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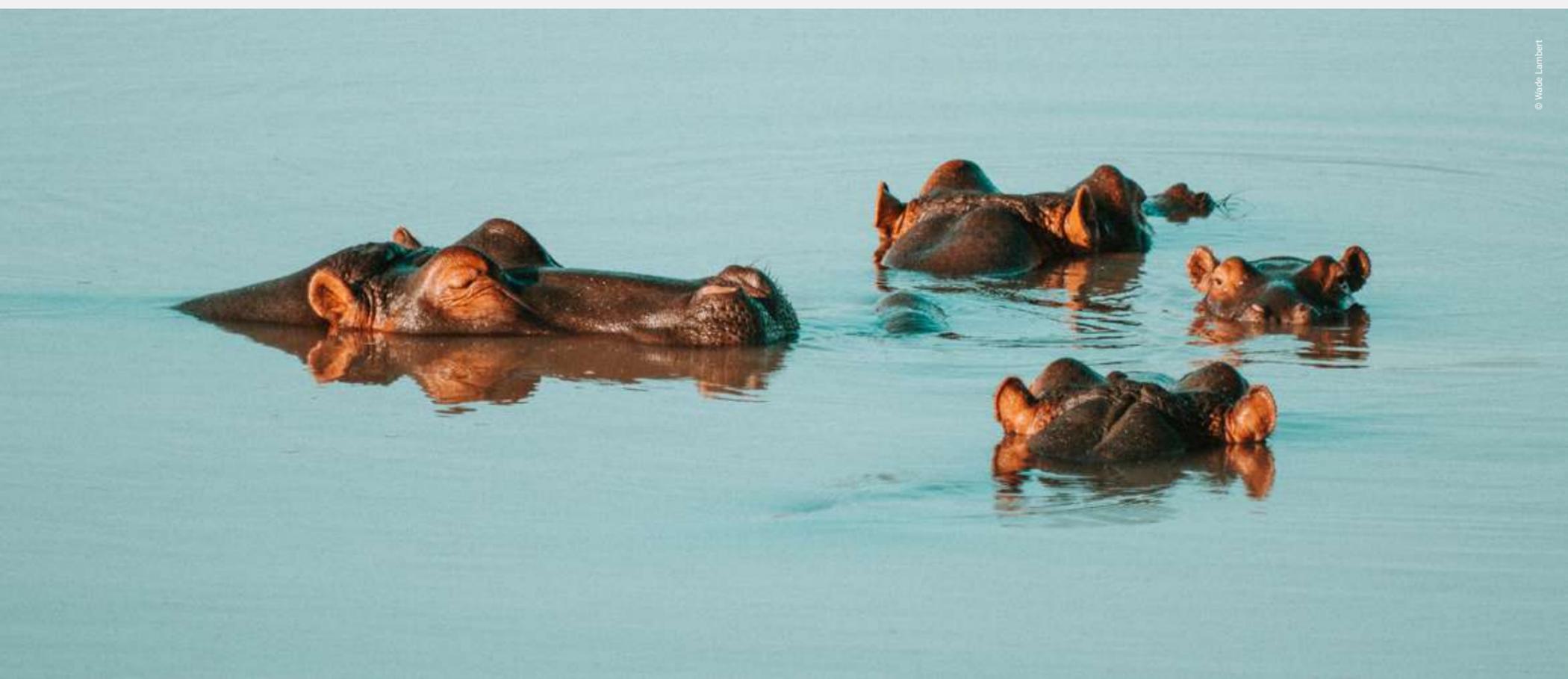
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day 1

Agenda for Opening plenary

Monday 18 July 16:00 – 19:00

HL-1

Monday 18 July, 16:00-19:00, KCC Auditorium

Official Opening, Reception and Cultural event

Session Manager: Trevor Sandwith; Support Staff: Luther Anukur, Fred Kwame Kumah

There will be a Welcome Ceremony, comprising a cultural performance of drama, song, dance, poems, video clips showcasing Africa's natural heritage (35 minutes). The Master of Ceremony will be Victoria Rubadiri.

Keynote addresses will be made by (25 minutes):

1. Razan Al Mubarak (Video) – President of IUCN – 5 min
2. Kaddu Sebunya – CEO and President of AWF – 5 mins
3. Bruno Oberle - Director General, IUCN – 5 mins
4. Hon Jeanne d'arc Mujawamariya, Minister of Environment, Rwanda - 5 mins
5. H.E. President Paul Kagame, President of Rwanda: CN – 10 mins

This will be followed by the opening plenary panel (90 min) moderated by Mohammed Valli Moosa, Deputy Chairperson of the Presidential Climate Commission, South Africa.

This panel will focus on:

1. A vision for inclusive growth as pathways to a sustainable and resilient future
2. A strong case for increased investment in biodiversity and Protected and Conserved Areas.
3. Commitment to placing people at the centre of conservation

The Panellists are:

1. H. E. President Paul Kagame, Rwanda
2. Prime Minister Hailemariam Desalegn Boshe, Ethiopia
3. President Mahamadou Issoufou, Niger
4. President Akinwumi Adesina, AfDB (TBC)
5. Hon. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment Egypt
6. Hon. Sharon Ikeazor, Minister of State for Environment, Nigeria

This will be followed by short 3-minute interventions from (pre-recorded videos or in person)

1. President Ellen Sirleaf Johnson
2. Mami Mizutori, Special Representative of the UN Secretary General for Disaster Risk Reduction
3. Tedros Ghebreyesus, Executive Director, WHO (Video)
4. Inger Andersen, Executive Director UNEP (Video)
5. Amy Fraenkel, Executive Secretary, Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) - (TBC)

