

\$859  
Jeanette Du Toit

## **Sharing Lessons from the Grasslands Project at the Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany Hotspot Forum**

\$426  
WWF South Africa

## **Strengthening Biodiversity Management in Southern Mozambique by Building the Capacity of Individuals and Institutions in the Field of Spatial Biodiversity Planning**

\$20,000  
ECOSOL GIS

## **Strengthening the Capacity of a Local Civil Society Organization's Platform for Environmental Conservation and Sustainable Community Development in Licuáti Sand Forest**

\$100,000  
Associação Kuwuka–Juventude Desenvolvimento e Advocacia Ambiental

### **MEDITERRANEAN BASIN**

**Strategic Direction 1.** Promote civil society involvement in Integrated Coastal Zone Management to minimize the negative effects of coastal development in three priority corridors (Southwest Balkans; Cyrenaican Peninsula; and Mountains, Plateaus and Wetlands of Algerian Tell and Tunisia), and in 20 coastal and marine priority key biodiversity areas in other corridors

## **Albania Field Project: Sustainable Economic Activities in Mediterranean Marine Protected Areas**

\$210,000  
Institute of Nature Conservation in Albania

## **Ecotourism Activities for the Conservation of Key Biodiversity Sites in Northern Tunisia**

\$246,746  
Association Les Amis des Oiseaux

## **Ecotourism in Ulcinj Salina**

\$170,976  
Center for Protection and Research of Birds of Montenegro

## **Engaging Civil Society in Integrated Coastal Zone Management Planning**

\$58,550  
Institute for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development

## **Protecting Threatened and Endemic Species in Cape Verde: A Major Island Restoration Project**

\$222,298  
Sociedade Portuguesa para o Estudo das Aves

## **Sustainable Economic Activities in Mediterranean Marine Protected Areas**

\$350,656  
WWF European Policy Programme–Branch Office

**Strategic Direction 2.** Establish the sustainable management of water catchments and the wise use of water resources with a focus on the priority corridors of the (1) Atlas Mountains, (2) Taurus Mountains, (3) Orontes Valley and Lebanon Mountains and (4) Southwest Balkans

## **Valuing Ecotourism, Fish and Aquatic Biodiversity of the Moroccan Atlas for Contribution to the Preservation of Water Resources in Ifrane National Park and the High Atlas Oriental**

\$240,420  
Association Marocaine pour l'Ecotourisme et la Protection de la Nature

**Strategic Direction 3.** Improve the conservation and protection status of 44 priority key biodiversity areas

## **A Survey of the Distribution of Olm by Environmental DNA Sampling**

\$16,515  
Društvo Za Jamsko Biologijjo–Society of Cave Biology

## **Conservation of Pelicans, a Key Biodiversity Species of Skadar Lake**

\$218,130  
Noe Conservation

## **Conservation of Wild Grapevine in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

\$16,970  
Institute for Adriatic Crops and Karst Reclamation

## **Demonstrating Sustainable Management of Important Eastern Mediterranean Forests and Key Biodiversity Areas in the Anti-Lebanon Mountains**

\$167,750  
Society for the Protection of Nature in Lebanon

## **Engaging Civil Societies in Harmonization of Actions for Improving the Conservation and Management Effectiveness of Lake Skadar**

\$19,375  
NGO Green Home

## **Enhancing Sustainable Livelihoods and Promoting Community Management of Shouf Biosphere Reserve**

\$160,300  
Al-Shouf Cedar Society

## **Green Fodder Pilot Project**

\$19,975  
The United Society for Developing Water Resources and Environment

## **Improving the Management of Hutovo Blato Nature Park**

\$194,908  
EuroNatur Foundation

**Karst Freshwater Habitats: Identification and Participatory Conservation of Threatened Invertebrate and Fish Species**

\$19,850  
Society for Biological Research and Protection of Nature

**Locating the Wild Grapevine Along the River Banks of Krka, Croatia**

\$2,700  
Institute for Adriatic Crops and Karst Reclamation

**Monitoring Waterbirds in North Africa for the Conservation of Wetland Areas**

\$230,000  
Fondation Tour du Valat

**Photographic Guide to Lebanon's Wildflowers**

\$19,920  
Arts, Sciences and Technology University in Lebanon

**Promoting Trebizat as an Ecotourism Destination**

\$110,000  
The Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe

**Protection of Bats in the Neretva River Catchment Area**

\$38,000  
Center for Karst and Speleology

**Protection of Underground Biodiversity in the Neretva River Catchment Area: Identifying and Raising the Awareness of Conservation Hotspots**

