

Status Update
CEPF investment in the
Madagascar & the Indian Ocean Islands
Biodiversity Hotspot



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The CEPF programme in the Madagascar and the Indian Ocean Islands Biodiversity Hotspot is in its second year of implementation. Some of the programme's highlights so far are:

Several meetings with donors and partners have been held since June 2024 to ensure that CEPF investments are coordinated with other programmes in the country of intervention.

- . Meeting with AFD, UE, COI in Mauritius on June 2024 during the Supervision Mission (3rd to 13th June)
- Meeting between AFD and SAF FJKM on Friday 14 June 2024 at the SAF/FJKM office
- Online meeting between COI Mauritius, SAF FJKM and IUCN NL on Thursday 27 June 2024:
- · CCC members in Mauritius participated to join the site visits of 6 running projects in Mauritius
- . The CCC meeting on 12th of June in Mauritius, was attended by AFD, EU, UNDP GEF SGP and the Government of Japan
- . CCC meeting on 18 June, was attended in Madagascar by UE, USAID, CI, and NDA

We've launched 3 calls for large grants (> USD 50,000) and four calls for small grants (< USD 50,000), resulting in a total of 43 grants awarded, in addition to the Regional Implementation Team (RIT) grant, for a total value of USD 9,062,428. The CEPF and RIT team is still in the process of reviewing 9 Large Grants and 3 SG projects, which will increase the number of projects funded and the amount awarded.

Our last call for proposals for the investment phase for the period 2022 to 2027 was launched in August 2024 for the 4 intervention countries. We have received 46 applications for small grants and 73 applications for large grants. The RIT team is working on reviewing these Letters of Inquiries and the results of the pre-selection will be communicated by November 2024.

Upcoming milestones (exact dates to be confirmed):

- CCC meeting: End of October-November 2024
- Mid-Term Assessment of the investment: 6th to 9th May 2025 in Madagascar
- · Supervision mission Madagascar: May 2025



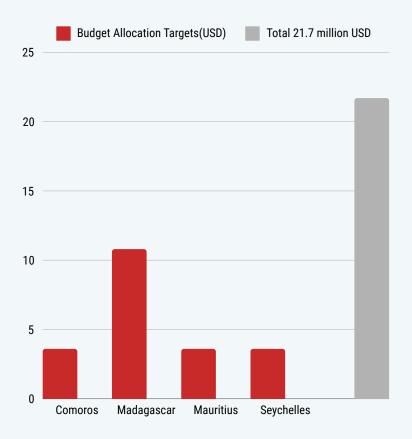
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Community meeting with Madagascar Fauna Flora Group near Betampona Reserve ® O. Langrand

Dashboard CEPF investment in the Madagascar & the Indian Ocean Islands Biodiversity Hotspot

Budget Allocation by Country July 2022 - June 2028



Strategic Direction	EU grant (USD) (excl. Zanzibar) October 2023 - June 2028	GCF grant (USD)July 2022- June 2027	Budget Allocation (USD)	Total (%)
Civil society is empowered to implement biodiversity conservation and climate change adaptation actions at priority KBAs	5.0 million	9.0 million	14.0 million	64%
2. Civil society has improved ability to support the integration of biodiversity and the Ecosystem based Adaptation (EbA) approach into political and economic decisions	0.4 million	0.8 million	1.3 million	6%
3. Civil society capacity to conserve biodiversity and enhance adaptation to climate change impacts is strengthened	0.6 million	1.2 million	1.8 million	8%
4. Research on ecosystems and EbA approaches is conducted, and results are disseminated	0.7 million	1.6 million	2.3 million	11%
5. Regional Implementation Team	0.8 million	1.5 million	2.3 million	11%
TOTAL	7.6 million	14.1 million	21.7 million	

CEPF investment in the Madagascar & the Indian Ocean Islands Biodiversity Hotspot so far:







Numbering CfP	Date	Countries	Strategic Direction (SD) and Investment Priority (IP)	Type of Subvention	Information Session Date
MADIO II - LG-01	November 15, 2022- December 23, 2022	Comoros,Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles	SD 1 IP 1.1/1.2	Large Grants	November 25, 2022
MADIO II - SG-01	November 15, 2022- February 2, 2023	Comoros,Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles	SD 1 IP 1.1/1.2 SD 3 IP 3.1	Small Grants	November 25, 2022
MADIO II - LG-02	June 6, 2023 - August 1, 2023	Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles	SD 3 IP 3.1/3.2 SD 4 IP 4.1	Large Grants	June 21 and 22, 2023
MADIO II - SG-03	August 15, 2023 - September 30, 2023	Mauritius	SD 1 IP 1.1	Small Grants	August 24, 2023
MADIO II - SG-04	September 12, 2023 - November 23, 2023	Madagascar	SD 1 IP 1.1	Small Grants	September 27, 2023
MADIO II - LG-05	March 8, 2024 - April 30, 2024	Comoros,Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles	SD 2 IP 2.1/2.2 SD 4 IP 4.2	Large Grants	March 21 and 22, 202
MADIO II - SG-06	April 1,2024 - May 13, 2024	Seychelles	SD 1 IP 1.1/1.2	Small Grants	April 11, 2024
MADIO II - SG-07	August 08, 2024 - September 13, 2024	Comoros,Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles	SD 1 IP 1.1/1.2	Small Grants	August 15-19-20- 22,2024
MADIO II - LG-08	August 08, 2024 - September 20, 2024	Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles	SD 1 IP 1.1/1.2	Large Grants	August 15-19-20- 22,2024





