

Small Grants –Final Completion and Impact Report

Instructions: CEPF requires that each grantee report on project results and impacts at the end of their grant. To monitor CEPF’s global indicators, CEPF will aggregate the data that you submit with data from other grantees, to determine the overall impact of CEPF investment. The aggregated results of all grantees will be reported on in our annual impact report and other communications materials. Your Final Completion and Impact Report will be posted on the CEPF website.

Ensure that the information provided pertains to the entire project, from start date to project end date.

Please complete all fields and respond to all questions listed below.

Organization Legal Name: Institute for Environmental Policy

Project Title: Conservation and propagation of the Albanian tulip – Phase 2

Grant Number: CEPF-113774

Date of Completion of this Report: 30.11.2023

CEPF Hotspot: Mediterranean Biodiversity Hotspot, ALB15 Mali I Munellës – Bjeshka e Oroshit – Liqenet e Lurës

Strategic Direction: 4: Strengthen the engagement of civil society to support the conservation of plants that are critically endangered or have highly restricted ranges.

Grant Amount: USD 6,000 (six thousand United States Dollar)

Project Dates: 1.12.2022 – 31.10.2023

PART I: Overview

1. Implementation Partners for this Project (*list each partner and explain how they were involved in the project*)

National Agency for Protected Areas (NAPA), together with its local branch, Kukës Regional Administration of Protected Areas (RAPA Kukës) were actively involved in the advocacy process to persuade the Ministry of Tourism and Environment in declaring the *Tulipa albanica* habitat in Kukës a protected area under central protection and put it in the draft list of potential Natura 2000 sites. RAPA Kukës was actively involved in the planning and supporting the awareness raising events in Kukës.

Kukës Municipality was involved in supporting the planning and implementation of the local event organized for *Tulipa albanica* in Kukës, and supported the organization in other meetings with stakeholders in Kukës.

Youth of Kukës High School Ecoclub were engaged since the beginning in following and supporting IEP in awareness rising activities. Following the awareness activities for the Albanian Tulip, Turgut Ozal High School Tirana joined as well.

IEP got the support from the local civil society community as they understood the importance of central protection, what they can do to conserve the species and not harm the area. They participated actively in the awareness rising activities and served as disseminator of information and awareness on protecting the *Tulipa albanica* habitat.

2. Summarize the overall results of your project

The project fully accomplished its main objective: **“To contribute to the proclamation of the *Tulipa albanica* habitat in Surroj, Kukës as a protected area under Category III of protection”**.

Through a series of advocacy activities, the project speeded up the process of declaring the *Tulipa albanica* site a protected area under the IUCN Category III of protection, in cooperation with the Regional Administration of Protected Areas (RAPA) Kukës, the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, and Kukës Municipality. The other relevant actors that were key to the speeding up of the process were the National Agency of Natural Resources (NANR) and the Albanian Geological Service (AGS), who guaranteed the exclusion of the area from further mining survey activities.

On 13 March 2023, the *Tulipa albanica* habitat in Surroj, Kukës was proclaimed from the Government of Albania as a protected area under Category III of protection, and the decision was published on the official gazette on 15 March 2023. The area has been delineated on the e-map of the National Agency for Territorial Planning as well:

<https://akpt.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=ff270e99f5be45f19c7b7a1e3e618b27>.

The project also designed and prepared a video documentary about the chronological events occurred for the protection of *Tulipa albanica* associated with interviews of major actors participating in this journey. The video was premiered in October 2023 in the event held in Kukës in regard of proclamation of *Tulipa albanica* site as Monument of Nature.

As a celebration for proclaiming the tulip site as a Nature Monument, the Institute for Environmental Policy organized and held an event in Kukës on 25 October 2023. The event brought together representatives from the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, NAPA, RAPA Kukës, Municipality of Kukës, local and national NGOs, and interested public.