\$15,300  
Centar za krš i speleologiju (Center for Karst and Speleology)

**Securing the Future of Hutovo Blato Nature Park**

\$169,846  
WWF European Policy Programme-Branch Office

**Strengthening Management Planning of Mujib as a Biosphere Reserve in Jordan**

\$242,160  
The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature

**Sustainable Livelihoods and Community Management of Medicinal Plants and Important Plant Areas in the High Atlas Mountains**

\$19,900  
Global Diversity Foundation

**POLYNESIA-MICRONESIA**

**Strategic Direction 2.** Strengthen the conservation status and management of 60 key biodiversity areas

**Convening the CEPF Final Evaluation Conference for the Polynesia-Micronesia Hotspot**

\$122,361  
BirdLife International

**Tourist-Introduced Threats in Marine Lakes: Assessing the Effect of Sunblock on Jellyfish Health to Inform Sustainable Management**

\$8,000  
Coral Reef Research Foundation, Inc.

**Strategic Direction 3.** Build awareness and participation of local leaders and community members in the implementation of protection and recovery plans for threatened species

**Book Publication: Easter Island Flora and Biodiversity Challenges**

\$17,997  
ONF Conosur S.A.

**Increasing Public Awareness of Fijian Dragonflies: A Pocket Guide to Species on the Main Island of Viti Levu**

\$14,680  
Institute of Applied Science, University of the South Pacific

**WESTERN GHATS & SRI LANKA**

**WESTERN GHATS REGION**

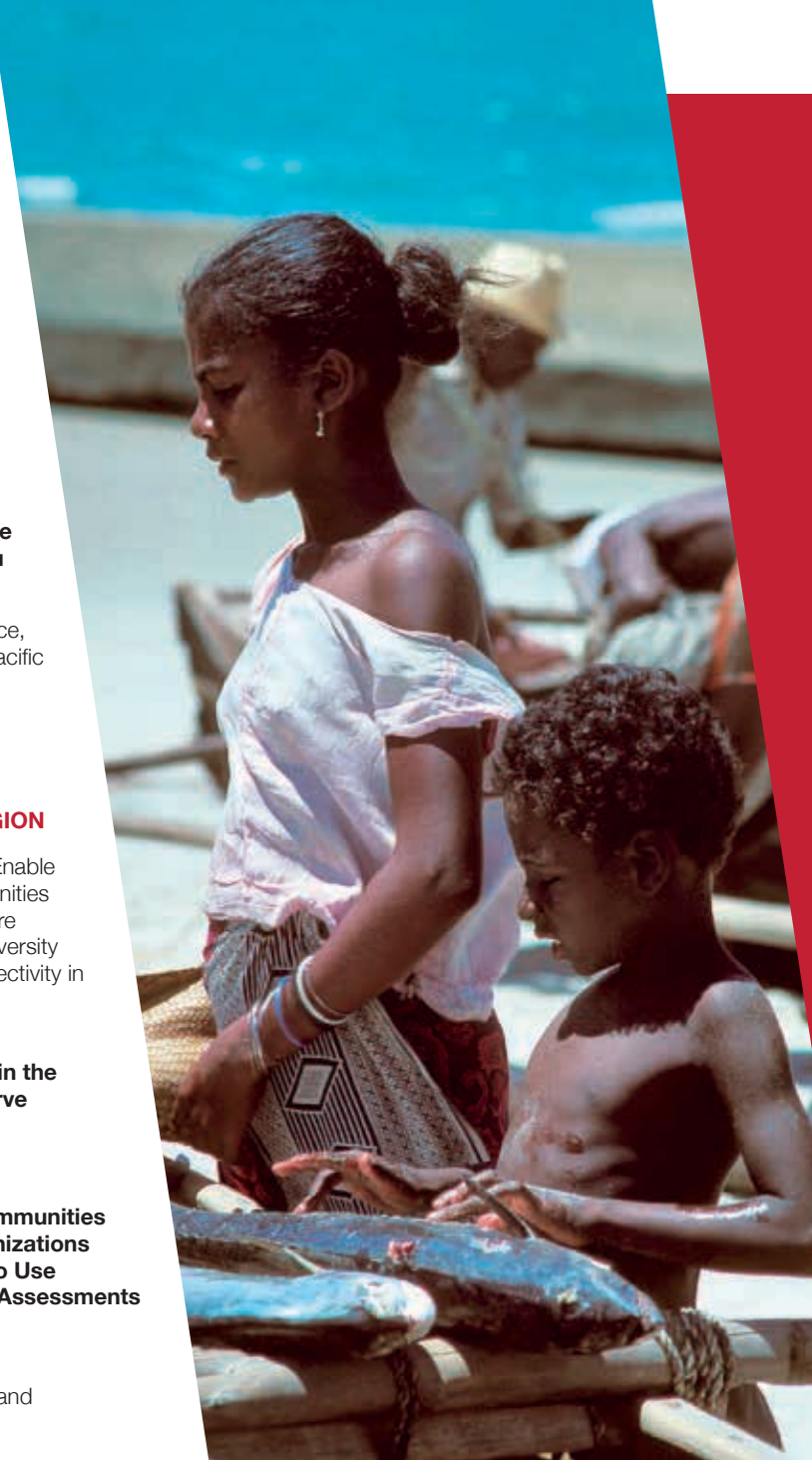
**Strategic Direction 1.** Enable action by diverse communities and partnerships to ensure conservation of key biodiversity areas and enhance connectivity in the corridors

