



AFRICAN RANGELANDS PROJECT



Great Limpopo Transfrontier Conservation Area (GLTFCA) Joint Management Board

Promoting conservation and socio-economic development across
Mozambique, South Africa, and Zimbabwe.

ABOUT THE GLTFCA JOINT STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT PLAN (JSMP)

10 STRATEGIC PROGRAMMES

The vision and mission of the GLTFCA, and its strategic objectives and programmes, provide the long-term framework for the activities of the JSMP, which must be reviewed, revised and updated annually. The following 10 strategic programmes guide the identification of joint actions for this JSMP:

1. Governance and administration
2. Land-use planning and management
3. Conservation and wildlife management
4. Security and wildlife protection
5. Responsible tourism
6. Socio-economic development
7. Improved land and air access
8. Integrated water resource and freshwater ecosystems management
9. Marketing, communication and awareness raising
10. Joint training, learning and skills development

The GLTFCA Joint Management Board includes representatives from the governments of Mozambique, South Africa and Zimbabwe and from Administracao Nacional das Areas de Conservacao, Mozambique's National Administration of Conservation Areas (ANAC), SanParks and ZimParks.



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WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

The Monitoring and Evaluation Framework Implementation Plan will enable roll out of the JSMP M&E Framework from 2025 implemented through a participatory stakeholder engagement process with GAC support. Objectives of the assignment include:

- Work with the GLTFCA Secretariat to define job descriptions for M&E personnel in the respective GLTFCA nodes and assess their skills and needs to carry out M&E assignments as per JSMP recommendation.
- Develop a training manual and conduct M&E training.
- Work with the IC and nodal/core park M&E focal persons to finalise nodal Indicators and tools to collect data. Assist the IC to initiate the collection of baseline data through the core parks and the JPMC as well as setting of targets and annual milestones.
- Develop and deploy an online data collection platform and train nodal personnel to use the platform.
- Finalise a quarterly report structure with IC and nodal/core park M&E focal persons.
- Assist the IC to extract and clean data from nodal online data platform and produce a 2025 quarterly M&E report to present to the JMB.

The Needs Assessment will identify M&E tasks and finalise relevant indicators and data collection tools for each JPMC. Outputs of the M&E Framework Implementation Plan include:

1. **Inception Report** with a detailed workplan to discuss with GLTFCA Secretariat.
2. **Desktop Situational Analysis** with the following themes/components:
 - **Training Needs** for the respective individuals tasked to carry out Nodal M&E assignments
 - **Data variations** and similarity in each node
 - **Existing indicators and tools** for data collection.
3. **Training Workshops** for personnel with M&E tasks:
 - Draft indicator tracking template finalised during workshops;
 - Draft tools and methods for collecting data to feed into indicator values finalised during training workshops; and
 - Baseline values for agreed set of indicators collected after workshops
4. **Quarterly reports at JPMC level** by respective M&E personnel.
5. **Consolidated Quarterly report** produced at GLTFCA level by consultant for the IC's report to the JMB.



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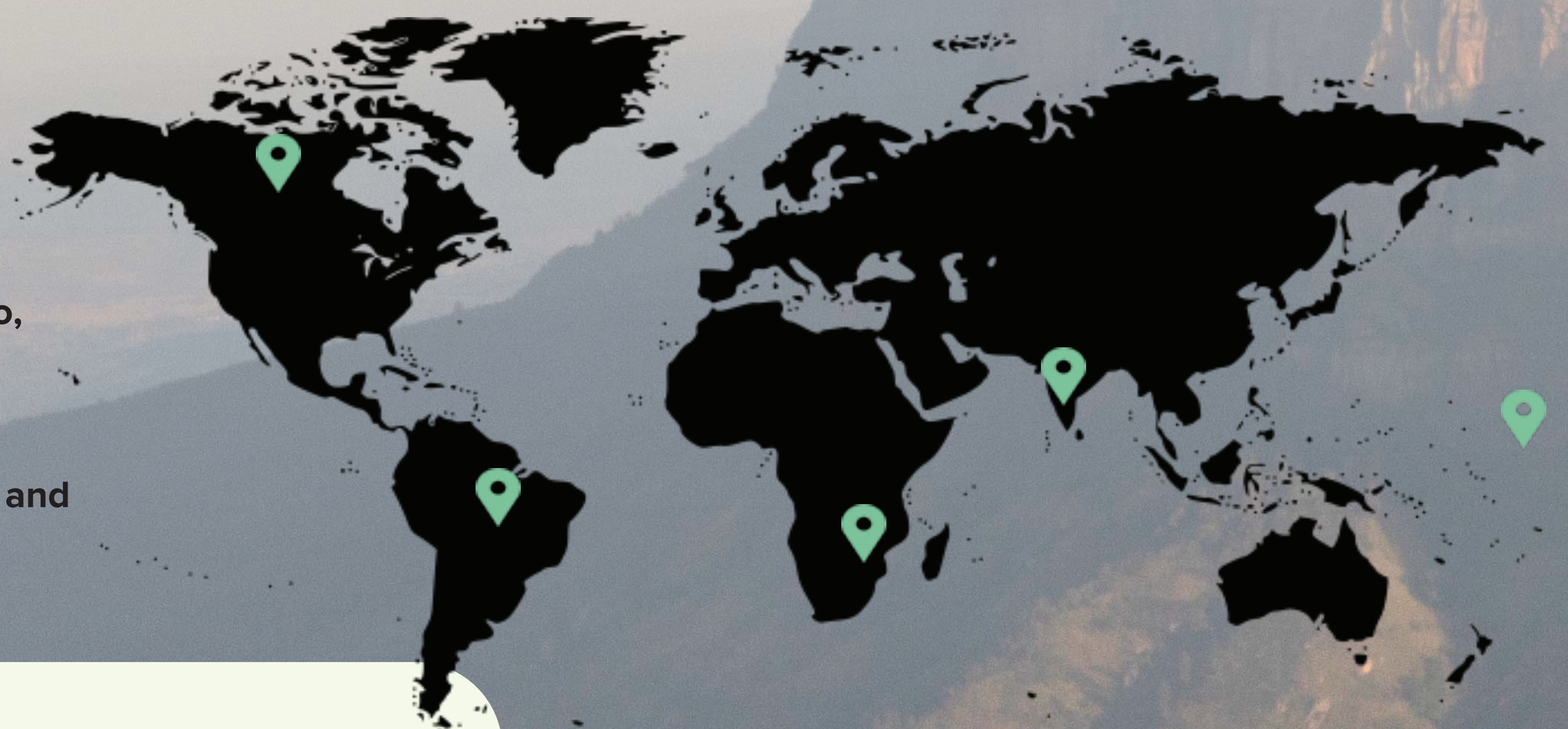