3. Briefly describe actual progress towards each planned long-term and short-term impact (as stated in the approved proposal)

List each long-term impact from your proposal

a. Planned Long-term Impacts - 3+ years (as stated in the approved proposal)

Impact Description	Impact Summary
To contribute to the proclamation of the <i>Tulipa albanica</i> habitat in Surroj, Kukës as a protected area under Category III of protection	35.5 ha were declared on 15 March 2023 as protected area under IUCN Category III protection, with a buffer area of 200m around the border of the protected area. The PA is called ‘Albanian tulip

	Nature Monument' according to the Albanian legislation on protected areas categories.
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b. Planned Short-term Impacts - 1 to 3 years (as stated in the approved proposal)

Impact Description	Impact Summary
At the end of the project (end of October 2023), the majority of stakeholders support the central protection for <i>Tulipa albanica</i> under Category III	All stakeholders supported the central protection of the <i>Tulipa albanica</i> area under Category III of protection throughout the project. Among them, the Ministry of Tourism and Environment, together with its agency, the National Agency for Protected Areas, the Municipality of Kukës, the Region of Kukës, the Prefecture of Kukës, the National Agency of Natural Resources (NANR) and the Albanian Geological Service (AGS), local and national NGOs, and local community of Kukës.

4. Were there any unexpected impacts (positive or negative)?

The process of declaring the *Tulipa albanica* habitat in Surroj, Kukës as a protected area under Category III of protection went much faster than foreseen within the initial implementation plan of the project, with the Ministry of Tourism and Environment accepting the proposal to declare the habitat a protected area within March 2023. Therefore, the rest of the project was dedicated to awareness raising activities on the new protected area.

PART II: Project Products/Deliverables

5. List each product/deliverable as stated in your approved proposal and describe the results for each of them:

#	Deliverable Description	Deliverable Update
1	Increased engagement and support of the main stakeholders for the proclamation of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> as a protected area under Category III of protection	By 31 October 2023, over 100 stakeholders supported orally and in written the process of declaring the <i>Tulipa albanica</i> habitat under Category III protection, and the Ministry of Tourism and Environment accelerated the process of proclamation by declaring the habitat a Nature Monument Category III, on 15 March 2023.
2	Increased support and awareness of the Albanian public for the protection of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> and importance of proclaiming the site a protected area Category III.	By 31 October 2023, over 200 stakeholders and public participated in the meetings and events organized by the project to increase the awareness of the stakeholders on the importance of safeguarding the <i>Tulipa albanica</i> and its habitat.

		<p>Following the awareness activities for the Albanian Tulip, in the meeting with the young people of Turgut Ozal High School Tirana, we discussed the journey of the Institute of Environmental Policy to achieve the declaration of this species as a Natural Monument. The young people received the message that by having support from the community, specialists and then local and central authorities as well as donors such as the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund, any challenge can be achieved for good(link: https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/736529571841227).</p> <p>A selected number of the online activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IEP used social media on the awareness activity for the tulip in Kukës, link:https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/725271572967027 2. IEP social media on activity in Kukës, link: https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/724085869752264 3. Vice Minister of Environment and Tourism Ms Almira Xhembulla social media https://www.facebook.com/almirazebixhembulla/posts/807323504734223 4. IEP gave an interview for Business Mag, one of the most followed media in Albania, link: https://businessmag.al/cili-eshte-fokusi-i-institutit-te-politikave-te-mjedisit-ne-tirane/?fbclid=IwAROR87-h-r-Uezg2HM39dt1lgYyHXuxk6yQKvhKgfCw1b52uDbhmksIAZO 5. IEP gave an interview to Co-PLAN Institute for Habitat Development on the National Activism Day Event speaking about Tulipa Albanica, link: https://www.facebook.com/CoPLANTirana/videos/185082997895627 6. IEP gave an interview for Klan Ks in regard of proclamation of <i>Tulipa</i>
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		<p><i>albanicasuteansnature</i> monument, link:https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/pfbid02foqwVgX9L5jkixvuiwRaEoyJ2464yKxrGM2AYGrfLbo2BiuSeYprJadu5HMirwppl</p> <p>7. IEP gave an interview for TVSH in regard of proclamation of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> site as nature monument, link: https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/pfbid02yV7HGKyLsDB1GDyJdnWRSvgBnZLM75KM4N5YQKoAvwQft7TFi5iw3jybrnnnvGSLI</p> <p>8. IEP gave an interview for RTK in regard of proclamation of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> site as nature monument, link: https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/pfbid0VMjGQ6e8K9XuHH61fSbGZ3gWJZDoeQAnJnymwCY74wzxPh7Ymz3QXsbg1nrAjvjl</p> <p>9. IEP gave an interview for TIBO TV in regard of proclamation of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> site as nature monument, link: https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/posts/pfbid02xb1u6tbw5Z91j8RWSw6nvootnbD831D5EUPdoEjuSUTCQh1hnJD56qGG5DZpnJsUl</p>

6. Please describe and submit any tools, products, or methodologies that resulted from this project or contributed to the results.