**Barefoot Ecologist for Ecological Monitoring in the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve**

\$19,000  
Keystone Foundation

**Empowering Local Communities and Civil Society Organizations in the Western Ghats to Use Environmental Impact Assessments as a Conservation Tool**

\$75,000  
Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment





# Approved Grants

## **Examining Large Carnivore Connectivity and Creating Conservation Networks in the Sahyadri-Konkan Corridor**

\$18,990  
Wildlife Research and Conservation Society

## **In Harmony with Nature: Advancing Sustainability of the Satoyama Landscapes in the Sahyadri-Konkan Corridor**

\$99,186  
Applied Environmental Research Foundation

## **Overcoming Barriers: Restoring Ecological Connectivity Across Linear Intrusions in the Shencottah Gap**

\$145,958  
Foundation for Ecological Research, Advocacy and Learning

## **Roots of a Green Economy: Enhancing Biodiversity Conservation and Local Livelihoods in the Anamalai Corridor**

\$50,000  
Wildlife Information Liaison Development Society

## **Sowing Seeds for a Green Economy: Exploring Payment for Ecosystem Services in Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve**

\$185,526  
Keystone Foundation

## **Staying Connected: Addressing the Impacts of Linear Intrusion on Wildlife in the Western Ghats**

\$75,000  
Wildlife Trust of India

## **Strengthening Conservation Through Adivasis' Traditional Practices and the Forest Rights Act**

\$59,770  
Action for Community Organization, Rehabilitation and Development

## **Thematic Training on GIS and Remote Sensing for Conservation Research and Planning**

\$19,916  
Foundation for Ecological Research, Advocacy and Learning

**Strategic Direction 2.** Improve the conservation of globally threatened species through systematic conservation planning and action

## **Indian Biodiversity Congress: CEPF Special Session on the Biodiversity of the Western Ghats**

\$4,633  
Foundation for Revitalisation of Local Health Traditions

## **Linking Scales: Mainstreaming the Conservation Agenda in Tamil Nadu**

\$70,000  
Care Earth Trust

## **Refining and Validating Freshwater Key Biodiversity Areas in Kerala and Tamil Nadu**

\$69,996  
International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

## **Right to Soar High Again: Establishing a Vulture Safe Zone in Southern India**

\$59,961  
Arulagam

## **The Konkan Vulture Project: Participatory Vulture Conservation in the Northern Western Ghats**

\$35,000  
Sahyadri Nisarga Mitra

## **Western Ghats Portal: Toward Consolidation and Sustainability**

\$84,744  
French Institute of Pondicherry

## **Western Ghats Portal: Toward Consolidation and Sustainability**

\$94,938  
Strand Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd.







# Financial Summary

During the 2013 fiscal year, CEPF received grants of \$3 million from the World Bank's Development Grant Facility, \$425,000 from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and \$1.8 million from the Margaret A. Cargill Foundation designated for the Indo-Burma Hotspot, bringing the total revenue to date to \$238 million.

CEPF awarded \$13.3 million in grants during fiscal year 2013, bringing the amount it has invested in conserving critical ecosystems since 2000 to \$161 million. By the end of the fiscal year, nearly 1,800 grantees had received support from the fund since its inception.