EcoAdvisors

Aligning financial and environmental incentives to scale the deployment of capital toward sustainable solutions that contribute to the environment-related SDGs that help create a healthy planet where all people thrive

WHERE WE WORK

Global with current major projects in: Northern Canada, the Greater Limpopo, Pacific Island reef systems, degraded ranches in Latin America, agricultural landscapes in India, and restoration activities in the Americas, India, China and sub-Saharan Africa.



WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

EA can support and contribute in areas such as:

- **Strategy:** refining overarching strategy and honing theory of change
- **Client engagement:** strengthen relationship with donor
- **Oversight support, adaptive management:** track and ensure project delivery
- **Network expansion and access to specialised expertise**

Technical areas where EA has relevant capacity and can add value include:

- **M&E:** develop and track against KPIs
- **Protected areas:** management, effectiveness, long-term financing
- **Stakeholder engagement:** organize and lead participatory processes/sessions
- **Community-based conservation and development:** incentives, partnerships, governance
- **Enterprise development support:** review cost models, entity due diligence, supporting infrastructure, etc.
- **Fund structuring and leverage support:** review funding thesis, docs, governance, structure, financial arrangements
- **Environmental and Social Safeguards,** including specific expertise with respect to gender
- **Marketing and communications**

HOW WE SEE SUCCESS

Improved
ecosystem
health and
resilience that
supports human
livelihoods.



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KRUGER TO CANYONS
BIOSPHERE REGION