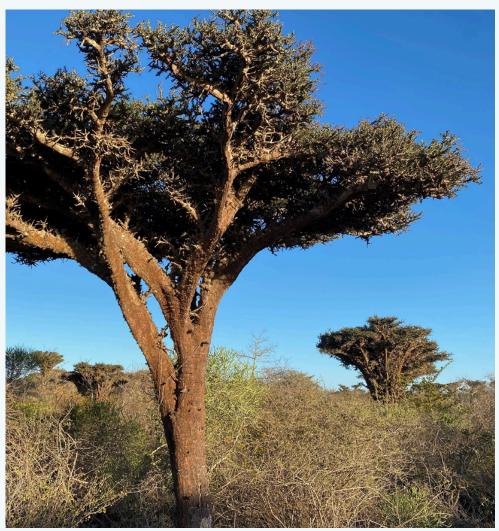
Photo left: Introduced Aldabra giant tortoise (*Aldabrachelys gigantea*) as a seed disperser at Ebony Forest, Mauritius © P.Poncelet Photo right: Ebony Forest's team, the RIT and Peggy Poncelet at Sublime viewpoint, Mauritius © P.Poncelet

arge Grants	Total		Com	Comoros Ma		Madagascar		Mauritius		nelles	Regi	onal
ol Received	192	100%	32	17%	103	54%	31	16%	12	6%	14	7%
ol Ineligible	17	9%	3	9%	9	9%	4	13%	0	0%	1	7%
ol Shortlisted	37	19%	3	9%	18	17%	5	16%	6	50%	5	36%
roposal Declined or Withdrawn	3	2%	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%	2	17%	0	0%
rant Contracted	23	12%	1	3%	12	12%	3	10%	3	25%	4	29%
rant Pending Contracting	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
rant with Category B Safeguard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
rant Closed*	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
mall Grants												
ol Received	188	100%	12	6%	146	78%	22	12%	8	4%	0	0%
ol Ineligible	51	27%	7	58%	33	23%	8	36%	3	38%	0	0%
ol Shortlisted	28	15%	3	25%	14	10%	6	27%	5	63%	0	0%
roposal Declined or Withdrawn	4	2%	0	0%	2	1%	1	5%	1	13%	0	0%
rant Contracted	20	11%	3	25%	12	8%	4	18%	1	13%	0	0%
rant Pending Contracting	3	2%	0	0%	0	0%	1	4%	2	15%	0	0%
rant with Category B Safeguard	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%	1	4%	2	15%	0	0%
Frant Closed*	0	0%	/	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

* of the total grant Contracted

Call for letter of Inquiry currently being reviewed and selected	i											
LG-07 August 08, 2024 - September 20, 2024												
Large Grants	Tot	al	Com	oros	Mad	agascar	Mau	ritius	Seych	elles	Regio	nal
Lol Received	73	100%	6	8%	58	79%	4	5%	5	7%	0	0%
Lol Ineligible	6	8%	1	17%	5	9%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0
Lol Shortlisted	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0
Proposal Declined or Withdrawn	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0
Grant Contracted	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0
Grant Pending Contracting	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0
Grant with Category B Safeguard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0
SG-08 August 08, 2024 - September 13, 2024												
Small grants	Tot	al	Com	oros	Mada	ngascar	Maı	uritius	Se	ychelles	Regi	ional
Lol Received	48	100%	18	38%	26	54%	2	4%	0	0%	2	4%
Lol Ineligible	6	13%	4	22%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	2	100%
Lol Shortlisted	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Proposal Declined or Withdrawn	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Grant Contracted	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Grant Pending Contracting	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Grant with Category B Safeguard	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Grant Closed*	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%



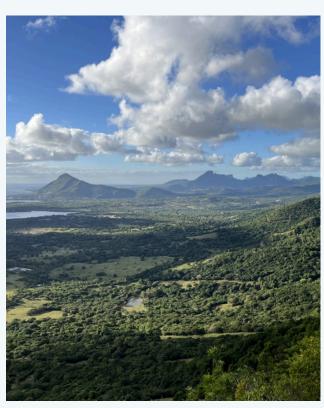


Left photo: Ferney's nursery with endemic plants at Ferney Valley, Mauritius © P.Poncelet Right photo: *Alluaudia comosa* Madagascar © O. Langrand

Strategic Direction	Budget Allocation (USD)	Contracted Large Grants (USD)	Contracted Small Grants (USD)	Total (%)	Budget Balance, incl. shortlisted
Civil society is empowered to implement biodiversity conservation and climate change adaptation actions at priority KBAs	14 000 000	3 755 581 (0)	784 292 (149 578)	33%	9310548
2. Civil society has improved ability to support the integration of biodiversity and the Ecosystem based Adaptation (EbA) approach into political and economic decisions	1 270 000	0 (1 177 419)	0 (0)	93%	92 581
3. Civil society capacity to conserve biodiversity andenhance adaptation to climate change impacts is strengthened	1 780 000	1380275 (515505)	96 085 (0)	112%	-211 866
4. Research on ecosystems and EbA approaches is conducted, and results are disseminated	2 340 000	697 247 (840 512)	49121 (0)	68%	753120
5. Regional Implementation Team	2 300 000	2 299 826	-	100%	174
	21 690 000	8 132 930 (2 533 436)	929 498 (149 578)	54%	9 944 557