Then Prime Minister Hailemariam Desalegn Boshe will preside over the soft launch (10 min) of a Pan African Conservation Trust (APACT). This will be followed by a Cocktail and Welcome Reception

16.00 – 19.00

Note:

1. APAC has an overall agenda comprising the following four main components: a) High level Leadership Dialogues, the streams and themes (the "Main Agenda"); b). Events (workshops, clinics, cafes, campuses) as per the calendar of events; c) Pavilion agendas as per the Pavilion calendar of events; and d) a display of posters;
2. There are still gaps to fill and speakers to confirm – these gaps will be filled in the coming weeks;
3. (TBC) = to be confirmed;
4. The session code is in the top left corner;
5. The agenda is chronological in so far as is possible (given the number of parallel events);
6. The separate daily calendar provides a summary of the scheduling for the main program and scheduled events. The daily calendar for the pavilion is being completed, and a list of the posters is being compiled; and
7. This is a near final draft of the Main agenda and the calendar of events but it will be updated as needed in the coming weeks.

day 2

APAC Leadership Dialogue Plenary Agenda

Tuesday 19 July

HL-2

19 July, 8.30-10.00, KCC Auditorium

Challenges and Opportunities for Protected and Conserved Areas

Manager: Madhu Rao; Staff Support: Philip Muruthi, Leo Niskanen

This Leadership Dialogue will synthesize the key challenges and opportunities of Protected and Conserved Areas (PCAs) in Africa to: a) set the tone and introduce the congress; b) present the status of PCAs in Africa and their major challenges (especially management effectiveness and governance); c) introduce the ambition of new target and challenges to achieve it – in marine and terrestrial realms; and where opportunities lie and how to seize them, with a focus on OECMs. There will be a special video on the status of PCAs with panel reflections. - Shamila Nair – Bedouelle, Assitant Director General UNESCO (TBC) will moderate this Leadership Dialogue.

Key Note Addresses by:

1. Hon. Najib Balala, Minister of Tourism and Wildlife, Kenya
2. Kaddu Sebunya – CEO and President of AWF

There will be a panel with the following panellists:

1. Hon Flavien Joubert, Minister of Agriculture, Climate Change and the Environment, Republic of Seychelles
2. Juliette Biao Koudenoukpo, Executive Director, UN Forum on Forests
3. Alfred Oteng – Yeboah, Chair of IPBES / IPCI steering committee
4. Marco Lambertini, DG WWF International

Video: Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, UN CBD

This will be followed by an open question and answer session and a concluding summary by the moderator.

8.30 – 10.00

HL-3

Tuesday 19 July, 10:30-12:00, KCC Auditorium

Introducing APAC Streams and Themes – Addressing the challenges and making the “pitch”

Moderated by (Kaddu Sebunya); Session Manager (Helena Motta, Edmund Barrow)

This session will inform participants of the scope and direction of each APAC Stream. This is an opportunity for participants to identify sessions that interest them. The session will emphasize the Congress with a “Call for Action”, and link the Leadership Dialogues (Challenges and Opportunities of Protected and Conserved Areas) to the rest of the APAC agenda. The session will be exciting, graphic and visual, with short films linked to different streams and cross-cutting themes, and experts speaking about each of the thematic areas.

After short introductions as to (a) why APAC (Luther Anukur, IUCN), (b) with what objectives (Fred Kumah, AWF), and (c) why in Kigali (Patrick Karera, Government of Rwanda), the APAC stream and cross-cutting theme leads will present their rationale and motivation for their subjects, provide briefs on each theme, and what APAC intends to deliver. The stream and cross-cutting theme leads are: Protected Areas stream (Samuel Kasiki and Philip Muruthi), People stream (Fiesta Warinwa and Monipher Musasa), Biodiversity stream (Michel Masozera and Youssouph Diedhiou), Governance theme (Tanya Merceron), Climate Change theme (Harisoa Rakotondrazafy), Conflict theme (Christian Noirard), Science, Technology and Indigenous Knowledge theme (Florence Palla), Sustainable Finance theme (Sue Snyman), and Infrastructure theme (Lucy Waruingi).

The moderator will lead discussion as to how the streams and themes will engage with the key challenges of PCAs, through the following sorts of questions: What are the key challenges facing PCAs? How will this stream, theme, workshop, or pavilion address these challenges? What sorts of outcomes do you expect?

The session will end with a moderated discussion involving audience and panel.

10.30 – 12.00

Three Parallel Stream Plenaries

Tuesday 19 July from 14:00-17:30

Tuesday 19 July, 14:00-17:30, KCC Auditorium

ST-1

Stream 1 Parallel Plenary - Promoting effective and equitable networks of PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Philip Muruthi

Panel 1: How effective are protected areas in conserving biodiversity and ecosystem services– constraints and opportunities for management effectiveness (including representativity, connectivity)

Panel 1 will be moderated by the IUCN WCPA Chair, Madhu Rao who will introduce the status of PCA effectiveness and how it relates to the Aichi targets, equity, fairness, participation and sustainability. There will be a keynote address by APAD (Dr Charles Musyoki, Kenya), who will discuss PA management effectiveness for Africa. This will include a summary of the main challenges and opportunities for management effectiveness of PAs in Africa.