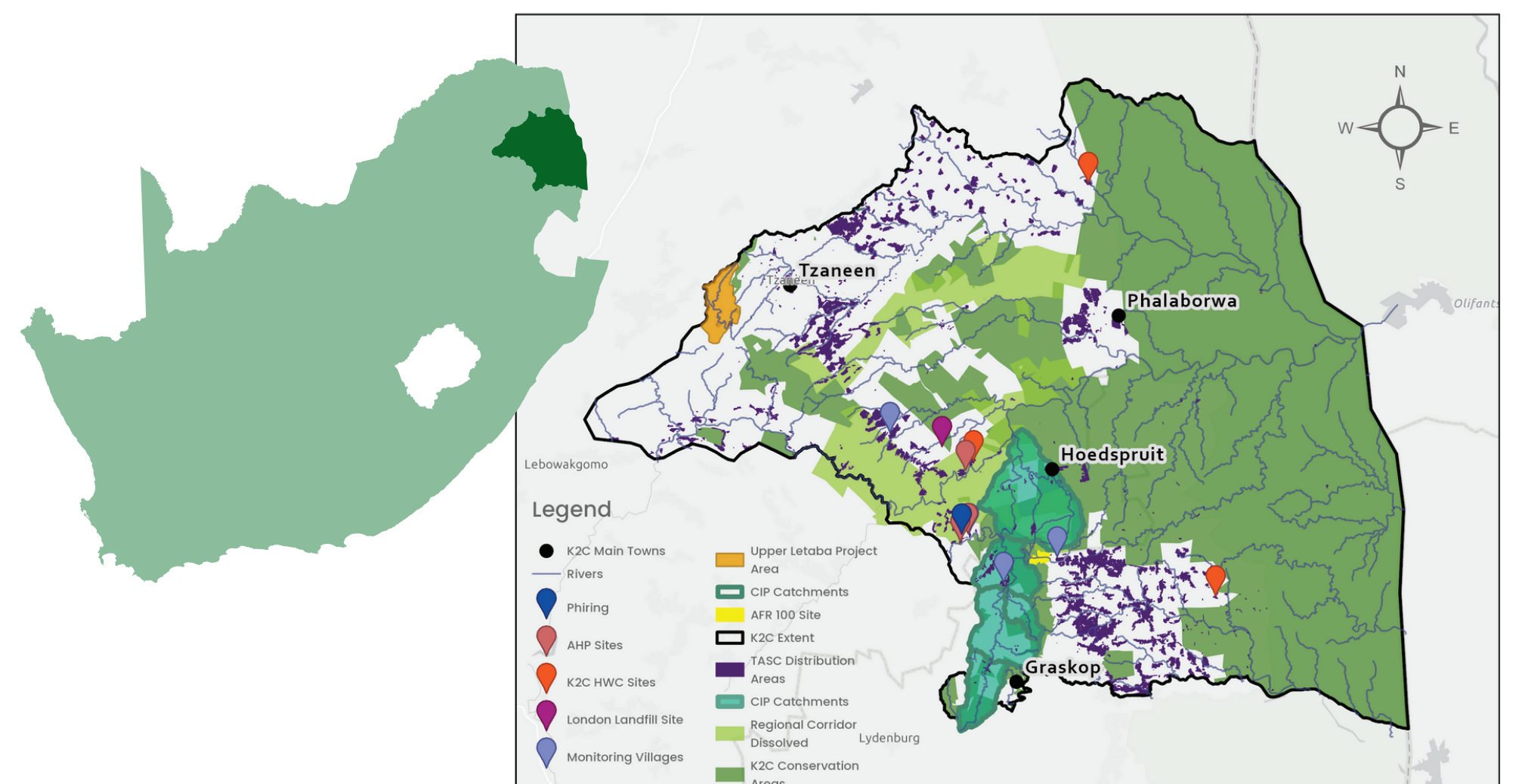
Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region



Support, promote and demonstrate within the Kruger to Canyons Biosphere landscape a balanced and sustainable relationship between socio-economic development, the conservation of biodiversity and the sustainable use of the natural resources on which people's livelihoods depend.

WHERE WE WORK

The Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region is a 25 million hectare biosphere reserve located in the north eastern region of South Africa, straddling Limpopo and Mpumalanga Provinces. The K2C BR includes two of South Africa's key tourism sites – the Kruger National Park and the Blyde River Canyon, as well as one of the leading international floral hotspots, the Wolkberg Region. The current boundaries of the registered Biosphere extend from the Letaba River in the North to the Sabie River in the South and the Blyde Escarpment in the West to the Mozambique border in the East.



WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

- Demonstration of sustainable finance mechanisms
- Catchment restoration*
- Human–wildlife conflict mitigation through people empowerment*
- Eco-system based adaptation through nature-positive livelihoods: rangeland management, agro-ecology, eco savings and credit groups and micro business development*
- Monitoring of rivers and streams and feedback to communities

* implemented through a gender-sensitive lens

AREA OF BLYDE CATCHMENT RESTORED

1,000 hectares

COMMUNAL LAND UNDER BETTER MANAGEMENT

15,612 hectares

HOW WE SEE SUCCESS

A finance plan to ensure K2C viability

TARGET:

R75 million over five years

A catchment restoration financial mechanism

TARGET:

R150 million over five years

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RANGELAND
MANAGEMENT TRAINING &
IMPLEMENTATION

80

K2C TEAM MANAGEMENT
GAC FUNDED

13

K2C TEAM IN FIELD
ON GAC

8



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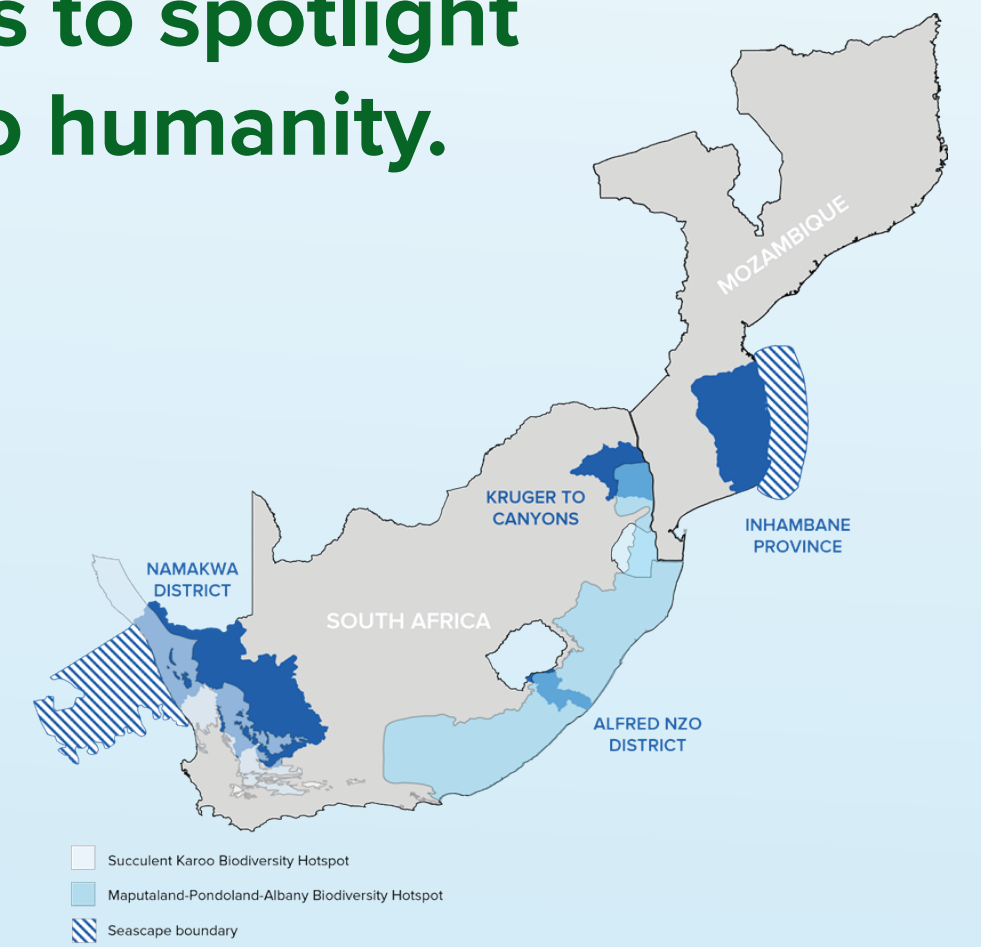
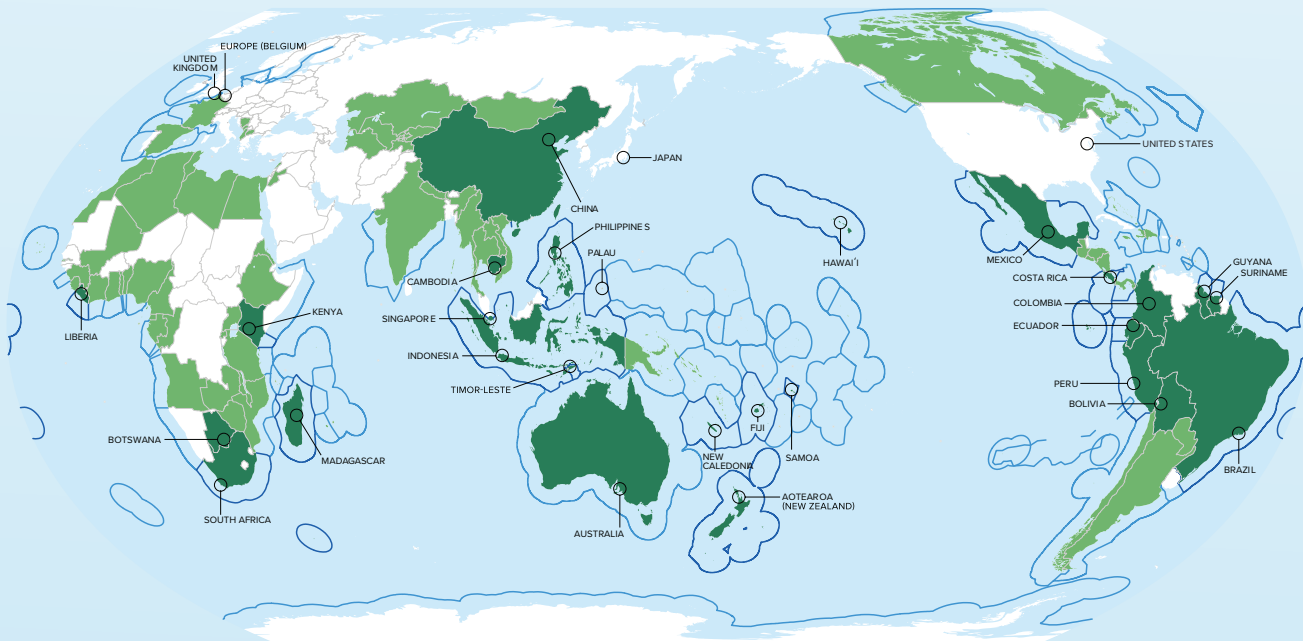
Conservation International and Conservation South Africa



Conservation International and its global network works to spotlight and secure the critical benefits that nature provides to humanity.

WHERE WE WORK

Conservation International (CI) combines fieldwork with innovations in science, policy and finance, to help protect more than 6 million km² of land and sea across more than 70 countries, with offices in more than two dozen countries and a worldwide network of thousands of partners. Within the GAC project scope, Conservation South Africa (CSA) has extended its reach into Mozambique.



WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

Project lead: Overall project management and delivery, donor engagement and management, stakeholder engagement and management

TECHNICAL ROLES:

Sustainable/nature finance: Dedicated technical capacity from CI's Nature Finance team to design, develop and deliver financing mechanisms linked to carbon, ecotourism, impact investing into community-led initiatives and green enterprises (via CI Ventures), trust funds/ endowments, as well as capital market-based solutions.

Rangelands management and community-led initiatives: Implemented via Herding for Health, Meat Naturally programmes and conservation agreements, and an inclusive green economy that prioritises inclusion of women and other vulnerable communities.

Policy work focused on incentives linked to implementation of financial mechanisms.

Strategic engagements/advisory as a trusted partner working alongside various civil society, public and private sector organisations within the GLTFCA.

GENDER RESPONSIVENESS:

- Encourages women to join job creation and enterprise development initiatives.
- Prioritises women-headed households and women farmers for support with land restoration activities.
- Conservation finance mechanisms are gender-responsive.
- Acknowledges links between gender-based violence (GBV) and the environment: GBV is often used to control access, use, management and ownership of natural resources.

SCIENCE

CI's global science team, the Moore Center for Science, is dedicated to advancing conservation science.

FINANCE

Almost USD 2 billion investment mobilised for nature by blending philanthropic and public funding with private capital.

COMMUNITY

CI supports Indigenous people and local communities to protect their territories with a rights-based approach to conservation that connects human well-being with the protection of nature for sustainable livelihoods and healthy ecosystems.

GOVERNMENT

CI advises local, national and global decision-makers, with data, science and counsel to protect and restore ecosystems at a large scale and integrate nature-based solutions into public policies.

CI partners with the French Development Agency, European Union, Global Environment Facility, Government of Japan and World Bank to support the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund to conserve and protect

**890 SPECIES AND
48 MILLION HECTARES OF
ECOSYSTEMS**



WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

As project lead, our targets and expected outcomes encompass those of all our partners.

- Deliver on overall project outcomes and impacts
- Enhance effective collaboration of GLTFCA partners, and capacity to implement key programmes, projects and initiatives beyond the lifetime of the project.
- Attract sufficient private sector investment to continue our collective work post-GAC.



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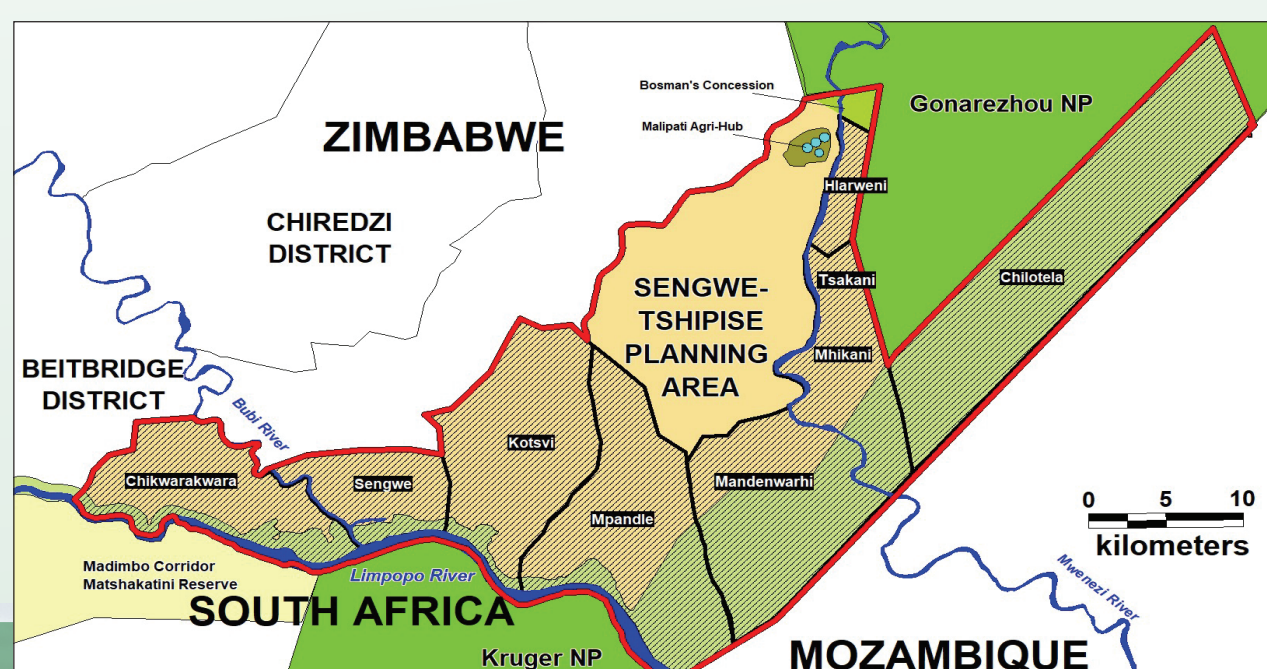


Frankfurt Zoological Society



Initiate development of the Sengwe Tshipise Corridor and sustainable development partnerships for enhanced social, livelihood, and environmental prosperity and resilience of local communities and conservation in the Zimbabwean portion of the GLTFCA.

