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BOLD STEPS FOR SAUDI WILDLIFE



IUCN to partner with Saudi Wildlife Authority

IUCN and the Saudi Wildlife Authority (SWA) have embarked on an ambitious partnership to sustain a transformative agenda for nature conservation in the Arabian country. A new 5-year programme under development will see two-way collaboration on biodiversity protection and protected areas management that will bring Saudi experience to the international conservation community. The SWA and IUCN have enjoyed a fruitful collaboration, dating back to the early 1980s.

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INSPIRING SOLUTIONS



Bottom-up engagement of fisherfolks

The Côte Bleue Marine Park, France, was established in 1983 on the basis of an experimental cooperation between local public authorities and professional small-scale fishermen to implement a programme for the sustainable development of fishing activity and protection of the marine environment. A continuous dialogue process and strong “bottom-up” ownership has enabled high levels of social acceptance and effective conservation of the marine ecosystem. The park was awarded IUCN Green List status in 2018.

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GOVERNANCE





Dynamic governance for conservation in Ethiopia

The Guassa area in the Central Highlands of Ethiopia is an excellent example of a dynamic “indigenous community-conserved area” (ICCA). IUCN’s Global Protected Areas Programme participated in the first regional meeting of the ICCA Consortium in Africa, held outside Bishoftu, on the shores of the Bishoftu Guda Lake. During the event, the governance aspects of the Guassa conservation model rooted in the local Qero system were presented, and a field trip to visit the site was organised.

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PANORAMA



Webinar: Innovative protected areas financing and resourcing solutions

The 2018 [Pathfinder Award for innovation in nature conservation](#) focused on identifying and celebrating solutions from around the world that address the problem of insufficient investment of finance and other resources in protected areas. In a recent webinar co-organized by PANORAMA and BIOFIN, the award winners introduced their ground-breaking innovations from the Balkans, Scotland, South Africa and the Philippines. If you missed it, you can [view the recording](#).

BIOPAMA





2018 - a year in images

BIOPAMA provides a variety of tools, services and funding to conservation actors in the African, Caribbean and Pacific countries. In 2018, the BIOPAMA programme engaged with a significant number of stakeholders to focus BIOPAMA's activities on the needs of the countries and their actors, as well as to assist them in achieving their conservation objectives and international commitments.

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Protected area data and information: webinar series

The BIOPAMA Programme for Eastern and Southern Africa is hosting two webinars on "data and information tools, products and services to support conservation action and decision-making". The first webinar will take place on 13 February and will focus on protected area data exploration, discovery and sharing.

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GREEN LIST





The IUCN Green List journey continues in Italy

The newly formed Expert Assessment Group for the Green List (EAGL) for Italy - composed of 14 members with diverse expertise on protected area and biodiversity governance and management effectiveness - begins scaling-up the Green List in Italy in 2019. Italy was involved in the pilot phase of the IUCN Green List, with Parco Nazionale Gran Paradiso achieving Green List Status in 2014 at the IUCN World Parks Congress.

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France: cérémonie de la Liste Verte 2018

Le Comité français de l'UICN a organisé le 11 décembre 2018 la Cérémonie nationale de remise des diplômes aux lauréats français de la Liste Verte des aires protégées de l'UICN, annoncés lors de la 14ème Conférence des Nations Unies sur la diversité biologique (COP14). La France est aujourd'hui le pays comptant le plus grand nombre d'aires protégées inscrites sur la Liste Verte.

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Read the [Green List Bulletin - January 2019](#) for the most recent Green List updates!

HOT OFF THE PRESS

News on African Protected Areas

The [NAPA #126](#) is the first newsletter for 2019. It includes an article on the values and benefits of protected areas, as well as information regarding our courses and other training opportunities.

La [NAPA n°126](#) est le premier numéro de cette année 2019. Le sujet des avantages apportés par les AP y est abordé, ainsi que des nouvelles concernant nos MOOC et autres formations.

EVENTS & GET INVOLVED

Nominate for Equator Prize 2019 by 26 February 2019

The Equator Prize 2019 will be awarded to outstanding community and indigenous initiatives that are advancing nature-based solutions for local sustainable development. Each winning group will receive USD 10,000 and will be invited to participate in a series of policy dialogues and special events during the United Nations General Assembly and the Secretary-General's Climate Summit in New York in September 2019, culminating in a high-level award ceremony at the beginning of Climate Week.

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Latin American and Caribbean Congress of Protected Areas postponed

The 3rd Latin American and Caribbean Congress of Protected Areas is postponed until 14-17 October 2019.

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