The fund moved forward with grants in support of implementing the strategies for the Eastern Afromontane, the Caribbean Islands, Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany and the Mediterranean Basin hotspots, and the Western Ghats Region of India, and for the reinvestment in the Indo-Burma Hotspot. CEPF completed funding for the investment in the Polynesia-Micronesia Hotspot and its initial investment in Indo-Burma, and dispersed targeted support to sustain gains made possible by previous investments in the Mountains of Southwest China and Tumbes-Chocó-Magdalena hotspots.

Meanwhile, CEPF completed its conservation and investment strategy—called the “ecosystem profile”—for the East Melanesian Islands Hotspots, and began work on the profiles for the Wallacea Hotspot and for the reinvestment in the Madagascar and Indian Ocean Islands Hotspot.





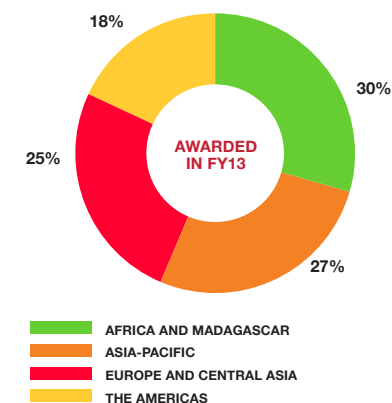
# Statement of Activities

For fiscal year ended June 30, 2013

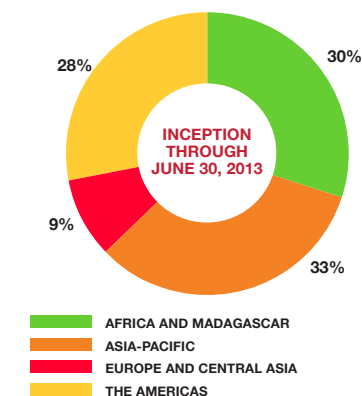
REVENUE	FY13	CUMULATIVE
Grants and Contributions	5,225,000	234,486,650
Gain (Loss) on Foreign Exchange	0	1,480,446
Interest Earned	125,141	2,409,132
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$5,350,141</b>	<b>\$238,376,228</b>
<b>EXPENSES AND GRANTS AWARDED</b>		
<b>GRANTS BY FUNDING REGION*</b>		
Atlantic Forest		10,010,403
Cape Floristic Region		7,551,147
Caribbean Islands	2,389,421	5,322,101
Caucasus	(2,498)	9,295,406
Eastern Arc Mountains & Coastal Forests		8,799,719
Eastern Afromontane	2,719,749	2,719,749
Eastern Himalayas		4,882,859
Guinean Forests of West Africa		8,072,696
Indo-Burma	259,404	9,751,583
Indo-Burma Reinvestment	1,700,003	1,700,003
Madagascar & Indian Ocean Islands	(17,156)	5,555,602
Maputaland-Pondoland-Albany	1,257,279	5,842,865
Mediterranean Basin	3,401,027	5,825,855
Mountains of Southwest China	1,266	7,885,090
Northern Mesoamerica		7,079,430
The Philippines		6,970,399
Polynesia-Micronesia	47,925	6,932,054
Southern Mesoamerica	(6,660)	7,046,928
Succulent Karoo	(21,595)	9,220,999
Sundaland		9,901,465
Tropical Andes	(3,144)	8,297,992
Tumbes-Chocó-Magdalena	32,773	6,798,346
Western Ghats & Sri Lanka	1,539,344	5,975,822
<b>TOTAL GRANTS</b>	<b>13,297,138</b>	<b>161,438,513</b>
Ecosystem Profile Preparation	761,816	9,255,716
Use of Interest: External Evaluations, Audit and Special Projects	193,685	1,079,630
Operations	2,484,006	28,843,791
<b>TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,439,507</b>	<b>39,179,137</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES AND GRANTS AWARDED</b>	<b>16,736,645</b>	<b>200,617,650</b>
Revenue Less Expenses	(11,386,504)	37,758,578
Fund Balance at Beginning of the Period	49,145,082	
Fund Balance at End of the Period	37,758,578	
<b>FUND BALANCE AT THE END OF THE PERIOD CONSISTED OF:</b>		
Cash Net of Amount Due to/from CI		46,332,671
Accounts Receivable		9,558,765
Grants Payable		(18,132,858)
Fund Balance at End of the Period (Fully Earmarked for Investments)		37,758,578

\* The grant expenses include new grants awarded in FY13. Negative amounts in grants represent grant deobligations.