There are 4 panellists: Patience Gandiwa (Zimbabwe Parks), Charles Karangwa (IUCN-Rwanda), Jimmiel Mandima (IFAW), and Abilio Rachid SAID (TBC, Instituto da Biodiversidade e da Áreas Protegidas, Guinea Bissau). Patience Gandiwa will share findings from the APAD survey on trends in the role of infrastructure in PA networks. Charles Karangwa will discuss the IUCN Green List where Rwanda, other countries and partners showcase Africa's commitments. Jimmy Mandima will show how important it is to protect migratory species in East and Southern Africa PAs by ensuring connectivity and safe passage between critical subpopulations and maintain and ensure healthy and resilient ecosystems. Abilio Rachid SAID da Silva will discuss the importance of connectivity of PAs as essential for fulfilling conservation objectives and addressing climate change.

After the panellists have made their presentations, the audience will break into groups to discuss various questions and issues: How can we improve management effectiveness of protected and conserved areas in Africa? What lessons are we learning? What actions do we need to implement? What are the gaps and how can we fill them?

Tuesday 19 July, 14:00–17:30, Room MH1

ST-2

Stream 2 Parallel Plenary – People: Championing community-led conservation in Africa

Session Manager: Fiesta Warinwa

Panel 1: Building blocks for effective community-led conservation in Africa

There is a growing consensus that to address the biodiversity and climate change crisis, and to protect and restore ecosystems, requires the support and scale of solutions indigenous people, local communities, and grassroots initiatives offer. Scientists agree we must accelerate conservation, particularly initiatives to restore and sustain ecosystems on a larger scale, to prevent severe climate and biodiversity catastrophes. Indigenous peoples and local communities (IPLCs), owning and using roughly 50% of the land are a critical part of the solution, despite not always having legal rights over their territories. The panel will provide case studies from some grassroots conservation leaders who are championing innovative, and successful community-led conservation. Fiesta Warinwa (AWF) will moderate and introduce the session, which will provide case studies from across Africa and some grassroots conservation leaders championing new, innovative, and successful community-led conservation efforts.

A TEDx –talk by Kanyike Sena (Indigenous Peoples of Africa coordinating Committee, IPAC) will highlight different rights-based approaches to conservation, their advantages and challenges, the lessons we can learn from them and how they can be upscaled. A keynote address by Dickson Kaelo (Kenya Wildlife Conservancy Association) will provide a bigger context into community led conservation in terms of the governance structures and the different institutional needs. Four panellists will discuss various aspects: Joseph Itongwa (ICCA consortium) will highlight how important an enabling policy environment is for community-led conservation. Njenga Kahiro (Maliasili) will share the capacity building needs for effective community engagement in conservation. Hilma Angula (NACSO) will discuss the community benefits and role of IPLCs, youth and women in successful conservation in Africa, and Malidadi Langa (Community Leaders Network) will highlight challenges and threats to devolving authority of State-owned PAs to external entities.

After panellists make their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss questions introduced by the moderator.

Tuesday 19 July, 14.00-17.30, Room T1

ST-3

Stream 3 Parallel Plenary–Biodiversity: Unlocking the opportunities of biodiversity conservation in Africa

Session Manager: Michel Masozera

Panel 1: Is our vision of biodiversity conservation the same?

Trevor Sandwith (IUCN, TBC) will moderate and introduce the importance of understanding the state of biodiversity in Africa. Ariella Kageruka (TBC) will deliver a TEDx on the biodiversity economy for Africa, and highlight key issues, challenges, and opportunities for the future and reflect what 30x30 means for Africa. Alice Ruhweza (WWF Africa) and Dr Arona Soumare (African Development Bank), in their keynote addresses, will develop these ideas as to what we need to do differently to unlock the potential of Africa's biodiversity, align Africa with principles for Green Growth and understand how to avoid future pandemics? A representative of the EU (TBC) will show how to move beyond business-as-usual funding model to sustainable financing for biodiversity conservation in Africa

There are five panellists from regional bodies including SADC (Domingos Gove), ECOWAS (TBC), UMA (Arab Maghreb Union, TBC), EAC (TBC), ECCAS (Economic Community of Central African States –TBC). They will speak to the importance of assessing regional biodiversity strategies and exploring synergies across Africa regional blocks. The panellists will examine the different biodiversity strategies being implemented to foster complementarity.

After the panel's presentations, the audience will participate in groups to discuss questions posed by the moderator. What next for biodiversity conservation in Africa? What are key reforms needed to unlock the opportunities in biodiversity conservation in Africa? How can we create enabling environment to unlock the opportunities linked to biodiversity conservation?

COVID-19 and Pandemics – Parallel Theme Workshop

19 July, 16:00-17:30, Room T3

CT-1

Cross-cutting Theme Parallel Session: Impacts of COVID-19 and other pandemics in PCAs

Session Manager: Samuel Kasiki

Samuel Mwanda, Director Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA, TBC), as moderator will introduce the subject and moderate the Panel which will focus on the impacts of COVID-19 and pandemics on PCAs. Alain Liva Raharijaona (Fondation pour les Aires Protégées and la Biodiversité de Madagascar) will deliver the keynote address «La COVID-19 a exacerbé les menaces and les pressions sur les ressources naturelles de Madagascar. Comment la pandémie affecte les priorités and les besoins de financement des aires protégées?»

