



FACTSHEET

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DELIVERING ON CBD COMMITMENTS PROTECTED AREAS FOR A LIVING PLANET

Hundreds of partners are helping governments meet their CBD targets.

Making it Happen

The Protected Areas for a Living Planet project has helped governments deliver spectacular results in meeting their commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD).

A collaboration of the Swiss-based MAVA Foundation and WWF, the project has forged strong partnerships between governments, civil society, international organizations and local community organizations. Working in five transboundary ecoregions in Africa, Asia and Europe, it has helped 27 governments strengthen their national protected area networks.

Regional level activities have triggered wider CBD implementation at national level (see map). For example, even though the Altai-Sayan Ecoregion covers a relatively small part of Mongolia and the Russian Federation, activities there have initiated and supported work that is strengthening protected areas across the whole national territory of both countries.

“This project is the best example of how global level policy can be effectively implemented at the national level.”

Mr. Ioseb Kartsivadze
Head of Biodiversity Protection Service
Ministry of Environment Protection and
Natural Resources, Georgia

A Global Partnership for Climate and Biodiversity?

WWF and MAVA are calling for partners to join us in taking this experience to other regions of the world to support delivery on biodiversity, climate change and poverty targets over the next decade.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTION

Thanks to strong partnerships, protected area coverage is increasing across 27 countries and five ecoregions they share. Furthermore, capacity and management are improving and there is more effective engagement of local people. Here are some highlights:

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Carpathians: A Network of Professionals

Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Ukraine

- **Regional expert network** operational
- Pilot studies on the economic **evaluation of ecosystem services**
- **Online management assessment** system established (57 sites assessed)
- **91 new protected areas**, an area equivalent to 13.6 million hectares

Partnerships: Carpathian Network of Protected Areas (CNPA), Carpathian Convention

2

Dinaric Arc: A Big Win for Conservation

Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, Slovenia

- **Historic agreement** between 6 countries to deliver CBD targets (70% implemented)
- **Management assessed** in 66 protected areas
- **Regional gap analysis** completed
- **Increased donor funding** (USD 5 million)

Partnership: Dinaric Arc Initiative

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West Africa: Protected Areas for People

Cape Verde, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal, Sierra Leone, The Gambia

- **Increased income** for fishing communities in The Gambia and Senegal
- **Management regimes effective** in 7 protected areas
- 100 park managers, fisheries officers and **local people trained**
- **Management assessed** for protected areas in 3 countries

Partnership: Programme Régional de Conservation de la Zone Marine et Côtière (PRCM)



Key

Focal ecoregions

Countries where ecoregion activities have helped advance CBD implementation at national level.

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Caucasus: Working Together to Achieve More

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Russia, Turkey

- **Enhanced collaboration** between government and civil society
- **300'000 hectares** of new protected areas since 2007
- **Increased budgets** and effective national planning
- **More than 80%** of all protected areas assessed

Partnership: Caucasus Biodiversity Council

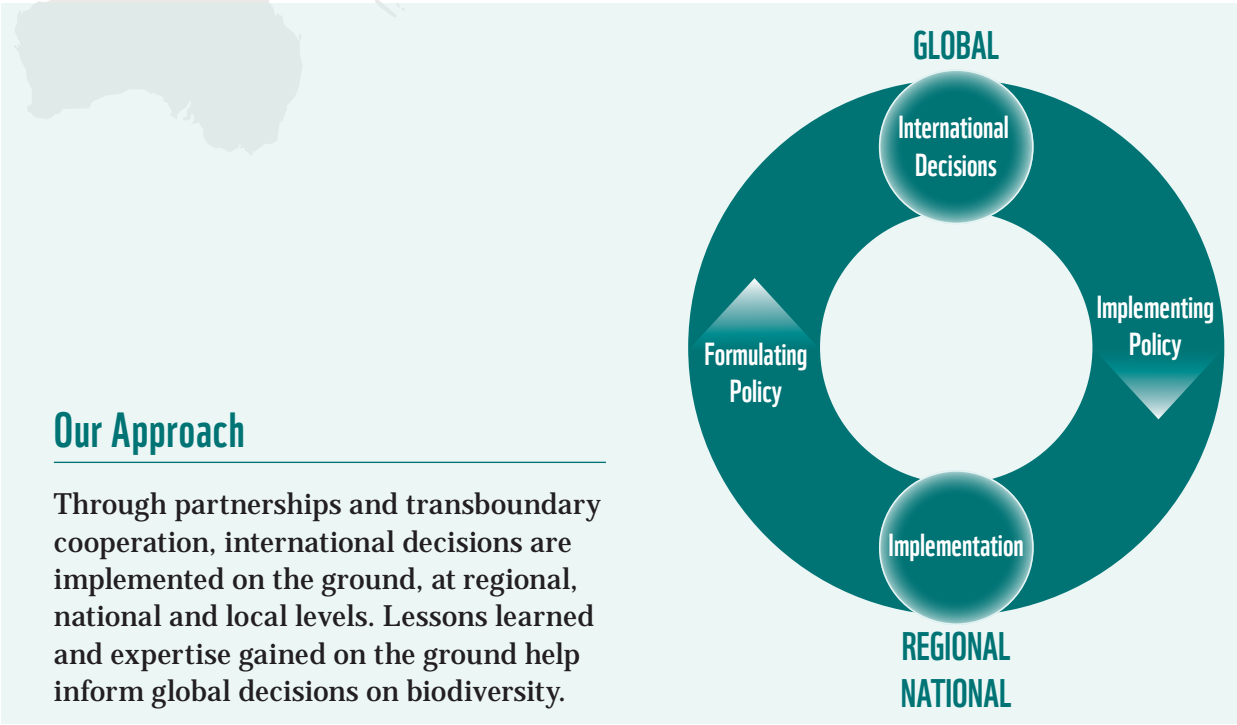
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Altai-Sayan: Conservation across Borders

Russia, Kazakhstan, Mongolia

- Commitment from Russia to **protect 9.63 million hectares** by 2020
- **Transboundary management** and research systems established
- **First national gap analyses** completed in Russia and Mongolia
- **New sources of income** for protected areas and people

Partnerships: UNDP, OXFAM, GTZ



Protected Areas for a Living Planet

WITH THE
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ASSESSMENTS

Management effectiveness has been assessed in more than 140 protected areas in 18 countries.

+100 NEW PAs

Over a hundred new protected areas (PAs) have been created.

+900 PEOPLE

Over 900 people have been trained in more than 100 workshops.

+4.2 MILLION

Over 4.2 million hectares of protected areas have been established.

EUR16 MILLION

16 million Euros have been raised in co-funding.

COMMITMENTS

Governments have committed to protect an additional 11.5 million hectares.

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To stop the degradation of the planet's natural environment and to build a future in which humans live in harmony with nature.

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