IEP prepared a documentary on the Tulipa Albanicain regard of proclamation of *Tulipa albanica* site as nature monument, link:

<https://www.facebook.com/Institute.for.Environmental.Policy/videos/1227212262005522/>

Promotional materials were also prepared:

- Photos of *Tulipa albanica* printed in canvas delivered to all authorities as a sign to let them remember of their engagement over this species protection.
- T-shirts and water thermos with printed pictures of *Tulipa albanica* on, delivered to stakeholders during the activities.

PART III: Lessons, Sustainability, Safeguards and Financing

Lessons Learned

7. Describe any lessons learned during the design and implementation of the project, as well as any related to organizational development and capacity building.

“Lessons learned” are experiences you have gained that you think would be valuable successes worth replicating or practices that you would do differently if you had the chance. Consider lessons that would inform project design and implementation, and any other lessons relevant to the conservation community. CEPF Lessons Learned Guidelines are available here: <https://www.cepf.net/sites/default/files/cepf-lessons-learned-guidelines-english.pdf>.

Local elections may interfere with pre scheduled activities and the organization must adapt to the new time frame. In this case IEP team maintained close communication with the contact point at the municipality of Kukës which led the team decides for the possible date of the event. It is difficult to attract youngsters to activities on nature conservation; therefore we rescheduled larger meetings with youngsters into smaller groups. Emigration abroad is also taking a toll on the number of youngsters who would be future conservationists. IEP team focused on the Ecoclub of Kukës High School and continuously forwarded to the youth the message in regard of responsibilities over the protection of *Tulipa albanica*.

Continuous dialogue and advocacy with the central government stakeholders, combined with the relationship that has been built during the years with the local stakeholders, made it possible that the more than 4 years of advocacy and engagement of IEP in pushing for the protection of the *Tulipa albanica* habitat, to secure a protected area in an area which is famous for numerous open mines. During this process, IEP not only learned and developed its advocacy skills, but also earned the trust of the local and central institutions, paving the way for further support to protect the species and the implementation of the action plan for its protection.

Sustainability / Replication

8. Summarize the success or challenges in ensuring the project will be sustained or replicated, including any unplanned activities that are likely to result in increased sustainability or replicability.

This project is the phase 2 and builds upon the activities implemented under the previous project “Conservation and propagation of the Albanian tulip”, that has already been funded by CEPF, Grant Number: CEPF-109942. The previous project achieved local protection of the site, but which was a limited protection because the mining permits are issued by the central government. The project achieved central protection of the area, thus legally guaranteeing the area from any development and disturbance that could threaten the species. The project built on the trust that was established between the Institute for Environmental Policy with Kukës Municipality, the National Agency for Protected Areas and with the Ministry of Tourism and Environment. This came as a result of more than 4 years of advocacy and trust building activities with the main stakeholders. Regional Agency for Protected Areas (RAPA) is now the authority set by the Albanian law to govern the new protected are.

Safeguards

- 9. If not listed as a separate Deliverable and described above, summarize the implementation of any required action related to social or environmental safeguards that your project may have triggered.**

A Process Framework for the establishment of this protected area was completed under the previous grant, CEPF-109942, when the preparatory and stakeholder work for this PA was implemented at local and national levels and the site was protected by the Municipality of Kukes. During this grant, CEPF-113774, IEP mainly facilitated the administrative procedures for strengthened protection at national level. No grievances were received during either of the two CEPF-funded projects. Please refer to the reports under CEPF-109942 for further details.

Additional Funding

N/A

- 10. Provide details of any additional funding that you have secured to support this project.**

a. Total additional funding (US\$)

b. Type of funding

Please provide a breakdown of additional funding (counterpart funding and in-kind) by source.

Donor	Type of Funding	Amount
IEP	Co-funding	USD 22.87

Additional Comments/Recommendations

- 11. Use this space to provide any further comments or recommendations in relation to your project or CEPF.**

Besides achieving legal protection, further work is needed to achieve realistic protection on the ground and attract youngsters into conservation and botany.

PART IV: Impact at Portfolio and Global Level

Contribution to Portfolio Indicators

- 12.** In order to measure the results of CEPF investment strategy at the hotspot level, CEPF uses a set of Portfolio Indicators which are presented in the Ecosystem Profile of each hotspot. Please list these below and report on the project's contribution(s) to them.