Three panellists: Paula Boixeda and Bekezela Dube (Autonomous University of Barcelona/ Frankfurt Zoological Society, Germany) will discuss COVID-19 in the context of increasing global and interconnected crises, that call for resilience in PA governance and management. Bennett Kahuure (Namibia) will share how the Conservation Relief, Recovery and Resilience Facility (CRRRF) mobilises resources to provide relief to CBNRM institutions affected by Covid-19, and ensure the continuation CBNRM activities such as anti-poaching, mitigation of human wildlife conflict, conservation of natural resources and the management of wildlife to minimise job losses in the sector. This is an example of Namibia's stakeholder collaboration. Agostinho Fernando (BirdLife International, São Tomé e Príncipe, TBC) will discuss how COVID-19 was a challenge for many countries, how this resulted in higher level of pressures on natural resources, and which accentuated the urgency and also created new opportunities to identify innovative solutions for effective and sustainable PA management and livelihoods.

Participant group discussions will focus on questions posed by the moderator: How prepared are PCAs for current and future pandemics? How can PCAs that depend on the industries most affected by pandemics (tourism, health, etc) cope with these impacts? How can effectively managed, well-connected PCAs help with resilience against pandemics?

day 3

Leadership Dialogue Plenary

Wednesday 20 July

Wednesday 20 July, 8:30-10:00, KCC Auditorium

HL-4:

Leadership Dialogue Plenary: Investing in biodiversity: Diversifying innovative financing models for PCAs.

Session Manager: Kathy MacKinnon, Support Staff: Andrea Athanas and Kaori Yasuda

This Leadership Dialogue will bring development partners and CEOs of International NGOs together to discuss and make suggestions as to how global cooperation can be improved and better achieved and provide a critical overview on investments in conservation. Questions such as what the impact has been? the challenges and what needs to be done differently could be responded to by the panellists.

The moderator, Charlotte Karibuhoye, Head of Strategic Alliances and Director, MAVA Foundation, will introduce the session with keynote addresses by:

1. Paulo Gomes, Co-founder, New African Capital Partners, Former Executive Director at the World Bank
2. Fred Swaniker, CEO Africa Leadership Group

The panellists include:

1. Hon. Claudine Uwera, Minister of State in charge of Economic Planning, Rwanda (TBC)
2. Hon. Steffi Lemke, Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection.
3. Teddy Mugabo, CEO Rwanda Green Fund
4. GEF representative
5. Aurelia Micko, Director of Environment, Kenya and East Africa USAID (TBC)
6. Chantal Marijnissen, Head of Unit in charge of "Environment, Sustainable Natural Resources" EU
7. Alain Liva Raharijaona, Executive Director of Madagascar Fund

Video: Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO and Chairperson of the Global Environment Facility

This will be followed by an open question and answer session and a concluding summary by the moderator

8.30-10.00

Parallel Stream Plenaries Agenda for Wednesday 20 July 10:30–17:00

Wednesday 20 July, 10.30-12.00, KCC Auditorium

ST-4

Stream 1 Parallel Plenary - Promoting effective and equitable networks of PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Philip Muruthi

Panel 2: Achieving more effectiveness through connected and complimentary networks of PAs and OECMs

Margaret Kinnaid (moderator, WWF) will introduce the discussion as to whether we should be talking about expanding PAs while effectiveness of existing PAs is low and OECMs are not considered? Madhu Rao (IUCN, WCPA Secretariat) will provide the key note address and share experiences on conserving 30% of the planet and with commitments to 30x30 from over 70 countries, including the G7, President Biden, the European Union and at least 15 countries on the African continent.

There will be three panellists: Kerry Jo Purnell (Wilderness Foundation Africa; South Africa), Nombe Ganama (Mali Elephant Project) and Dr. Mwakilema (TANAPA, TBC). They will share cost-effective mechanisms of PA expansion to achieve the 30x30 target. Successes and lessons learnt will include how targets are met elsewhere. This is based on the need for protecting half of Earth's land and seas, and the important milestone of 30% by 2030. The discussion will address the need to consider how states can develop and mobilise the capacity to meet these targets. If countries support and achieve an ambitious, multi-dimensional target along these lines, they need to be supported to catalyse their own knowledge and skills but also be equipped with tools and resources to achieve and measure progress. Exploring opportunities and priorities for community conserved areas and initiatives to scale up coverage, impact, and community benefits across Africa and its most important conservation landscapes will be the focus, including a case study from the Mali Elephant Project. TANAPA will share perspective from the PA Authorities on the expansion 30X30 and OECMs.

Following inputs by the panel, the audience will break into groups to discuss such questions as: Is it about 30x30 or more about supporting more of what we have? How can we achieve 30% in a cost-effective manner that brings community conserved areas together with other actors at national level? How to ensure that conservation is truly effective and embraces quality? What lessons are being learnt and what actions are needed?

Wednesday 20 July, 14.00 – 17.30, KCC Auditorium

ST-5

Stream 1 Parallel Plenary - Promoting effective and equitable networks of PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Philip Muruthi

Panel 3: Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs) – can they fill the gap?

Panel 2 will be moderated by Trevor Sandwith (IUCN) who will introduce OECMs and how they contribute to effectiveness, equity, connectivity, and representation. Joe Watson will provide a TEDx talk to demystify OECMs, and relate this to the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.