Amount of Contracted Grants per Country (Amount of Short	Amount of Contracted Grants per Country (Amount of Shortlisted LoI with Proposals under Review)											
Country	Budget Allocation (USD)	Contracted Large Grants (USD)	Contracted Small Grants (USD)	Total (%)	Budget Balance, incl. shortlisted							
Madagascar	10 845 000	2873 489 (1770 083)	532026 (0)	48%	5 669 403							
Comoros	3 615 000	648 602 (201 354)	148 717 (0)	28%	2616328							
Mauritius	3 615 000	1032 322 (201 354)	199 522 (49 976)	41%	2131827							
Seychelles	3 615 000	780 553 (300 000)	49 235 (99 602)	34%	2385610							
Regional	0	3195 436 (0)	0 (0)	0%	-3195436							





Left photo: Women empowered with organic agroforestry at Ferney Valley, Mauritius © P.Poncelet Right photo: Sublime viewpoint at Ebony Forest, Mauritius © P.Poncelet

	Contributions of Active Grants towards CEPF Indicators (And expected Contribution of Proposals under Revio				
Strategic Direction	Short term impacts indicators	Target value	Expected Contribution	Expected Contribution under review	Achieved %
	Number of CSOs involved in conservation actions of the ecosystem profile. Nombre d'OCS participant activement aux actions de conservation guidées par le profil d'écosystème.	60	303	60	605%
	Number of men benefiting from climate-resilient livelihood activities. Nombre d'hommes bénéficiant de l'adoption de moyens de subsistance diversifiés et résilients au climat.	22 000	6316	0	29%
	Number of women benefiting from climate-resilient livelihood activities. Nombre de femmes bénéficiant de l'adoption de moyens de subsistance diversifiés et résilients au climat.	22 000	7155	0	33%
	Number of hectares of ecosystems protected and enhanced in response to climate variability and change. Nombre d'hectares d'écosystèmes protégés et renforcés en réponse à la variabilité et au changement climatique.	915000	159660	1390	18%
	Number of grants in the CEPF global portfolio incorporating EbA techniques from MADIO II. Nombre de subventions du portefeuille mondial du CEPF intègrant les techniques AfE développées dans le cadre de MADIO II.	5	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
SD1	Number of men with increased income from ecosystem-based livelihood activities.	16 500	5800	0	35%
	Number of women with increased income from ecosystem-based livelihood activities.	16500	6 680	0	40%
	Number of men with non-monetary benefits, excluding training, from strengthened ecosystem service delivery	152 500	118104	500	78%
	Number of women with non-monetary benefits, excl. training, from strengthened ecosystem service delivery.	152 500	117 462	500	77%
	Number of economic models improving resilience of local communities to climate change.	20	18	0	90%
	Number of hectares of intact coastal ecosystems with enhanced management.	610 000	57 453	0	9%
	Number of hectares of intact watershed forest ecosystems with enhanced management.	300 000	97 232	1390	33%
	Number of hectares of degraded coastal ecosystems restored.	2000	1067	0	53%
	Number of hectares of degraded watershed forest ecosystems restored.	1000	2750	0	275%
	Number of hectares with climate-resilient agroforestry systems.	1000	745	0	74%
	Number of hectares of small island ecosystems with less or no invasive alien species.	1000	413	0	41%
SD2	Number of public, private and/or CSO actors adopting KBAs as priorities for EbA.	6	16	16	533%
	Number of "communities", public and/or private institutions using new EbA tools, techniques and/or instruments.	12	131	19	1250%
	Number of strategies engaging private actors to mainstream EbA into their practices.	2	7	1	400%
	Numberof knowledge products on ecosystem services and/or EbA.	3	39	5	1467%
SD3	Number of men from local CSOs with increased capacity.	5 5 0 0	4248	624	89%
	Number of women from local CSOs with increased capacity.	5 500	4173	600	87%
	Number of local CSOs with a Civil Society Tracking Tool score of 80 percent or higher.	12	75	3	650%
	Number of CSO national or regional training courses and/or exchange visits.	7	105	31	1943%
SD4	Number of researches on the role of ecosystems in climate change adaptation and the effectiveness of EbA actions.	2	4	0	200%
	Number of researches measuring and verifying the impact of the grants on ecosystem services.	2	0	2	100%
	Number of public awareness and education events on biodiversity, conservation, resilience, ecosystem services and EbA.	2	17	0	850%
SD5	Number of projects receive CEPF funding in the hotspot.	95	43	24	71%
	Number of CSOs with CEPF funding in the hotspot. Nombre d'OSC avec un financement du	60	40	1	68%
	CEPF dans le hotspot.				