WHERE WE WORK



OUR PARTNERS



CONSERVATION SOUTH AFRICA
Member of the CI Network



WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

1. SENGWE TSHIPISE CORRIDOR (STC) SWOT ANALYSIS – 2020/21

Conducted with EU Support in partnership with Zim-Parks, RDCs, and local communities.

Key recommendations: review of Local Development Plan, governance, and implementation framework for the STC.

2. CONSULTATIVE REVIEW OF 2009 STC LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Initiated in Sept 2024 with EU support by the STC Technical Working Group (Zim-Parks, Chiredzi and Beitbridge RDCs, Dept. of Physical Planning), Supported by FZS and SAT-WILD; Expected conclusion ~July 2025

KEY CHANGES:

- 1. Improved alignment** to GLTFCA Treaty and MOA between RDCs and Zim-Parks
- 2. Updated map/planning area**, to include: STC Wildlife Corridor, Integrated Development Area
- 3. Simplified governance structure:**
 - Zim-Parks and RDCs incorporated into STC Executive Committee
 - Direct role of Village Development Committees and CBOs in planning & implementation
- 4. Provision for STC Task Team:** Tasked with drafting and initiating detailed development plans for priority development projects under main pillars of the LDP.

3. SUPPORT STC TASK TEAM

Chiredzi and Beitbridge RDCs and Zim-Parks, supported by GAC through FZS and SAT-WILD.

- 1. Draft and implement detailed management and development plan** for STC including proposals, budgets and business-plans for short-, medium-, and long-term opportunities under key pillars: governance, environment, agriculture, water, livelihoods and settlement.
- 2. Informed by specialist consultancies supported by GAC:** Inclusive participatory planning, gender and youth action plan, gender and youth balanced governance, baseline assessment, enhanced M&E system and tools, agricultural value chain analyses, green economy value chains and cost-benefit analyses; tourism development plan, sustainable financing options (with C-RSA), H4H scoping and planning (with PPF), socio-economic and ecological impact assessment of fencing, survey and mark boundaries, tasked with drafting and initiating detailed development plans for priority development projects under main pillars of the LDP.



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Endangered Wildlife Trust



OUR VISION: A healthy and equitable Africa that values and sustains the diversity of all life. **OUR MISSION:** The Endangered Wildlife Trust is dedicated to conserving threatened species and ecosystems in Africa to the benefit of all.

WHERE WE WORK

THE EWT PRIORITY STRATEGIC CONSERVATION LANDSCAPES (SCLs)

Drylands (including Anyenberg)
Eastern Cape (including priority Wild Coast forests)
Drakensberg Grasslands (extending into Lesotho)
Savanna (extending into Mozambique, Zimbabwe & Botswana)
Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park
Kavongo/Zambezi TFCA – including Kafue Flats
Zambezi delta to Malawi corridor
Niassa-Selous Ecosystem TFCA
East African landscapes under the EWT/ICF partnership



WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

The Endangered Wildlife Trust has championed the fight for survival and recovery of many African wildlife species for more than five decades. Our widely recognised cheetah spoor brand identifies the EWT as a formidable, ethical, credible, impactful and cutting-edge conservation leader, covering the three pillars of wildlife, habitats, and people.

EWT is also a leader in engaging Big Business, driving the use of high-tech solutions and co-creating community-led conservation projects. We embrace the roles of women, the youth, and indigenous peoples in determining a future in which nature and people thrive.

Our team of more than 130 people covers the most diverse range of high-impact conservation specialists of any other conservation organisation in the region.

As we enter our sixth decade, we recognise that the world is still not moving towards a pathway of sustainability at a pace that will curtail continued extinction rates and ecosystem degradation, and the suffering of a great many people who rely on these ecosystems the most. Therefore, the EWT is more determined than ever to ensure that the next 25 years of conservation action are led by a strategy that consolidates, refocuses, and ramps up our key strengths; expands our reach; and scales up our impact. We are determined to safeguard the biodiversity and natural resources that are unique to Africa, and which support the livelihoods of millions of her people.

HOW WE SEE SUCCESS

OUTPUT 1:

BioBlitz expeditions conducted within priority corridors within the defined project area.

OUTPUT 2:

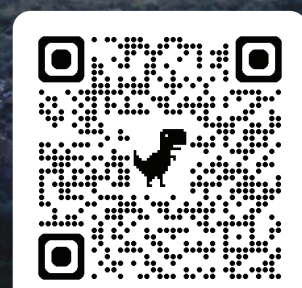
Established eco-rangers for Human Wildlife Conflict management within the defined project area.

OUTPUT 3:

A biodiversity monitoring system to detect changes towards favourable conditions for biodiversity as a consequence of the implementation of sound biodiversity management and suitable range expansion projects.

OUTPUT 4:

Baselines conducted to inform and enable a viable Lion Species Bond.