Five panellists: Daniel Marnewick (IUCN), Gordon Ajonina (Cameroon Wildlife Conservation Society), Charles Doumenge (CIRAD), Solofo Ralaimihaotra (MIHARI Network, Madagascar TBC), and Francis Okalo (IUCN), will discuss needs for more marine PAs, and share experiences of the management and business plan development process for Cameroon's first marine national park in Central Africa. Africa's traditional, spiritual and cultural values contribute to area-based conservation and are essential to achieve management objectives at national, regional and global levels. This will bring stakeholders in charge of conservation and land use planning to better understand the differences and complementarities between PAs and "conservation" areas. But this requires improved policies and legal frameworks to help secure communities' rights and collaborating with them to be in charge of sustainable management of their resources and ensure effectiveness of the management measures they adopt. OECMs allow for the inclusion of rights-holders and stakeholders who contribute to conservation through area-based conservation outside formal protected areas, including IPLCs.

Participant, in groups, will address questions such as: How can community conserved areas be respected and recognized as OECMs? How can we increase the importance of marine conservation contribution to OECMs? What is the role of conservation on private lands, agricultural lands or other lands/areas in government control, etc.?

Wednesday 20 July, 10:30–12:00, Hall MH1

ST-6

Stream 2 Parallel Plenary – People: Championing community-led conservation in Africa

Session Manager: Fiesta Warinwa

Panel 2: Sustaining Community Conservation: The Need for New Funding Models and Practices

Panel 2 focuses on the need for innovative funding to ensure community conservation success, as there is more funding available. But to thrive and spread, and deliver on communities' expectations and opportunities, these initiatives by grassroots organizations have unique funding needs and face barriers that can deprive them of resources. Local organizations can struggle to access funding, particularly from larger development agencies or international funders, due to logistical, cultural, linguistic, legal and administrative barriers. Communities and their supporters across Africa need to rethink existing conservation funding, including more longer-term, flexible, organization supportive funding for community-led initiatives at scales that promote accessible funding for local organizations.

Fred Nelson (Maliasili) will introduce and moderate this session. John Kamanga (SORALO) as keynote speaker will articulate the overall situation with current funding models, the challenges faced and some of the opportunities available to bring about transformation in practice. TEDx speaker, Rashid Sumaila (Campaign4Nature), will venture into the specific challenges of financing the implementation of OECMs, and how this will impact local communities and their willingness to support governments as they strive to implement the 30x30 target.

Panel two attempt to address such challenges through an overall articulation of the situation and its barriers; highlighting the opportunities for international funding; exploring national efforts to date; demonstrating the power of collaboration to deliver at the landscape level and, lastly, the session will highlight opportunities for micro-enterprise and finance generated at the most local level. Daniel Sopia (MMWCA) will share experiences with bringing funding of international donors to the local level, highlighting recent experiences with COVID-19 relief and recovery efforts. Tapiwa Makiwa (CCF/NA) will speak of the collaboration between government, NGOs and communities in establishing a trust fund to support the needs of communities. Damien Bell (Honeyguide Foundation) will share experiences in building financial sustainability into models designed to deliver conservation at the landscape level. Examples of the value of small-scale enterprise and possibilities for local financing will be shared. Patrick Kimani (Coastal and Marine Resource Development) will share local efforts of the Eco-credits finance model, which is a demonstrated, yet still uncommon, approach that provides access to finance and improves the livelihoods of coastal communities, while conserving marine resources at the most local level will be profiled.

The audience will then discuss questions, including: What policies are needed to promote community-led conservation? What capacity (institutional, financial) is needed? How to overcome identified threats and challenges? What models are more effective?

Wednesday 20 July, 10:30–12:00 and 14:00–17:00 Room T1

ST-7

Stream 3 Parallel Plenary – Biodiversity: Unlocking the opportunities linked to biodiversity conservation

Session Manager: Youssouph Diedhiou

Panel 2: Capitalization of experience of countries with reports of biodiversity conservation Status (part of CBD process)

Ali Kaka (IUCN Councillor, Kenya) will moderate this panel of 5 panellists: Charlotte Karibuhoye Said (Mava Foundation, Senegal), Muhtari Amiu Kano (Birdlife International, Kenya, TBC), Frank Turyatunga (UNEP Africa Representative), Julieta Kabera (DG, Rwanda Environment Management Authority, TBC) and Roman Eyholler (Porini Foundation, Switzerland). They will discuss how coastal and marine resources can be nature-based recovery processes, show how inclusive strategies can tackle the biodiversity crisis, discuss strategies for effective PAs management, planning and expansion, and financing for PAs, with links to sustainable financing cross-cutting theme.

After the panellists have made their brief presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: What do we need to do differently to grow in a way that does not compromise the very basis of our economies? How can we improve our understanding of biodiversity for economic development? What actions are needed? What are the key lessons?

CT-2 Wednesday 20 July, 14:00-15:30, Room T2

Cross-Cutting Theme Parallel Workshops – PCAs and the importance of Capacity**Session Manager: Samuel Kasiki**

The moderator will be Amon Koutoua (International Ranger Foundation, Africa). Olga Biegus (Universal Ranger Support Alliance) will provide a keynote address to understand competences needed in the ranger sector and support its professionalization, through presenting the Universal Ranger Competences framework. The moderated panel of Patricia Malasha (USAID Integrated Land and Resource Governance Program, Zambia), Andrew Campbell (Game Rangers Association of Africa, South Africa), Drew Mcvey (WWF, Kenya), and Marianne Kettunen (Thin Green Line Foundation UK) will share experiences on a). Women's engagement in PA management being side-lined and marginalized, but a new set of tools can provide tangible ways to bring women back to the centre of PA management; b). It is important rangers, PA and conservation management authorities and those who support rangers financially understand the role of ranger associations; c). Build awareness of the challenges facing rangers and support their role in ensuring the effective management of PCAs; and d). PCAs can provide a major contribution to deliver the 2030 SDGs. Rangers are 'key workers' to help to deliver these benefits and their role needs to be better recognized – and supported. So, what is the most important driver to keep rangers dedicated, capable, motivated on the job?