KBA Code	English name	Number of
00111		Project
COM1	Moya forest	2
COM4	La Grille mountains	2
COM5	Karthala mountains	3
COM7	Mount Ntringui (Ndzuani highlands)	2
COM8	Mohéli Marine Park	0
COM12	Bimbini area and La Selle islet	1
COM14	Domoni area	0
COM16	Moya area	1
COM19	Pomoni area	1
COM20	Coelacanth area	1
MDG11	Tsinjoriake-Andatabo	2
MDG28	Belalanda	2
MDG34	Three Bays Complex	3
MDG46	Toliary Great Reef	2
MDG54	Lake Tseny	2
MDG57	Makay	0
MDG67	Amoron'i Onilahy and Onilahy River	5
MDG71	Analalava Special Reserve	1
MDG73	Analavelona	0
MDG89	Mahafaly Plateau Forest Complex	0
MDG90	Lake Ihotry - Mangoky Delta Complex	4
MDG92	Mangoky-Ankazoabo Complex	0
MDG95	Ambositra-Vondrozo Corridor	2
MDG96	Ankeniheny-Zahamena Corridor	1
MDG98	Analamay-Mantadia Forest Corridor	1
MDG99	Forest Corridor Fandriana -Marolambo National Park	2
MDG107	Vohibola Classified Forest	0
MDG111	Sahafina Forest (Anivorano-Brickaville)	0
MDG129	Vohibe Ambalabe (Vatomandry)	1
MDG131	Nosivolo Wetlands	0
MDG153	Ranomafana National Park	0
MDG155	Zombitse-Vohibasia National Park and extension	0
MDG164	Betampona Strict Nature Reserve	2
MDG175	Beza-Mahafaly Special Reserve	1
MDG179	Mangerivola Special Reserve	0
MDG187	Pic d'Ivohibe Special Reserve	0
MDG199	Mangoro-Rianila Rivers	0
MDG200	Namorona-Faraony River	1
MDG217	Faraony Headwaters	0
MDG230	Nosivolo River and Tributaries Ramsar Site	0

Active Gran	its per CEPF Priority Key Biodiversity Area (KBA) (03.05.20	24)
KBA Code	English name	Number of Project
MUS2	Bamboo Mountain Range	3
MUS3	Chamarel - Le Morne	3
MUS5	Relict Forests of the Central Plateau	3
MUS6	Rodrigues' Islets	0
MUS8	Mauritius Island's South-Eastern Islets	2
MUS11	Corps de Garde Mountain	1
MUS12	Black River Gorges National Park and surrounding areas	4
MUS14	Plaine des Roches - Bras d'Eau	1
MUS16	South Slopes of Grande Montagne	0
MUS17	Yemen-Takamaka	1
SYC3	Astove	0
SYC5	Cosmoledo	2
SYC6	Farquhar - South Island and islets	0
SYC9	Fond Ferdinand	0
SYC15	Bird Island (Ile aux Vaches)	0
SYC18	Curieuse Island	0
SYC19	D'Arros Island and Saint Joseph Atoll	0
SYC20	Denis Island	0
SYC32	Saint-François and Bijoutier Islands	0
SYC36	Burnt Mountain-Piton de l'Eboulis	0
SYC38	Planneau Mountain (Grand Bois-Varigault-Cascade)	0
SYC41	Praslin National Park	0
SYC42	Silhouette National Park	0
SYC43	Morne Seychellois National Park	0
SYC46	Curieuse Island Marine National Park	2
SYC47	Port Launay Marine National Park and Coastal Wetlands	1
SYC48	Sainte-Anne Marine National Park	2
SYC50	Aldabra Special Reserve	1
SYC51	Aride Island Special Reserve	0
SYC52	Cousin Island Special Reserve	1