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Peace Parks Foundation

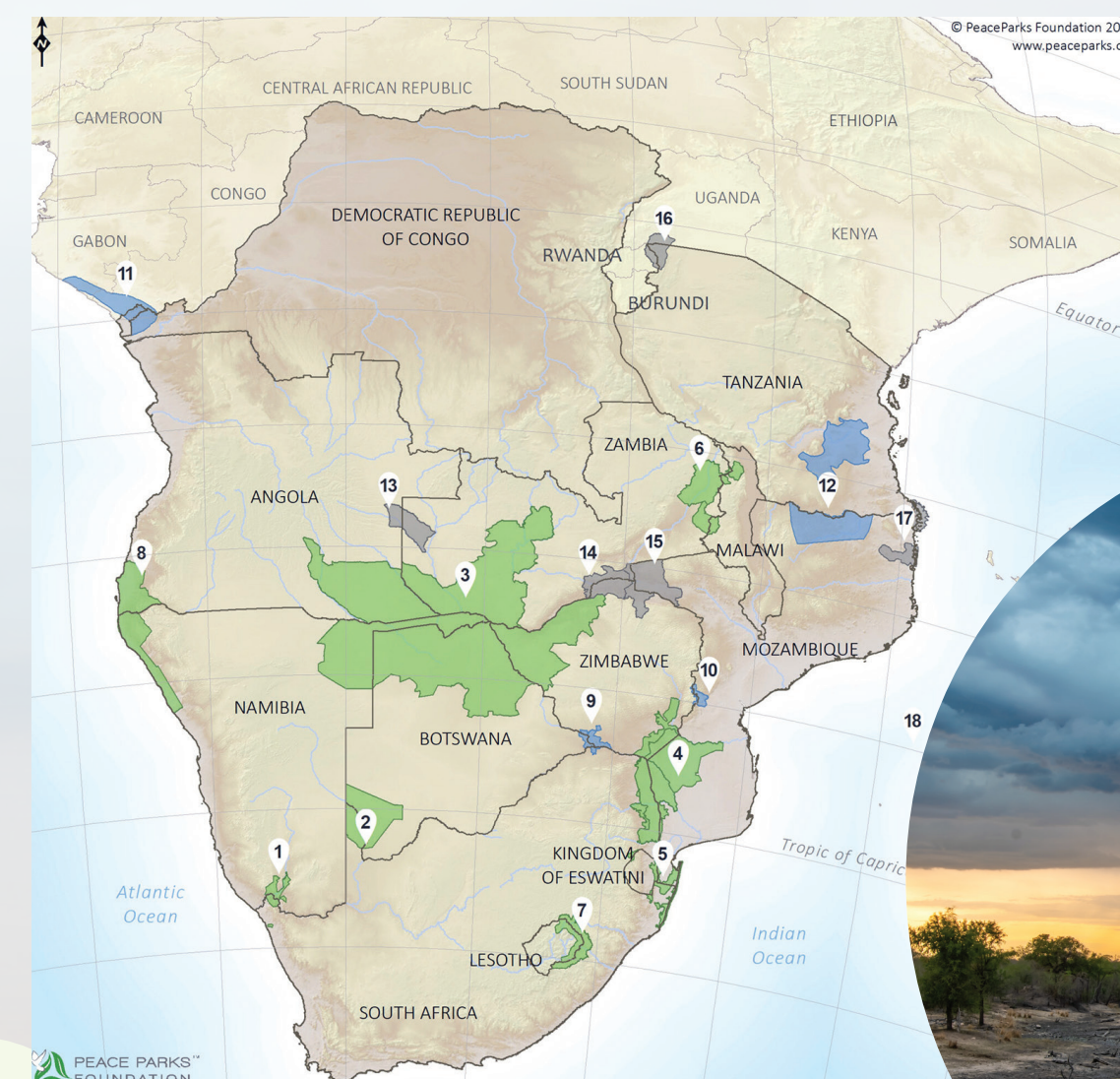


Peace Parks' Vision 2050 is to secure 980,000 km² of functional transboundary landscapes where people and nature thrive.

WHERE WE WORK

Peace Parks Foundation operates across five priority transboundary landscapes in 10 key protected areas connected by seven wildlife corridors.

Peace Parks Foundation focuses on the development of five transfrontier conservation areas (TFCAs): Great Limpopo TFCA (GLTFCA), Lubombo TFCA (LuTFCA), Kavango Zambezi (KAZA) TFCA, Malawi-Zambia (MAZA) TFCA and, more recently, Lower Zambezi – Mana Pools (LOZAMAP) TFCA.



WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

CONSERVATION AT SCALE:

Restoring and conserving Africa's wild spaces through protected area management, biodiversity monitoring, and habitat restoration. Reconnecting ecological systems via wildlife corridors and conservation partnerships.

Strengthening conservation law enforcement to reduce poaching and human-wildlife conflict.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND GENDER INCLUSION:

Implementing Herding for Health (H4H) to enhance sustainable livestock management and restore degraded rangelands.

Supporting women-led enterprises and promoting equitable benefit-sharing models.