Indicator	Actual Numeric Contribution	Actual Contribution Description
2.0_Outcome 2_Number of hectares of KBAs with enhanced protection or management	35.5	Munella Mountain-Oroshi Mountain-Lura Lakes, (ALB 15), 35.5 ha locally protected, for more information see description below.
3.0_Outcome 3_Number of hectares of sites with new official protection status	35.5	Munella Mountain-Oroshi Mountain-Lura Lakes (ALB 15), 35.5 ha are actually under protection by the National Agency for Protected Areas, through the Regional Administration of Protected Areas of Kukës. These 35.5 ha are protected as a Natural Monument, Category III of protection.
4.5_Outcome 4_Number of locally endemic or highly threatened plant species for which improved knowledge is available	1	<i>Tulipa albanica</i> (endemic to Albania and locally CR). Climate, weather, natural and human factors have been observed, together with their impact on the species. All these data have been laid down in the Action Plan for the Conservation of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> . This species has been already counted in the previously funded project CEPF-109942.
4.6_Outcome 4_Number of KBAs for which information on plants is improved	1	ALB 15: Munella Mountain-Oroshi Mountain-Lura Lakes. The site of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> in Surroj is within the ALB15 KBA. However, other subpopulations of the species have been found out of the KBA, like the one in Has Municipality. This species has been already counted

		in the previously funded project CEPF-109942.
4.7_Outcome 4_Number of young professionals with substantial experience in plant conservation gained	2	Gentian Stafa from IEP: engaged firstly participating in habitat conservation meetings and then in other project steps by communicating technically with authorities for achieving the protection of the site. The environmental specialist from Kukës Municipality, Mr. Besart Halilaj, endorsed information forwarded from IEP team and engaged in the local activities in regard of <i>Tulipa albanica</i> .

Contribution to Global Indicators

Please report on all Global Indicators that pertain to your project.

13. Benefits to Individuals

13a. Number of men and women receiving structured training.

Report on the number of men and women that have benefited from structured training due to your project, such as financial management, beekeeping, horticulture, farming, biological surveys, or how to conduct a patrol.

N/A

# of men receiving structured training*	# of women receiving structured training*	Topic(s) of Training

**Please do not count the same person more than once. For example, if 5 men received structured training in beekeeping, and 3 of these also received structured training in project management, the total number of men who benefited from structured training should be 5.*

13b. Number of men and women receiving cash benefits.

Report on the number of men and women that had an increase in income or cash (monetary) benefits due to your project from activities such as tourism, handicraft production, increased farm output, increased fishery output, medicinal plant harvest, or payment for conducting patrols.

N/A

# of men receiving cash benefits*	# of women receiving cash benefits*	Description of Benefits

**Please do not count the same person more than once. For example, if 5 men received cash benefits due to tourism, and 3 of these also received cash benefits from increased income due to handicrafts, the total number of men who received cash benefits should be 5.*

14. Protected Areas

Number of hectares of protected areas created and/or expanded

Report on the number of hectares of protected areas that have been created or expanded as a result of your project. Protected areas may include private or community reserves, municipal or provincial parks, or other designations where biodiversity conservation is an official management goal.

Name of PA*	Country(s)	Original # of Hectares**	# of Hectares Newly Protected	Year of Legal Declaration/ Expansion	Longitude***	Latitude***
Tulipanishqi ptar/ Albanian tulip	Albania	0	35.5	15.03.2023	42.045421424 904795	20.3335028 96217553

** If possible please provide a shape file of the protected area to CEPF.*

*** Enter the original total size, excluding the results of your project. If the protected area was not existing before your project, then enter zero.*

**** Indicate the latitude and longitude of the center of the site, to the extent possible, or send a map or shapefile to CEPF. Give geographic coordinates in decimal degrees; latitudes in the Southern Hemisphere and longitudes in the Western Hemisphere should be denoted with a minus sign (example: Latitude 38.123456 Longitude: -77.123456). To obtain the latitude and longitude of your protected area, use googlemap, right click on the center of your protected area, and select "What's here?", and copy the latitude and longitude appearing in the popup window.*

15. Key Biodiversity Area Management

Number of hectares of Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) with improved management

Report on the number of hectares in KBAs with improved management, where tangible results have been achieved to support conservation, as a result of your project. Examples of improved management include, but are not restricted to: increased patrolling, reduced intensity of snaring, invasive species eradication, reduced incidence of fire, and introduction of sustainable agricultural/fisheries practices. Do not record the entire area covered by the project - only record the number of hectares that have improved management.