Name organization	Project Title	Туре	Amount \$	Start Date	End Date	Description
Acting for Communities and Trees	Enhancing Ecosystem- based Adaptation in the Ambodivoasary Natural Reserve	Large Grant	\$247 572.61	01/10/2023	31/12/2026	Enhance the climate resilience of the ecosystems and local community at Ambodivoasary Natural Reserve by: enhancing community management of intact watershed forest; restoring degraded forest ecosystems, while generating long-term income from the production of native seedlings; developing climate-smart agriculture and agroforestry; and promoting the development of community-based ecotourism to ensure sustainable funding for forest ecosystem conservation activities.
Acting for Communities and Trees	Analysis of Ecosystem Services Provided by Amoron'i Onilahy, Madagascar	Large Grant	\$199 966.19	01/05/2024	31/12/2026	Analyze how wetland management measures, in particular Ecosystem-based Adaptation, can minimize the negative impacts of climate change on ecosystem services, in particular water-related services, while supporting the livelihoods of ecosystem-dependent communities in Amoron'i Onilahy Protected Area. Develop more resilient management approaches by integrated Ecosystem-based Adaptation strategies and elaborating an adaptation plan for integrated water resource management.
Arboretum d'Antsokay	Advancing collaborative forest restoration and protection in Amoron'I Onilahy Area	Large Grant	\$188 920.00	01/12/2023	30/11/2026	Halt deforestation and erosion of Amoron'i Onilahy Protected Area by engaging local conservation areas managers in ecosystem-based adaptation (protection and restoration of forest habitats), empowering and strengthening their local governance with the development of public-private alliance/partnership and promoting good farming practices/transition to address forest exploitation.
Association Ny Tanintsika	Community Empowerment for Climate Resilience in Ankarinoro, Madagascar	Small Grant	\$49 969.00	01/07/2023	30/06/2025	Undertake an initiative to empower rural communities in Ankarinoro, Madagascar. Assess the strengths of Community-Based Forest Management Associations and design action plans while simultaneously restoring lands through reforestation and agroforestry, supporting coffee and rice cultivation. Emphasize community engagement, particularly involving women, to enhance climate resilience in Madagascar.
Association Ny Tanintsika	Building Community-led Climate Resilience in Ambositra-Vondrozo Corridor, Madagascar	Large Grant	\$206 984.68	01/10/2023	30/06/2026	Improve governance of Ambositra-Vondrozo Corridor for climate resilience via effective community involvement, strengthening of local-level forest management structures and enforcement of forest legislation. Draw-up land-use plans to reforest and restore zones, particularly key watersheds. Engage youth through inspirational agroforestry plots to trigger widespread adoption of climate-smart techniques and through ecological and forest monitoring.
Association PARTAGE	Promoting a System of Payments for Ecosystem Services in the Fandriana Marolambo Forest, Madagascar	Small Grant	\$31 155.00	01/07/2023	30/06/2025	Develop a pilot site for a payment for ecosystem services scheme to encourage small groups of self-governing farmers to plant trees and show environmental leadership. Restore degraded land and reduce pressure on the natural forests of the Fandriana-Marolambo Forest Corridor, while testing this innovative and proven sustainable development model in Madagascar. Community quantifiers will be paid to monitor the trees planted and the new sustainable agricultural practices that promote biodiversity.
Association pour le Développement de l'Energie Solaire Suisse- Madagascar	Communities Restoring Watershed Forest Ecosystems in Southwestern Madagascar	Large Grant	\$271 544.80	01/07/2023	31/10/2026	Reduce the vulnerability of the populations of southwestern coast of Madagascar to the risks of climate change by conserving and restoring the forest ecosystem of the lower Onilahy basin. Improve the livelihoods of communities and, among communities and civil society organizations, promote understanding of the importance of healthy forest ecosystems in the face of climate change.



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Association"les Amis de Nyoumbadjou- Djoumoichongo	Preservation of Ecosystems in Karthala, Comoros	Small Grant	\$49 662.61	01/07/2023	28/02/2025	Strengthen the capacity of the Nyoumbadjou forest reserve, located in the center of the Nyoumbadjou forest on the slope of its crater, by reducing the vulnerability of farmers through training on good agricultural practices adapted to climate change. Implement reforestation plans for endemic plants with fertilizing and CO2-fixing capacity to promote the protection of the forest ecosystem and agricultural practices resilient to climate change.
BEE Comores	Improving Sustainable Management of Coastal and Terrestrial Ecosystems in Comoros	Small Grant	\$49 121.00	01/07/2023	31/12/2024	Assess the health of natural habitats and propose participatory management strategies for the protection and conservation of endemic biodiversity and ecosystems, e.g. inventory of invasive species, identification of degraded areas and priority trees for reforestation and the mapping of restoration areas. Train academics and disseminate best practice solutions.
BERI	Building capacity in Seychelles to advance marine monitoring and ecosystem management to increase climate resilience	Small Grant	\$49 234.50	01/07/2023	30/06/2026	The aim of this project is to develop an ocean observation and marine monitoring and ecosystem management framework in five marine protected areas around the coasts of Mahe - Seychelles. Conducting an in-depth research into the ecosystems status of these identified protected areas, and provide mitigating and management approaches where needed. The grantee aims to also build long term national capacity by providing training and establishing a network of students and research organizations to develop sustainable ocean observation and monitoring system for priority areas.
Cap Business Océan Indien	Strengthenig Private Sector Engagement in Ecosystem Based Adaption	Large Grant	\$150 040.00	01/07/2024	31/10/2026	Enhance private sector's capacity in designing, implementing, and supervising Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) initiatives. Carry out a regional assessment of current EbA practices and engagement status of the private sector in the four hotspot countries to develop training contents, and foster collaboration between private sector and researchers through networking, communication and knowledge exchange.
Conservation Centree sur la Communaute C3 Madagascar	Building Resilience for Climate Change Impacts in Three Bays Key Biodiversity Area	Large Grant	\$216 127.35	01/01/2024	31/12/2026	Carry out baseline biodiversity surveys to inform conservation strategies and a management plan for Three Bays Key Biodiversity Area. Promote sustainable fishing practices and improved processing and marketing techniques. Restore mangrove and develop a community-led management plan to safeguard the ecological integrity of the site while promoting sustainable resource use. Raise awareness on the importance of protected areas and their role in building resilience to climate change impacts.
Dahari	A Climate-Resilient Community-Based Reef Conservation Model for the Comoros	Large Grant	\$499 885.48	01/07/2023	31/12/2025	Refine a community-based marine conservation model in Pomoni and Moya Key Biodiversity Areas on the island of Anjouan in the Comoros to support the resilience of populations and ecosystems to climate change. Establish a locally managed marine area by building the management capacity of fishermen's and fisherwomen's associations while proving alternative economic incentives to improve their livelihoods and ensure the sustainability of the model.
Ebony Forest Ltd	Restoring Degraded Native Forest in Mauritius	Large Grant	\$272 071.00	01/12/2023	31/12/2026	Restore a total of 21 hectares of degraded watershed forest at Ebony Forest Chamarel (Chamarel Le Morne Key Biodiversity Area) and Vallée De L'Est (Bambou Range Key Biodiversity Area) in Mauritius by controlling invasive alien plants and animals. Improve ecosystem resilience to climate change by reinstating missing species interactions, such as seed dispersal and grazing.
Ebony Forest Ltd	Strengthenig Civil Society Organizations' Capacities to Implement Ecosystem- based Adaptation	Large Grant	\$136 556.14	01/06/2024	31/12/2026	Address the lack of technical, administrative, financial and operational capacity to implement ecosystem-based adaptation practices (EbA) among Mauritian civil society organizations (CSOs). Raise awareness among the private sector and the general public of the need for EbA to mitigate climate change. Share and build technical capacity to control invasive alien predators, reintroduce birds and restore forest with CSOs from hotspot countries.



