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October 2023

At a Glance - October highlights



Melanesian countries advance local and global conservation agenda

The event provided a platform for knowledge exchange and cooperation, and represents a significant milestone in the ongoing efforts to safeguard the natural resources of Papua New Guinea and the wider Melanesian region.



Tech4Nature Phase II launches at IUCN Leaders Forum

Aligned with Huawei's TECH4ALL initiative and IUCN's Green List, the launch of Tech4Nature in 2020 marked the first time that either Huawei or IUCN established a major partnership spanning the ICT and nature conservation sectors.

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Call for proposals open for conservation actions in the EU Overseas

BESTLIFE2030 provides grant funding for small-scale field actions for biodiversity conservation and sustainable development in the EU's Outermost Regions (ORs) and associated Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs)

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The path to protect 30x30

We're committed to supporting nations around the world to achieving Target 3 of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, and with it, to conserve 30% of the world's ecosystems by 2030.



The Protected and Conserved Areas Team at IUCN

In October's newsletter, we want to showcase the dedicated and passionate individuals within the IUCN Protected and Conserved Areas team. Speaking nearly 30 languages and fuelled by area-based conservation experience and perspectives from across the globe, we're proud to play a role in helping the planet to achieve 30x30.

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What counts? - Ensuring effective conservation

Through the IUCN Green List Standard, the global benchmark for Protected and Conserved Areas governance and management, we're working to ensure that 30x30 means real and effective achievement of conservation goals.



Navigating blue horizons: Belize's quest for marine excellence with the IUCN Green List

In the crystal-clear waters of Belize's marine environment lies a challenge: how to ensure the effective conservation of marine biodiversity while ensuring sustainable financial and human capacities and the rights and values of local rightsholders and stakeholders in and around the marine and coastal areas.

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Episodio #6: ¿Qué es la Lista Verde de la UICN?

En este nuevo episodio, hablamos con Zornitza Aguilar, Oficial Senior de Áreas Protegidas y Conservadas y María Belén Valenzuela Oficial de Proyectos de Áreas Protegidas y Conservadas, sobre la Lista Verde de la UICN, las oportunidades y retos en la región y la visión a largo plazo.

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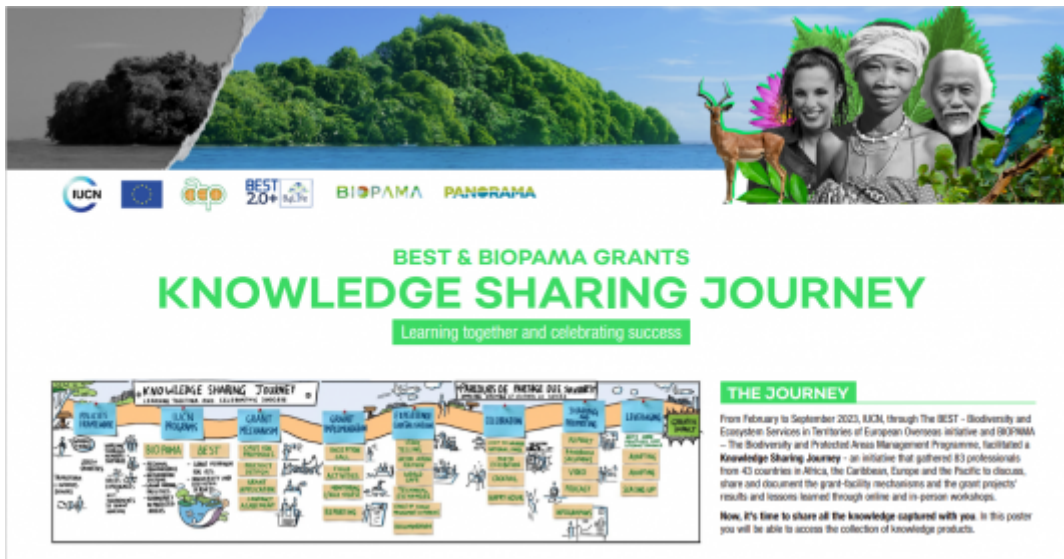
5 Cities Nominated To Become National Park Cities

Inspired by the world's National Parks, National Park Cities work together for better lives, health and wellbeing, relationships with nature, responsible consumption, improved places, habitats, air, water, sea and land, and time outdoors, culture, art, playing, walking, and cycling.

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Who counts? - People at the centre of conservation

As important as 'what counts', is 'who counts'. We're working to put people at the centre of conservation through supporting Indigenous peoples and local communities to lead and benefit from 30x30.



Explore the BIOPAMA and BEST Knowledge Sharing Journey

From videos, to an interactive photo gallery, to podcasts - and lots more! Explore the knowledge products developed under two of IUCN's most impactful grant making initiatives.

[View the Knowledge Sharing Journey poster](#)



Voices and Choices in Conservation for 30x30 target

Watch our webinar to explore the role of Indigenous peoples (IP) and local communities (LC) as key actors to implement and achieve local, fair and effective conservation efforts.



Using BIOPAMA grants to improve management effectiveness

Hear from Hashim Said, of BIOPAMA grantee Kenya Wildlife Service, about how the management effectiveness of Kenya's Kisite Mpunguti Marine

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Protected Area has been improved through the mobilisation of rangers and the local community.

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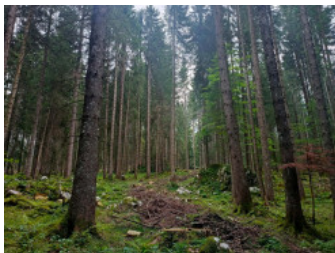
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Tech4Nature Flagship Publication

This Tech4Nature flagship publication presents cutting-edge technologies and digital solutions for the fair and effective management of protected and conserved areas and threatened species. It is intended to help conservationists, policymakers, and the ICT sector explore the multifaceted intersections of technology and nature and navigate the rapidly evolving and dynamic landscape on the use and potential of innovative technology in conservation.

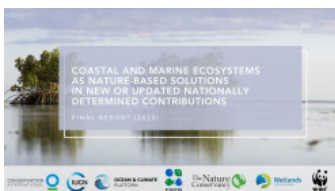
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Paper in focus: Leverage points and levers of inclusive conservation in protected areas

Despite much theorisation on the governance of inclusive conservation, empirical research on its practical implementation is urgently needed. Here, using a correlation network analysis and drawing on empirical results from 263 sites described on the web platform of the PANORAMA initiative (IUCN), we inductively identified global clusters of conservation outcomes in protected and conserved areas.

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Coastal and marine ecosystems as Nature-based Solutions in new or updated Nationally Determined Contributions

In the context of growing attention to ocean-related measures in climate strategies, it is key to assess the inclusion of coastal and marine ecosystems as Nature based Solutions in new or updated NDCs.

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Events and Getting Involved



Extended: SOS Lemurs Initiative

The SOS Lemurs initiative by IUCN Save Our Species will extend its mission to support lemur conservation until 2029 thanks to 9.5 million CHF extension.

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