If you have recorded part or all of a KBA as newly protected for the indicator entitled “protected areas”, and you have also improved its management, you should record the relevant number of hectares for both this indicator and the “protected areas” indicator.

Name of KBA	KBA Code from Ecosystem Profile	# of Hectares Improved *
<i>Tulipani shqiptar</i> Monument Natyre	ALB15	Newly protected area within the KBA ALB is excluded from mining activities (in reference of the decision no. 154 dated 13.03.2023 “the natural monument has an area of 35.5 ha and a buffer zone of 200m around the border of the protected area in which the third level of protection is applied, the same as the strict reserve) and the Regional Agency for Protected Areas (RAPA) is engaged for the monitoring and protecting the site.

* Do not count the same hectares more than once. For example, if 500 hectares were improved due to implementation of a fire management regime in the first year, and 200 of these same 500 hectares were improved due to invasive species removal in the second year, the total number of hectares with improved management would be 500.

16. Production landscapes

Number of hectares of production landscape with strengthened management of biodiversity

Please report on the number of hectares of production landscapes with strengthened management of biodiversity, as a result of your project. A production landscape is defined as a landscape where commercial agriculture, forestry or natural product exploitation occurs.

- For an area to be considered as having "strengthened management of biodiversity," it can benefit from a wide range of interventions such as best practices and guidelines implemented, incentive schemes introduced, sites/products certified, and sustainable harvesting regulations introduced.
- Areas that are protected are not included under this indicator, because their hectares are counted elsewhere.
- A Production Landscape can include part or all of an unprotected KBA.

Name of Production Landscape*	# of Hectares with Strengthened Management**	Latitude***	Longitude***	Description of Intervention

** If the production landscape does not have a name, provide a brief descriptive name for the landscape.*

***Do not count the same hectares more than once. For example, if 500 hectares were strengthened due to certification in the first year, and 200 of these same 500 hectares were strengthened due to new harvesting regulations in the second year, the total number of hectares strengthened to date would be 500.*

**** Indicate the latitude and longitude of the center of the site, to the extent possible, or send a map or shapefile to CEPF. Give geographic coordinates in decimal degrees; latitudes in the Southern Hemisphere and longitudes in the Western Hemisphere should be denoted with a minus sign (example: Latitude 38.123456 Longitude: -77.123456). To obtain the latitude and longitude of your production landscape, use google map, right click on the center of your production landscape, and select "What's here?", and copy the latitude and longitude appearing in the popup window.*

N/A

17. Benefits to Communities

CEPF wants to record the non-cash benefits received by communities, which can differ to those received by individuals because the benefits are available to a group. CEPF also wants to record, to the extent possible, the number of people within each community who are benefiting. Please report on the characteristics of the communities, the type of benefits that have been received during the project, and the number of men/boys and women/girls from these communities that have benefited, as a result of your project. If exact numbers are not known, please provide an estimate.

Please provide information for all communities that have benefited from project start to project completion.

Name of Community	Community Characteristics (mark with x)							Country of Community	Type of Benefit (mark with x)								# of Beneficiaries		
	Small landowners	Subsistence economy	Indigenous/ ethnic peoples	Pastoralists / nomadic peoples	Recent migrants	Urban communities	Other*		Increased access to clean water	Increased food security	Increased access to energy	Increased access to public services (e.g. health care, education)	Increased resilience to climate change	Improved land tenure	Improved recognition of traditional	Improved representation and decision-making in governance forums/structures	Improved access to ecosystem services	# of men and boys benefiting	# of women and girls benefiting
Kukës						X		Albania									X	10000	10000

*If you marked "Other" to describe the community characteristic, please explain:

18. Policies, Laws and Regulations

Report on policies, laws and regulations with conservation provisions that have been enacted or amended, as a result of your project. “Policies” pertain to statements of intent formally adopted or pursued by a government, including at sectoral or sub-national level. “Laws and regulations” pertain to official rules or orders, prescribed by authority. Any law, regulation, decree or order is eligible to be included.

18a. Name, scope and topic of the policy, law or regulation that has been amended or enacted as a result of your project

No.	Name of Law, Policy or Regulation	Scope (mark with x)			Topic(s) addressed (mark with x)															
		Local	National	International	Agriculture	Climate	Ecosystem Management	Education	Energy	Fisheries	Forestry	Mining and Quarrying	Planning/Zoning	Pollution	Protected Areas	Species Protection	Tourism	Transportation	Wildlife Trade	Other*
1	Decision of the Council of Ministers, No. 154, date 13.03.2023 on Declaring the Albanian Tulip habitat a Nature Monument.		X											X						
2																				
...																				