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Eco-Sud	Community-Driven Coral Restoration and Ecosystem Monitoring in The Southeastern Islets Of Mauritius	Small Grant	\$49 993.00	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	The project aims to address coral reef degradation and coastal erosion exacerbated by climate change and sea-level rise. Over 24 months, the project will implement Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) strategies, engaging local communities in coral farming and erosion mitigation efforts. This approach seeks to enhance ecological and socio-economic resilience by restoring coral ecosystems, fortifying natural coastal barriers, and providing sustainable livelihood opportunities for the local population.
Ecosystem Restoration Alliance Indian Ocean	Embracing Ecosystem- based Adaptation for a Sustainable Future in Mauritius	Large Grant	\$276 707.00	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Test various restoration techniques to evaluate their effectiveness. Critically assess the cost-effectiveness and environmental impact of herbicide. Evaluate the effects of invasive animals. Compare natural and assisted restoration methods in different habitat types. Explore the viability of agroforestry, including with the promotion of medicinal trees, for erosion control, shade provision, and water retention. Analyze and publish results, including to influence policies on restoration and agroforestry.
Ferney Ltd	Building Climate Resilience in the Nyon River Watershed, Ferney, Mauritius	Large Grant	\$284 022.72	01/08/2023	31/07/2026	Facilitate natural regeneration of watershed forests and riparian areas through an integrated, ecosystem-based approach. Eliminate invasive alien species, plant selected native pioneer and post-pioneer species and fence off areas. Promote sustainable land management and support resilient livelihoods through climate-smart agriculture and agroforestry and by communicating and sharing knowledge on these topics.
Indian Ocean Tortoise Alliance	Eradication of Black Rats from Curieuse Island, Seychelles	Large Grant	\$149 928.15	01/12/2023	30/11/2025	Eradicate all black rats (<i>Rattus rattus</i>) from Curieuse Island in Curieuse Marine National Park using an array of self-resetting traps, camera traps, a detector dog and thermal imaging drone in a dynamic rat-free mainland island approach, with associated monitoring, permanent biosecurity and significant educational component for park rangers and the local population.
Initiative pour une alternative citoyenne	Strengthening the Climate Resilience of Farmers in the Hapimba Forest Zone, Comoros	Small Grant	\$49 933.00	01/07/2023	31/12/2024	Strengthen the seed multiplication capacities of efficient food and market gardening crops, as well as forest and fruit tree seedlings, in an approach to creating a value chain and preserving the habitats of endemic fauna in danger, particularly Livingstone's fruit bat and Anjouan scops owl from the Hapimba forest zone of Mont Ntringui National Park.
Institut et Observatoire de Géophysique d'Antananarivo (IOGA)	Comptabilité Ecosystémique du Capital Naturel pour une Adaptation fondée sur les Ecosystèmes à Madagascar et aux Comores	Large Grant	\$220 574.19	01/06/2024	31/12/2026	Apply the Enabling a Natural Capital Approach in Boeny (Madagascar) and Grande Comore (Comoros) to help improve environmental management. Establish and interpret ecosystem accounts to highlight ecosystem services. Propose best-fit ecosystem-based adaptations. Train public services and private organizations in the environmental sector in ecosystem accounts. Disseminate information to regional and national decision makers.
Institut Halieutique et des Sciences Marines	Seagrass restoration of the great reef of Toliara, Madagascar.	Small Grant	\$49 900.00	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Conserve the biodiversity specific to and associated with the seagrass beds of the great reef of Toliara by restoring degraded and recently silted-up areas with local communities. To train local communities and raise their awareness of bio-ecological restoration monitoring and the ecosystem services provided by seagrass beds. Reduce pressure from small-scale fishing and fix sediments in seagrass beds.
Island Biodiversity & Conservation	Building Ecosystem Resilience by Rehabilitating Ste Anne Marine National Park Islands	Large Grant	\$279 990.12	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Control and eradicate invasive species present in Sainte-Anne Marine National Park and reintroduce populations of giant tortoise and endemic plants to enhance ecosystems' resilience to climate change. Support the cleaning of turtle nesting beaches, and relocate turtle nests threatened by beach degradation. Establish a permanent conservation team to ensure the application of long-term biosecurity measures and the evaluation of progresses and performances of these activities.