After the panellists have made their brief presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: What is the most important driver to keep the frontline warriors (RANGERS) dedicated, capable, motivated and in the job? What are the major changes, obstacles to the career of Game Rangers? What would be transformative, a game changer in the future of capacity for rangers in Africa?

day 4

Leadership Dialogue Plenary

Thursday 21 July

HL-4

Thursday 21 July, 8:30-10:00, KCC Auditorium

Leadership Dialogue – Upholding rights, promoting good governance and equity

Session Manager: Charles Oluchina; Support Staff: Edwin Tambara

There will be a Leadership Dialogue on “Upholding rights, promoting good governance and equity” in terms of a) good governance and protecting rights, b) approaches to implementation of these principles c) experiences of challenges faced by international NGOs and IPLCs and what they have learnt about governance for the future. There will be discussions on how to address historical injustices of conservation, and recommendations for the future d). how to foster respectful relationships between INGOs and CSOs.

The moderator will be Kumi Naidoo, a life-long social justice campaigner and former Secretary-General of Amnesty International.

8:30-10:00

There will be two keynote addresses on “Upholding rights and promoting Equity” by:

1. Hon. Collins Nzovu, Minister of Green Economy and Environment, Zambia
2. Solange Bandiaky-Badji, Global Coordinator of Rights and Resources Initiative, RRI, and President of the Rights and Resources Group, Senegal

There will be a panel with the following panellists:

1. Lucy Mullenkei, Executive Director, Indigenous Information Network (TBC)
2. Jimmiel Mandima, Vice President IFAW
3. Jennifer Mohamed-Katerere, Independent Human Rights and Environmental Law Expert
4. Brian Child, IUCN Regional Councilor

Video: Francisco Cali Tzay, UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and Indigenous Peoples (TBC)

This will be followed by a question-and-answer session and a concluding summary by the moderator

Cross-Cutting Theme Agendas for Stream 1 (21-22 July) in Parallel

CT-3

Thursday 21st July 10:30-12:00, KCC Auditorium

Cross-Cutting Theme-1 Parallel Workshop: Governance and PCAs: Governance mechanisms to safeguard biodiversity and PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Tanya Merceron (IUCN)

Title: Models of managing PCAs: Co-Management, delegated management, privately managed PAs, conservancies and IPLCs: What are we learning from governance for effective management, and what tools to use

The moderator, Jennifer Kelleher (IUCN) will provide an introduction on the diversity of management models of PCAs. Pau Ouedraogo (TBC) will provide a keynote address on Placing Protected and conserved areas governance in the African context. A keynote address by Rogers Lubilo (Community Livelihoods Network) and Phil Franks (IIED) will explain what governance and equity means in international and national policy and in practice at PA and OECM sites.

10:30-13:00

The panel of five experts: Rogers Lubilo (Community Livelihoods Network) and Phil Franks (IIED), Dr Paul Scholte (GIZ, Ivory Coast), Dr Fortunata Msoffe (Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism, Tanzania), and Rio Heriniaina, ONG des Guides d'Andasibe, (Madagascar) will share examples. Participatory management of PAs and their conservation and development activities will be discussed based on different participatory models. West and Central Africa have 15 years of experience in delegating management of its PAs to private partners. Challenges face Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), particularly for wildlife protection. Increasing human population threatens their existence, with pressures to forego protection and let people have land for agriculture, and how we Make Local communities in the center of conservation to have successful impact.

After the panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss questions: What are we learning from different types of protected and conserved area governance arrangements? How can this be improved? What key actions are needed for effective and fair decision making? We know that diverse and well governed protected and conserved areas leads to better outcomes for both people and nature. What are some examples of diverse conservation actors and decision making? How can these be best recognized? What challenges do they face and what kind of support is needed?

Thursday 21 July, 10.30-12.00, Room T3

CT-4

Cross-Cutting Theme-2 Parallel Workshop: Climate Change and PCAs: Securing a climate resilient future for nature and people in and around PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Harisoa Rakotondrazafy

Title of Session: The PCAs we want in Africa under a changing climate

The moderator who will introduce the session is Alice Ruhweza (Regional Africa Director, WWF) while Ephraim Mwepya Shitima (Green Economy and Climate Change Director, Zambia - Africa Group of Negotiators Chair) will deliver the keynote address focusing on shaping the role of protected areas as global strategy for adaptation and mitigation to secure resilient future for nature and people in Africa and ahead of COP 27 in Egypt

10.30-12.00

There are 6 panellists David Obura (Executive Director, CORDIO, East Africa), Wendy Foden (Head of Science at the Cape Research Centre, South African National Parks and Chair of the IUCN Species Survival Commission's Climate Change Specialist Group), Joyce Jefwa (IUCN Commission on Ecosystem Management), Annah Agasha (Forest Stewardship Council, Uganda), Sarah Walker (Regional Carbon Advisor), and Harisoa Rakotondrazafy, WWF Africa Climate Change Adaptation Coordinator.

They will speak on: managing coastal and marine ecosystems in protected and conserved areas for increased resilience and blue carbon in Africa. ; the role of the IUCN SSC's Climate Change Specialist Group's work and the need to increase the number and size of PAs to build ecosystem resilience to climate change; how nature-based solutions represents an opportunity for the Biosphere Reserves to increase their contribution to achieve climate adaptation and mitigation goals; how does certification of Protected Areas could be an innovative tool to for climate mitigation and adaptation; sharing lessons from REDD+/carbon sequestration in the management of protected areas and innovations needed for increased NbS benefits for mitigation and/or adaptation and the need for a regional strategy for climate change and PAs to drive more impactful actions in Africa.

After panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss questions such as: What role can PandCAs play to address climate impacts, how their role as NbS for climate could be valued and upgraded What innovative strategies and transformative solutions are required (in terms of knowledge, policy, finance, and implementation)? What bold commitments should be taken during APAC that will feed the CBD, UNFCCC and UNDRR agendas?

Thursday 21 July, 14.00-15.30, KCC Auditorium

CT-5

Cross-Cutting Theme-3 Parallel Workshop: Conflict and PCAs: Resolving resource use conflicts as a pathway to security and conservation within and around PCAs

Session Manager: Christian Noirard

Title of Session: Human wildlife conflicts: from conflict to co-existence

The session will be moderated by Winnie Kiiru (Elephant Protection Initiative, TBC), and Nyamukondiwa Fidelicy (Fauna and Flora Zimbabwe) will make a keynote presentation on the current state of play on human wildlife conflicts: from conflict to co-existence.

14.00-15.30

Three panellists will share experiences: Benjamin Y Bassono (Executive Director of Guardian Angels of Nature in Burkina Faso), Atutonu Amah (Director of Forest Resources in Togo), Wilbright Munuo (Tanzania Wildlife Management Authority, TAWA), and Abdel-Aziz Baba Moussa (Centre National de Gestion des Réserves de Faune, Benin).

With the growing impact of climate change on biodiversity in Tanzania and Africa, human wildlife conflicts (HWC) are expected to rise and demand more robust and sustainable solutions. Monitoring of elephants in Benin with collars reduces human-wildlife conflicts, when it is combined with information, communication and education including the application of the regulations in force.

After panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: how do we go from conflict to co-existence? What solutions are there for PCA managers, local leaders and local communities?

Thursday 21 July, 14:00-15:30, Room AD12

CT-6

Cross-Cutting Theme-4 Parallel Workshop: STIK and PCAs: How science, technology and indigenous knowledge (STIK) contributes to the management and effectiveness of PCAs

Session Manager: Florence Palla

Title of Session: Science and indigenous knowledge for conservation in Africa with respect to PCAs.

Prof. Egwim Evans (Centre for Genetic Engineering and biotechnology, Federal University of Technology, Minar, Nigeria) will moderate the session, and Prof Dr Sir Assogbadjo Ephrem (University of Abomey-Calavi and IUCN-SSC- Crop Wild Relative Specialist Group Regional Leader for Sub Saharan Africa, TBC) will make the keynote on why science, technology, and traditional knowledge are important for PA and biodiversity management?

14.00-15.30

There will be a moderated Panel with Souleymane Jules Gaye (Nitidae, Burkina Faso), Magatte Diaw (Association Nationale des APAC du Sénégal), Prof David Miller (Millar Institute for Transdisciplinary and Development Studies, Ghana, TBC), and Lucy Waruingi (African Conservation Centre).

They will share experiences on village organization and social and income-generating activities in the Ponasi Project in Burkina Faso for better cohesion and conservation and increased resilience. Learning from the support project in Senegal for the ICCA of Lac de Guièrs and revive the Dekkal Dekh river, we can promote biodiversity and reduce conflict between breeders and farmers. We can have HWC systems that are more human-centred, and culturally sensitive. Connecting PCAs to ecological networks can ensure long term viability, sustainable development and improved wellbeing but this is a challenge. We explore connectivity, innovations to accelerate this work, how sectors (agriculture to infrastructure) are part of the solution, and look to opportunities to capitalize on to secure a connected and resilient Africa for nature and people.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: How can we facilitate community organizational development to promote natural resources conservation? How do you promote an alternative framework for coexistence of communities and their wildlife/natural resources in Africa? How do you promote science and technology and indigenous knowledge to facilitate sharing of innovations in natural resources conservation in Africa?

Friday 22 July, 10.30-12.00, Room MH1

CT-7

Cross-Cutting Theme-5 Parallel Workshop: Sustainable Finance and PCAs: Financial resilience and sustainability are key for long-term success of Africa's PCAs

Session Manager: Sue Snyman

Title of Session: Tools for innovative financing to secure Africa's biodiverse land and seascapes

Charlotte Karibuhoye (Mava Foundation) will moderate, while Candice Stevens (Wilderness Foundation Africa and IUCN WCPA Financing Group Co-Chair) will make the keynote address on financing versus funding; business plans; tools available and their use. Sue Snyman (ALU SOWC) will give a TEDx talk on their new Wildlife Economy Investment Index.

10.30-12.00

Five panellists: Karen Price (Consortium of African Funds for the Environment), Kathleen Fitzgerald (Global Wildlife Program, World Bank), Amrei von Hase (Wildlife Conservation Society), Ellane van Wyk (Wilderness Foundation Africa), will share experience about tools for innovative financing of PCAs, CTFs, CMPs, offsets and fiscal instruments (e.g., tax incentives). It will be an interactive panel discussion.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will be engaged through an interactive Q and A session

Friday 22 July, 10.30-12.00, Room AD11

CT-8

Cross-Cutting Theme-6 Parallel Workshop: Infrastructure and PCAs: Reducing the impact of physical infrastructure on ecosystems and biodiversity in key Africa landscapes

Session Manager: Lucy Waruingi

Title of Session: Planning for infrastructure with appropriate safeguards

The moderator (TBC) will introduce the session. Wendy Collinson (Endangered Wildlife Trust, TBC) will make a keynote address on planning and monitoring impacts of infrastructure.