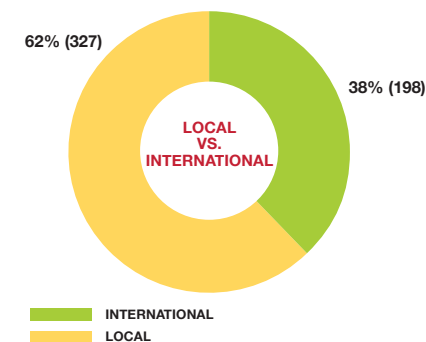
## GRANTS BY REGION



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# The CEPF **Community**

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# Grantee Partners

**SINCE ITS INCEPTION, CEPF HAS SUPPORTED 1,788 NONGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERS IN CONSERVING BIODIVERSITY HOTSPOTS.**

Aaranyak	Armenian Assembly of America, Inc.	Associação Dos Pescadores e Amigos Do Rio Paraiba Do Sul	Bombay Natural History Society
Action for Community Organization, Rehabilitation and Development	Armenian Forests NGO	Associação dos Proprietários de Reservas Particulares do Estado da Bahia	Border Rural Committee
Adansonía Consulting	Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University	Associação Flora Brasil	Botanical Society of South Africa
AfriBugs CC	Arulagam	Associação KUWUKA–Juventude Desenvolvimento e Advocacia Ambiental	Bristol, Clifton and West of England Zoological Society Ltd.
Africa Environmental News Service	ASEAN Focus Group Pty. Ltd.	Associação Mico-Leão-Dourado	Brown Hyena Research Project
African Butterfly Research Institute	Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment	Associação Super Eco de Integração Ambiental e Desenvolvimento da Criança	CAB International
African Conservation Trust	Asian Nature Conservation Foundation	Association Fanamby	Cagayan Valley Partners in People Development
African Rainforest Conservancy	Asociación Balam para la Conservación de los Recursos Naturales y Culturales Integrados	Association for Nature Protection and Sustainable Use "Mta-Bari"	Calbitz Holdings
African Safari Lodge Foundation	Asociación Centro de Acción Legal-Ambiental y Social de Guatemala	Association Les Amis des Oiseaux	Cambodian Rural Development Team
Afrique Nature International	Asociación Comercial y Agropecuaria de Chiriquí Grande	Association Marocaine pour l'Ecotourisme et la Protection de la Nature	Cape Leopard Trust
AGORO Centre for Intercultural Learning and Talent Development	Asociación de Amigos y Vecinos de la Costa y la Naturaleza	Association of Environmental Lawyers of Liberia	Cape West Coast Biosphere Reserve Company
Agricultural Research Council and Range and Forage Institute	Asociación de Desarrollo y Promoción Humana de la Costa Atlántica	Association pour la Gestion Intégrée et Durable de l'Environnement	Care Earth Trust
Albertine Rift Conservation Society	Asociación de Organizaciones del Corredor Biológico Talamanca Caribe	Auckland UniServices Limited	CARE International
Alianza para la Conservación y el Desarrollo	Asociación de Practicantes de Medicina Tradicional Naso	Aurora Resource Development Initiatives Association Inc.	Caribbean Coastal Area Management Foundation
Al-Shouf Cedar Society	Asociación de Profesionales y Técnicos Ngöbe Bugle	Bahamas National Trust	Carrick, Peter
Amani Nature Reserve	Asociación de Reservas Naturales Privadas de Guatemala	Baimaxueshan National Nature Reserve Management Office	Caucasus Environmental NGO Network
Amazon Conservation Association	Asociación de Turismo de Tres Colinas	Baviaans Conservancy	Caucasus Nature Fund
American Bird Conservancy	Asociación Ecuatoriana de Ecoturismo	Beijing Normal University	Cecchi, Susie Lee
Amigos del Museo de Historia Natural Noel Kempf Mercado	Asociación IXACAVAA de Desarrollo e Información Indígena	Beijing Shanmo Investment Consultancy Co.	Center for Biodiversity and Indigenous Knowledge
Anglia Ruskin University	Asociación Mejorando al Desarrollo Rural de la Región a Traves de la Conservación de la Vida Silvestre	Beijing Shanshui Conservation Center	Center for Karst and Speleology
Angweng Reincarnated Buddha	Asociación Nacional para la Conservación de la Naturaleza	Belize Association of Private Protected Areas	Center for Legal Assistance to Pollution Victims
Anti Illegal Logging Institute	Asociación para la Conservación, Investigación de la Biodiversidad y el Desarrollo Sustentable	Belize Foundation for Research and Environmental Education	Center for Protection and Research of Birds of Montenegro
Applied Environmental Research Foundation	Asociación para la Investigación y Desarrollo Integral	Belize Tropical Forest Studies	Center for Russian Nature Conservation
Arboretum d'Antsokay	Asociación Peruana para la Conservación de la Naturaleza	Bird Conservation Nepal	Center for Water Resources Conservation and Development
Arid Zone Ecology Forum	Asociación Red Colombiana de Reservas Naturales de la Sociedad Civil	BirdLife International	Central de Pueblos Indigenas de La Paz
Arizona State University	Asociación Trópico Verde/ParksWatch Guatemala	BirdLife South Africa	Central Mindanao University
		BirdLife Zimbabwe	Centre Ecologique de Libanona
		Black Sea Eco Academy	Centre for Natural Resources and Environmental Studies
		Bluefields Indian and Caribbean University	Centre for People and Nature Reconciliation
			Centre National des Sciences Halieutiques de Boussoura

Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza

Centro Científico Tropical

Centro de Estudios y Acción Social Panameño

Centro de Investigación y Estudios en Biodiversidad y Recursos Genéticos

Centro Mexicano de Derecho Ambiental, Asociación Civil

Centro para la Investigación en Sistemas Sostenibles de Producción Agropecuaria

Centro Terra Viva-Estudios e Advocacia Ambiental

Cesvi Onlus

Chen, Youping

Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding Center

China Institute of Water Resources and Hydropower Research

China Youth Daily-Green Island

Chinese Academy of Sciences

Cleveland Zoological Society

COLUFIFA-Guinée

Colville, Jonathan

Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Popoli

Community and Biodiversity Conservation Research Center of Lanzhou University

Concerned Environmentalists for the Enhancement of Biodiversity

Conservation International

Conservation Management Ltd.

Conservation Management Services

Conservation Society of Pohnpei

Conservation Strategy Fund

Conserve Africa Foundation

Consorcio Ambiental Dominicano

Construction Planning Office of Shangri-La Alpine Botanic Garden

Cook Islands Natural Heritage Trust

Cooperativa AMBIO Sociedad Cooperativa de Responsabilidad Limitada

Cooperativa do Produtores Orgânicos do Sul da Bahia

Cornell University

Corporación Oro Verde

Corporación para la Investigación, Capacitación y Apoyo Técnico para el Manejo Sustentable de los Ecosistemas Tropicales

Corporación Serraniagua

Council for Scientific and Industrial Research

Counterpart International

Cowling, Shirley Pierce

Crescente Fértil

Curtis, Odette

Danish Zoological Society

Dargle Conservancy

Darjeeling Ladenla Road Prerna

Darmanto

David Butler Associates Ltd.

de Jong, Yvonne

Desmet, Philip

Deutsches Primatenzentrum

Development Bank of Southern Africa

Djogo, Antonius

Doğa Derneği

Dolphin Foundation

Douc Langur Foundation

Duineveld Coastal Association

Durban Botanic Gardens

Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust

East Africa Natural History Society

East African Wild Life Society

East Foundation

Eco Oceania Pty. Ltd.

EcoAfrica Environmental Consultants

Ecobiosfera el Triunfo, Sociedad Civil

Eco-Security Task Force of China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development

Ecotourism Association Public Organization

Eden to Addo Corridor Initiative

Education for Nature-Vietnam

Eersterivier Projects Organization

Ehardt, Carolyn L.

El Colegio de la Frontera Sur

ElefantAsia

Endangered Wildlife Trust

Environics Trust

Environmental & Rural Solutions

Environmental Awareness Group Inc.

Environmental Camps for Conservation Awareness

Environmental Foundation for Africa

Environmental Law Institute

Environmental Legal Assistance Center, Inc.

Environmental Monitoring Group

Environmental Volunteer Association of Sichuan University

Environmental Watch on the North West Caucasus

EnviroScience

Equals Three Communications

Equitable Tourism Options

Escuela Agrícola Panamericana, Zamorano

Ethnobotanical Society of Nepal

EuroNatur Foundation

Facultad Latino Americana de Ciencias Sociales

Fan, Enyuan

Farmers Associated to Conserve the Environment

Fauna & Flora International





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Federación de Centros Awá del Ecuador

Federación Nacional de Cafeteros de Colombia, Comité Departamental de Cafeteros del Valle del Cauca

Field Museum of Natural History

Field Researchers' Union "Campester"

Fiji Nature Conservation Trust

First Philippine Conservation, Inc.