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Madagascar Action Development	Climate Change Adaptation of Marine and Coastal Ecosystems in Northern Madagascar	Small Grant	\$49 873.13	01/07/2023	30/07/2025	Develop a strategy to improve the resilience of marine and coastal ecosystems and the local community to climate change in the far north of Madagascar, with a focus on mangroves, threatened species and communities vulnerable to climate change. Development activities will be linked to the livelihoods of local populations and will incorporate the agroforestry system, which aims to protect and fertilize the soil, diversify farmers' production and set up resilience funds to provide savings loans.
Madagascar Fauna and Flora Group	Building Community Capacity for Climate Resilience Around Betampona Reserve, Madagascar	Large Grant	\$441 933.07	01/07/2023	31/12/2026	Empower local communities to carry out a complementary combination of ecosystem-based adaptations, namely native forest restoration and agroforestry, to increase the buffer zone and remaining forest fragments around the Betampona Integral Nature Reserve for protection against climate change-related cyclones, tropical storms and wildfires.
Madagasikara Voakajy	Reducing vulnerability to climate change in Lake Tseny	Large Grant	\$246 207.50	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Alleviate negative impacts of climate change by conserving wetland through preservation (patrolling, fire management) and restoring the integrity of Lake Tseny (KBA MDG-054) and its catchment (about 24,000ha) for people and wildlife's benefits. Enable local communities, to whom the management of the lake has been transferred since October 2022, to perform their roles and responsibilities.
Malagasy teknisiana mivondrona ho Aro sy TEzan'i Zahamena ary ny Ala Atsinanana	Support for Communities Around Betampona, Madagascar, Through Climate Adaptation Initiatives	Small Grant	\$49 830.00	01/09/2023	31/08/2025	Implement in and around the Betampona Integral Nature Reserve the restoration of degraded forest ecosystems, the removal of invasive species, the promotion of resilient agroforestry and the strengthening of the technical and financial capacity of the grassroots community around the reserve.
Maliasili Initiatives, Inc.	Driving Malagasy Leadership and Organizational Growth to Deliver Meaningful Ecosystem-based Adaptation	Large Grant	\$200 000.98	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	Strengthen ten Malagasy conservation organizations through a two-pronged capacity building program of Organizational Development (OD) to enhance their conservation impacts and of Leadership Development to produce a generation of ecosystem-based adaptation leaders. Facilitate peer learning exchanges and webinars to share lessons on agroforestry for climate change adaptation that expands the knowledge base and tools for community-based engagement.
MAMPITA	Fire-proofing Analalava Forest, Madagascar.	Small Grant	\$49 849.00	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Protect and restore Analalava forest to its natural integrity and structure. In this condition, it will best resist wildfire penetration. The project will launch reconstructive restoration by continuing to propagate native trees to reduce the risk of fires penetrating the compromised forest (thereby setting-back recovery) by removing Alien Invasive Pyrophile species and by maintaining the encircling firebreak
MIANTSOROKA	Ambondrolava mangrove conservation and restoration project managed by VOI Mamelo Honko: establishment of nurseries and reforestation of 20ha Rural Municipality of: Belalanda	Small Grant	\$49 925.00	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	VOI MAMELO HONKO takes up the challenge of reforesting more than 20 ha in two years as a loyal commitment by setting up permanent nurseries, by eliminating invasive plants (rogno) to expand the space for reed cultivation (Typha augustifolia) by up to 30 ha with a view to promoting IGA for women. Further strengthen the VOI to provide them with expertise capacity.