Conducting community training on conservation-friendly livelihoods (e.g., eco-tourism, sustainable agriculture, and value chains).

SUSTAINABLE FINANCE & PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT:

Developing innovative financial models such as conservation bonds and sustainable tourism initiatives.

Facilitating public-private-community partnerships (PPCs) for long-term conservation financing.

HUMAN-WILDLIFE CONFLICT (HWC) MANAGEMENT:

Implementing mobile field fences to reduce crop and livestock losses.

Enhancing early warning systems through Earth Ranger monitoring technology.

Training communities in HWC mitigation strategies.

GLTFCA SECRETARIAT & CAPACITY BUILDING:

Supporting the Greater Limpopo Transfrontier Conservation Area (GLTFCA) Secretariat.

Strengthening government, NGO, and community capacity for landscape-level conservation management.

WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

Improved ecological connectivity between protected areas through restored wildlife corridors.

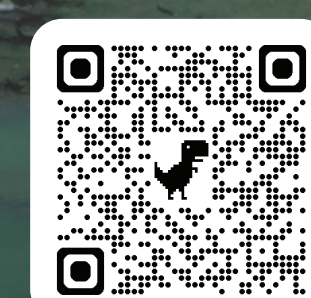
Thriving, nature-positive economies where communities benefit from sustainable livelihoods.

Empowered women and marginalized groups engaged in conservation and economic activities.

Increased investment and financing for conservation through bonds, ecotourism, and carbon markets.

Enhanced biodiversity and ecosystem health through active habitat restoration and monitoring.

Reduced human-wildlife conflict via proactive mitigation strategies and technology-driven solutions



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GreenMatter



Developing the skills to power a greener future

WHAT WE DO AND WHAT WE BRING TO THE PROJECT

GreenMatter plays a vital role in the African Rangelands Project by strengthening capacity-building, skills development, and resource mobilisation to support sustainable rangeland management. Through targeted skills audits, training programmes, and stakeholder engagement, we enhance the ability of government agencies, NGOs, and community structures to effectively manage and restore ecosystems.

Our core activities include:

Capacity-building and skills development for conservation practitioners

Stakeholder mapping and engagement to align efforts across sectors

Gap analyses and training interventions to improve ecological restoration and resource management

Promoting financial sustainability by attracting private capital for conservation efforts

We integrate gender equity and safeguards by ensuring 30% representation of women in leadership roles within community structures, fostering inclusive decision-making, and prioritising livelihood opportunities for women in conservation and restoration efforts. By embedding social and environmental safeguards, we create resilient, equitable, and sustainable landscapes for future generations.



WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

The success of the African Rangelands Project means enhanced capacity, improved ecological connectivity, and increased inclusivity in rangeland management.

Targets and expected outcomes include:

Strengthened capacity of conservation organisations to attract and deploy resources for sustainable management.

Increased participation of women in leadership roles, with a target of 30% representation in key decision-making structures.

Comprehensive skills audits and training frameworks to bridge capacity gaps and improve conservation effectiveness.

Stakeholder-driven solutions through co-designed interventions that align with local and regional needs.

Improved financial sustainability, ensuring long-term impact through private and public investment in restoration efforts.

For us, success is a resilient, inclusive, and well-managed landscape where communities, conservation organisations, and investors collaborate effectively to protect and restore Africa's rangelands.



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Integrating gender and social equity into conservation programming



STEP #1: Gather relevant social information

Using primary and secondary data, a social analysis examines how different individuals and groups may affect a project or program, and how the project or program will affect them. The analysis collects, identifies, examines and analyzes information on the different roles, responsibilities, needs and interests of men and women of different social groups. See CI's **Gender + Social Equity Guidelines** for sample questions.



STEP #2: Identify benefits, risks and barriers

Using the social information collected above, identify how different groups may benefit, what risks may be involved, and the barriers and opportunities for engaging different people in the project. See CI's **Gender + Social Equity Guidelines** for helpful tools and common risks and barriers.



STEP #3: Develop appropriate solutions

Design culturally-appropriate and feasible solutions to reduce or eliminate the barriers and challenges identified above. These solutions depend on local culture, the nature of the project, budget, staff and partners. Solutions must be developed *by* and *with* community members and other stakeholders. See CI's **Gender + Social Equity Guidelines** for examples of common solutions.



STEP #4: Monitor and evaluate

Regular monitoring ensures that gender and social equity strategies are pertinent and achieving the desired outcome; it also enables responsive or corrective action if needed. Indicators should be disaggregated by sex and relevant social characteristics (age, location, profession, indigeneity, etc.) and changes over time of people's status and roles should be tracked. See CI's **Gender + Social Equity Guidelines** for help developing indicators, targets and collecting data.



STEP #5: Adapt and learn

Data and learning during the project is an ongoing process that can and should help to inform implementation throughout the project's lifetime. When data are collected and analyzed during monitoring and when new lessons are learned, information should be integrated back into the project through adaptive management.

CI'S GENDER AND SOCIAL EQUITY GUIDELINES