* If you selected “other”, please give a brief description of the main topics addressed by the policy, law or regulation.

18b. For each law, policy or regulation listed above, please provide the requested information in accordance with its assigned number.

No.	Country(s)	Date enacted/ amended MM/DD/YYYY	Expected impact	Action that you performed to achieve this change
1	Albania	3/15/2023	Habitat received a protection akin to a strict reserve – all human activities that can threaten the species are forbidden. The protection prevents the use of land for other purposes, mining and other harmful activities are forbidden.	Advocacy and lobbying, sharing of data and information on <i>Tulipa albanica</i> , meetings, videos, postings, public events.
2				
3				

19. Biodiversity-friendly Practices

Number of companies that adopt biodiversity-friendly practices

Please list any companies that have adopted biodiversity-friendly practices as a result of your project. While companies take various forms, for the purposes of CEPF, a company is defined as a for-profit business entity. A biodiversity-friendly practice is one that conserves or uses natural resources in a sustainable manner.

No.	Name of Company	Description of biodiversity-friendly practice adopted during the project	Country(s) where the practice has been adopted by the company
1			
2			
...			

20. Networks & Partnerships

Number of networks and/or partnerships created and/or strengthened

Report on any networks or partnerships between and among civil society groups and other sectors that you have created or strengthened as a result of your project. Networks/partnerships should have some lasting benefit beyond immediate project implementation. Informal networks/partnerships are acceptable. Examples of networks/partnerships include: an alliance of fisherfolk to promote sustainable fisheries practices, a network of environmental journalists, a partnership between one or more NGOs with one or more private sector partners to improve biodiversity management on private lands, or a working group focusing on reptile conservation.

Do not list the partnerships you formed with others to implement this project, unless these partnerships will continue after your project ends.

No.	Name of Network / Partnership	Year established	Did your project establish this Network/ Partnership? Y/N	Country(s) covered	Purpose
1					
2					

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21. Sustainable Financing Mechanism

List any functioning sustainable financing mechanisms created or supported by your project. Sustainable financing mechanisms generate funding for the long-term (generally five or more years). These include, but are not limited to, conservation trust funds, debt-for-nature swaps, payment for ecosystem service (PES) schemes, and other revenue, fee or tax schemes that generate long-term funding for conservation. To be included, a mechanism must be delivering funds for conservation.

21a. Details about the mechanism

No.	Name of Financing Mechanism	Purpose of the Mechanism*	Date of Establishment**	Description***	Countries
1					
2					
3					

*Please provide a succinct description of the mission of the mechanism.

**Please indicate when the sustainable financing mechanism was officially created. If you do not know the exact date, provide a best estimate.

***Description, such as trust fund, endowment, PES scheme, incentive scheme, etc.

N/A

21b. Performance of the mechanism

For each Financing Mechanism listed previously, please provide the requested information in accordance with its assigned number.

NO.	Project intervention (mark with x)			Has the mechanism disbursed funds to conservation projects?
	Created a mechanism	Supported an existing mechanism	Created and supported a new mechanism	
1				
2				
3				

22. Red List Species

If the project included direct conservation interventions that benefited globally threatened species (CR, EN, VU), as per the IUCN Red List, add the species below.

Examples of interventions include: preparation or implementation of a conservation action plan, captive breeding programs, species habitat protection, species monitoring, patrolling to halt wildlife trafficking, and removal of invasive species.

Genus	Species	Common Name (Eng)	Status (VU, EN, CR or Extinct in the Wild)	Intervention	Population Trend at Site (increasing, decreasing, stable or unknown)
<i>Tulipa</i>	<i>Tulipa albanica</i>	Albanian Tulip	CR	Preparation and start of the implementation of a conservation action plan, species habitat protection, species monitoring, seed propagation.	Decreasing until 2020, a slight increase and stabilization has been observed during 2021-2022

Part V. Information Sharing and CEPF Policy

CEPF is committed to transparent operations and to helping civil society groups share experiences, lessons learned, and results. Final completion and impact reports are made available on our Web site, www.cepf.net, and publicized in our e-newsletter and other communications.

Provide the contact details of your organization (organization name and generic email address) so that interested parties can request further information about your project.

Organization Name: Institute for Environmental Policy

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