Flower Valley Conservation Trust

Fondation Macaya pour le Développement Local

Fondation Nouvelle Grand'Anse

Fondation pour la Protection de la Biodiversité Marine

Fondation Tour du Valat

Fondo Ambiental Nacional de Ecuador

Fondo de Conservación El Triunfo, Asociación Civil

Fondo de las Americas del Perú

Fondo Mexicano para la Conservación de la Naturaleza, A.C.

Fondo Pronaturaleza, Inc.

Fopspeen Live Art

Foundation for Ecological Research, Advocacy and Learning

Foundation for Integrative and Development Studies Inc.

French Institute of Pondicherry

Freshwater Consulting Group

Friends for Conservation and Development

Friends of Die Oog

Friends of Nature, China

Friends of the Environment for Development and Sustainability Inc.

Friends of Tokai Forest

Fund for Biodiversity Conservation of Armenian Highland

Fundação Biodiversitas para Conservação da Diversidade Biológica

Fundação Botânica Margaret Mee

Fundação Ceciliano Abel de Almeida

Fundação de Desenvolvimento da Pesquisa, Departamento de Biologia Geral

Fundación Agroecológica Cotobuseña

Fundación Altropico

Fundación Amigos del Río San Juan

Fundación Centro de Investigaciones del Pacifico

Fundación Centro para la Investigación en Sistemas Sostenibles de Producción Agropecuaria

Fundación Corcovado Lon Willing Ramsey Jr.

Fundación de Defensa Ecológica

Fundación de Parques Nacionales

Fundación Defensores de la Naturaleza

Fundación Ecotrópico Colombia

Fundación Ecuatoriana de Estudios Ecológicos

Fundación Jatun Sacha

Fundación Kukulkan

Fundación Neotropica

Fundación Nicaragüense para la Conservación

Fundación para el Desarrollo Agrario

Fundación para el Desarrollo de la Ecología

Fundación para el Desarrollo del Sistema Nacional de Áreas Protegidas

Fundación para el Desarrollo Integral del Corregimiento de Cerro Punta

Fundación para el Desarrollo Integral del Hombre y Su Entorno

Fundación para el Desarrollo Integral, Comunitario y Conservación de los Ecosistemas en Panamá

Fundación para el Desarrollo Sostenible

Fundación para el Desarrollo Sostenible de Panamá

Fundación para el Ecodesarrollo y la Conservación

Fundación para la Conservación de los Recursos Naturales y Ambiente en Guatemala

Fundación para la Investigación y Conservación ProAves

Fundación Peruana para la Conservación de la Naturaleza

Fundación Protección y Uso Sostenible del Medio Ambiente

Fundación Rainforest Rescue

Fundación San Marcos para el Desarrollo de la Ciencia y la Cultura

Fundación Servicio Ecuatoriano para la Conservación y el Desarrollo Sostenible

Fundación Sirua

Fundación Universidad Nacional

Fynbos Forum

Garden Route Botanical Garden Trust

Garden Route Enviro Services

Georgian Center for the Conservation of Wildlife

GeoTerra Image Pty. Ltd.

Ghana Heritage Conservation Trust

Ghana Wildlife Society

Ghent University

Global Environmental Institute

Global Village Beijing

Grand Gedeh Community Servant Association

Green Connection

Green Earth Volunteers

Green Law Institute for Action

Green Student Organizations Society

Green Watershed

Greenomics Indonesia

Grenada Dove Conservation Programme

Grootbos Green Futures Foundation

Grupo de Defesa da Naturaleza

Grupo de Trabajo sobre Certificación Forestal Voluntaria en Ecuador

Grupo Jaragua

Grupo Social Fondo Ecuatoriano Populorum Progressio

Guinée Ecologie

Haribon Foundation for the Conservation of Natural Resources

Helme, Nick

Henry L. Stimson Center

Houston Zoo, Inc.

Human Footprint

Ilam Cooperation Council

Independent Producer Center, Yeni Dalga

Indian Institute of Science

Indigo Development and Change

Indonesian Ecotourism Network

Institute for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development

Institute for Tropical Ecology and Conservation

Institute of Nature Conservation in Albania

Instituto Amigos da Reserva da Biosfera da Mata Atlântica

Instituto BioAtlântica

Instituto Cidade

Instituto de Conservação de Ambientes Litorâneos da Mata Atlântica

Instituto de Estudos Sócio-Ambientais do Sul da Bahia

Instituto de Pesquisa da Mata Atlântica

Instituto de Pesquisas e Conservação da Biodiversidade dos Biomas Brasileiros

Instituto Dominicano de Desarrollo Integral, Inc.