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Miarakap	Capacity Building for Mitsiry Biodiversity and Climate Fund Pipeline	Large Grant	\$249 261.07	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	Strengthen the capacity of 7 Small and Medium Enterprises and 23 start-ups through: • mentoring and technical assistance on biodiversity conservation and ecosystem-based adaptation. • partnerships with the right civil society organizations or public institutions in the environmental field. • collaboration among each other. • strong, clear and compelling impact strategy and theory of change. • institutional and managerial support to implement their strategy,optimize their business model and fundraise.
MIHARI Network	Improving Climate Resilience of Coastal Communities on Madagascar's Western Coast	Large Grant	\$255 976.98	01/07/2024	31/12/2026	Build capacity of 300 leaders from 150 Locally Managed Marine Areas in organizational management, ecosystem-based adaptation, including good governance of marine resources and sustainable management of coastal ecosystems, and advocacy, based on an assessment of their impacts on human wellbeing and ecosystem health, and their vulnerability to climate change. Organize four intra-landscape, two inter-landscape and one inter-hotspot exchange visits for knowledge-sharing and peer-to-peer learning on climate change adaptation and risk reduction.
Missouri Botanical Garden	Promoting Agroforestry to Safeguard Vohibe Forest's Biodiversity, Madagascar	Small Grant	\$49 948.00	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Project which aims to reduce the practice of slash-and- burn cultivation, the main threat to forest biodiversity. Our strategies are: to promote agroforestry, by creating demonstration plots and supporting pilot farmers around the Vohibe forest, to avoid the extension of new clearings and to improve the habitat and the ecosystem through the restoration of degraded parts.
Money for Madagascar	Empowering Grassroots Community Organizations as Natural Resource Managers in Madagascar	Small Grant	\$49 814.00	01/07/2023	31/12/2024	Contribute to the organizational development of nineteen community-based organizations and land managers through the training of young men and women from local communities to become providers of advisory services on agroecological farming practices so as to build livelihood resilience, and in turn improve the governance of community organizations in the management of three Key Biodiversity Areas: Amoron'i Onilahy, Complexe Lac Ihotry and Tsinjoarivo.
NATIR	Combining Reforestation in Mauritius With Preventive Healthcare and Social Reintegration	Small Grant	\$49 998.80	01/07/2023	30/06/2026	Conduct a 3-year forest restoration program at Plaine Sophie in Mauritius in partnership with the Forestry Services, with the aim of planting 36,000 woody native seedlings and 36,000 ferns. Partner with a nongovernmental organization dedicated to sensitization on Human Immunodeficiency Virus, who will provide manpower for weeding and planting under a pay-as-youwork program designed to support inmates reintegration into society.
Nature Technics Ltd	Promoting resilient agroforestry and developing nature-based solutions for climate-smart agriculture.	Small Grant	\$49 596.00	01/04/2024	31/03/2026	The project aims to combat two primary threats to biodiversity and soil health: excessive chemical fertilizer usage and ineffective waste management, both contributors to greenhouse gas emissions. It proposes integrated nutrient production, fostering soil fertility while reducing reliance on chemical fertilizers. Additionally, it entails capacity building for local communities, establishment of organic agro-forestry farms, and support for sustainable agricultural practices to mitigate environmental degradation and promote biodiversity conservation
PAT'S NATURE FARM	Showcasing Reconversion of Abandoned Land Through Agroecology in Mauritius	Small Grant	\$49,933.00	01/09/2023	30/08/2025	Rehabilitate two abandoned plots of land using an agroecological approach. At Chamouny, ancient relic forest land, rendered flood prone after sugarcane planting and abandoned to invasive plants, will be reconverted with a mix of fruit trees and native plants. At Camp Caval site, abandoned agricultural land will be rehabilitated via an agroforestry model for vegetable production.



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Seychelles Islands Foundation	Understanding Invasive Alien Species Eradication as a Nature- based Solution for Aldabra Island, Seychelles	Large Grant	\$301 400.00	01/01/2024	31/12/2026	Conduct thorough research to inform planning for the eradication of invasive alien species from Aldabra Atoll, a World Heritage Site in Seychelles. Enable this step and promote the Aldabra eradication as the second-largest eradication of rats on a tropical island worldwide and as a critical nature-based solution to boost ecosystembased adaptation to climate change.
TAFO MIHAAVO	Empowering Local Organizations for Sustainable Forest Governance in Madagascar	Small Grant	\$46 271.00	01/10/2023	31/03/2026	Undertake capacity building for ten local natural resource management organizations, promoting sustainable governance in peripheral communities of the Fandriana Vondrozo Forest Corridor. The project's primary goal is to prevent internal forest migration by updating the Management Plan and enforcing internal regulations. Income generating activities (IGA), including rice cultivation, beekeeping, and fish farming, will accompany these efforts, benefitting 1,800 individuals.
TAHIRISOA DEVELOPPEMENT	Eradication de l'Opentia Sp et reboisement d'Euphorbia stenoclada	Small Grant	\$49 990.00	01/04/2024	31/05/2025	The project consists of improving the resilience of habitats in the Beza Mahafaly MDG 175 special reserve located 35 km from Betioky south, in in the Atsimo Andrefana region of Madagascar. The main activities are the eradication of 20ha of opentia and the reforestation of 10ha of forage plants. The work is entrusted to local communities made up of 200 women and 200 men, so that they benefit from additional income.
Tahosoa Alandriake Mitambatse Ianantsono Andatabo	Revitalizing Community Conservation Around the Tsinjoriake Protected Area in Madagascar	Small Grant	\$5 500.00	01/09/2023	31/01/2024	Provide communities and civil society, members and partners of the TAMIA Association, with the capacities and means for the conservation of priority habitats and species in the Tsinjoriake Key Biodiversity Area and to implement actions aimed at improving the resilience of species, ecosystems and human populations to climate change.
The Aspinall Foundation	Developing Climate Change Resilience in Rural Community Protected Area Management, Madagascar	Large Grant	\$148 993.78	01/09/2023	31/08/2026	Help local small-scale subsistence farming communities in the Forest Corridor of Ankeniheny Zahamena adapt to climate change through a combination of awareness raising, patrolling and training in new skills such as climate-smart agriculture and agroforestry which should prevent further loss of primary forest cover whilst increasing ecosystem services and resilience of the communities.
Tropical Biology Association LTD - Kenya	Enhancing Indian Ocean Civil Society Organizations' Capacity for Ecosystem-based Adaptation	Large Grant	\$206 984.68	01/04/2024	31/12/2026	Build the technical capacity of CSOs to understand and incorporate ecosystem-based adaptation principles and priorities of national climate change policies, to allow them to effectively mobilize communities and stakeholders to embrace ecosystem-based adaptation approaches. Strengthen the organizational capacities of CSOs in effective strategic planning, program management and monitoring, human resources management, and financial resources mobilization and management.