Instituto Floresta Viva

Instituto Machu Picchu

Instituto Nacional de Biodiversidad

Instituto para la Conservación y la Investigación de la Biodiversidad

Instituto Rede Brasileira Agroflorestal

Instituto Tecnológico de Santo Domingo

Instituto Terra

Integrated and Sustainable Upland Community Development Foundation

International Center for Journalists

International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management

International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology

International Fund for Animal Welfare

International Fund for China's Environment

International Iguana Foundation	Livelihood Enhancement in Agro-forestry Foundation Inc.	Nature's Valley Trust
International Rhino Foundation	Living Earth Foundation	Navadarsan Public Charitable Trust
International Rivers Network	Lubombo Conservancy	Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University
International Union for Conservation of Nature	LUPA–Association for Community Development	New England Aquarium
Island Conservation	Mabuwani Women Group	Newmark, William D.
Jaringan Kerja Penyelamatan Hutan Riau	Mabuwaya Foundation Inc.	Noah's Arc Centre for the Recovery of Endangered Species
Jones, Trevor P.	Masibambane Multi-Purpose Community Centre	Noe Conservation
Jongowe Environmental Management Association	MATEZA	Norden Pines
Jordaan, L.H.	Measey, G. John	Northern Sierra Madre Natural Park Development Foundation Inc.
JPFfirst	MELCA–Ethiopia	ONF Conosur S.A.
Kasigau Conservation Trust	Miami University	ORAM–Associacao Rural de Ajuda Mutua
Katala Foundation Inc.	MICAIA Foundation	Organisation des Paysans pour le Développement de l'Unité II de la Forêt des Pins, Mare Rouge
Kawagebo Culture Society	Mindanao Environment Forum	Organización para el Desarrollo Sostenible del Pueblo Naso
Kaya Kinondo Conservation and Development Group and Coastal Forest Conservation Unit	Miriam-Public Education and Awareness Campaign for the Environment	Pacific Expeditions Ltd.
Kaya Muhaka Forest Conservation Organization	Missouri Botanical Garden	Palawan Conservation Corps
Keystone Foundation	Mlup Baitong	Panos Institute
Khustup Nature Protection NGO	Modelo de Comunidad Ecológica los Valles	ParksWatch
Komunitas Konservasi Indonesia–WARSI	Mülleriana: Sociedade Fritz Müller de Ciências Naturais	Parren, Marcus
Kosrae Conservation and Safety Organization	Museo Tridentino di Scienze Naturali	PeaceWork
Kuapa Kokoo Farmers Union	NACLO	Peking University
Kuensel Corp. Ltd.	Namib Desert Environmental Education Trust	Pennsylvania State University
Lamoreux, John	Namibia Nature Foundation	People Resources and Conservation Foundation
Landcare Research New Zealand Ltd.	Namprocon CC	Peregrine Fund
Landmark Foundation	Namsaling Community Development Centre	Perkumpulan Generasi Untuk Rehabilitasi Keseimbangan Hidup dan Alam
Leatherback Trust	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	Perkumpulan Uma Mentawai
Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment	National Museums of Kenya	Philippine Business for Social Progress
Lembaga Swadaya Masyarakat Gerakan Masyarakat Madina Pemantau Apatur Negara	National Parks, Rivers and Beaches Authority	Philippine Eagle Conservation Program Foundation, Inc.
Lembaga Swadaya Masyarakat Harapan Madina	National Trust of Fiji	Probioma
L'Homme et l'Environnement	Nature Conservancy	
Li, Xiaohong	Nature Conservation Centre	
LightHawk	Nature Conservation Committee of Trashiyangtse	
Little Design Company	Nature Conservation Foundation (India)	
	Nature Kenya	





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Process Luzon Association Inc.	Sichuan Alpine Ecology Study Centre	Space for Elephants Foundation	University of Stellenbosch
Professional and Entrepreneurial Orientation Union	Sichuan Greenriver Environmental Association	Strand Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd.	University of the South Pacific
Programme for Belize	Sichuan Normal University	Sumgayit Center for Environmental Rehabilitation	University of Vermont
Pronatura Chiapas, A.C.	Sichuan Wildlife Resource Survey and Conservation Management Station	Surigao Economic Development Foundation Inc.	University of Western Ontario
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