10.30-12.00

There will be a moderated panel of 3 experts: Adam Ceesay (Wetlands International Africa Côte Occidentale Golfe de Guinée), the APAD secretariat (TBC), Lucy Waruingi (African Conservation Centre, Kenya), and Benneth Nicholas (Government of Sudan). They will share experiences on practical methods to reduce the impact of infrastructure on biodiversity, and highlight challenges and opportunities in striking a balance between conservation and development. The findings of a survey on Africa's PAs - an analysis of the current trends of impacts of infrastructure on PAs, will be shared. The PAs in South Sudan and the need to develop the infrastructure for biodiversity management.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will discuss questions in groups: What are the minimum guiding principles that should inform development in protected and conserved areas? What is required to adopt the mitigation hierarchy in designing and planning for mega infrastructure projects.

day 5

Leadership Dialogue

Friday 22 July

HL-5

Friday 22 July, 8:30-10:00, KCC Auditorium

Leadership Dialogue – Climate Change and the Biodiversity Nexus

Session Manager: Imen Meliane; Support Staff: Charles Karangwa, Sharize Odongo

There will be a Leadership Dialogue on PCAs at the centre of the “climate and Biodiversity nexus”. The discussions will focus on the message that PCAs should be a first choice for NBS and how that can be carried forward in climate discussions. It will explore what would it mean for Africa and the planet to lose existing carbon sink ecosystems, and the urgency to protect them. The need for PCAs to adapt and help people adapt to climate change will be highlighted.

8.30-10.00

The session will be Moderated by Imen Meliane, Regional Councillor Africa, IUCN. Key note address will be given by:

1. Hon. Yasmine Fouad Minister of Environment Egypt

There will be a panel with the following panellists:

1. Hon Jeanne d'arc Mujawamariya, Minister of Environment, Rwanda
2. Hon Beatrice Anywar Atim, Minister of State for Environment, Uganda
3. Hon. Aissata Daouda Diallo, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development, Mauritania
4. Elizabeth Wathuti – Environment and Climate activists, Kenya
5. Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Coordinator of the Association of Peul Women and Autochthonous Peoples of Chad

This will be followed by an open question and answer session and a concluding summary by the moderator

Cross-Cutting Theme Agendas for Stream 2 (21-22 July) in Parallel

CT-9

Thursday 21 July, 14:00-15:30, Room T2

Cross-Cutting Theme-1 Parallel Workshop: Governance and People: Governance mechanisms to safeguard biodiversity and PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Tanya Merceron

Title: Strategies for people centered conservation, a zoom on female leadership (High level dialogue of female leaders Environment Ministers in Africa)

The moderator will be Tanya Merceron (IUCN) who will provide the introduction. Solange Bandiaky – Badji, (RRI) will deliver the keynote address on debunking the myth that conservation is a male world!

14.00-15.30

Three female ministers will be on the panel: Hon. Amah Louopou (Ministre de l'environnement de Guinée), Hon. Aissata Daouda Diallo (Ministre de l'environnement de Mauritanie) and Hon. Rosalie Matondo (Ministre de l'Economie forestière du Congo). They will be joined by 3 other experts: Charlotte Karibuoye, (Fondation MAVA), Jennifer Mohamed – Katerere (Independent Human Rights and Environmental Law Expert), and Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim (TBC, Association for Indigenous Women and Peoples of Chad, AFPAT). The panellists will share experiences on the importance of gender and women in conservation.

How do the managers of PCAs take into account user rights recognized for women? Political commitments is likely to promote greater involvement of women in conservation. We need to identify the different roles of women and men vis-à-vis biodiversity: responsibilities, priorities and knowledge that affect how individuals use and manage biodiversity. The mechanisms put in place in Mauritania to strengthen the capacities of women, enable them to carry out conservation responsibilities effectively. This should include the importance of the right to land, and women's traditional knowledge. Conservation is not a “male only” world. Women and men use nature differently and have similar and different governance structures in terms of use, access and the institutions responsible. There will be a focus on the themes of rights, justice and power in protected and conserved areas. It reflects on advances for IPLC and social-ecological resilience, and hones in on the urgent (transformative) changes needed to move from rhetorical goals for rights to the realisation of rights for vulnerable and marginalised people.

After the panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in group, discuss questions: Women and girls interact in a different way to natural resources than men, they often collect water, gather wild resources and are at most risk when access to these resources is prevented through restrictive conservation practices. This session will seek to answer the following questions: How do PCAs affect women and girls specifically? Are there specific gender-based risks that need to be considered? How can the rights of women and girls be safeguarded at the local level? How can women be recognized as key decision makers in the conservation of nature?

CT-10

Thursday 21st July, 16.00-17.30, AD12

Cross-Cutting Theme-2 Parallel Workshop: Climate Change and People: Securing a climate resilient future for nature and people in and around PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Harisoa Rakotondrazafy

Title of Session: The interactions of climate change on people living adjacent to and within PCAs

The Moderator will be Nikhil Advani (WWF Director, Climate, Communities and Wildlife and Lead of climate change survey in Africa), who will provide an introduction. Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim (co-chair of the facilitative Working Group of the UNFCCC IPLC platform, Member of Indigenous People of Africa Coordinating Committee) will deliver the keynote address focusing on putting IPLCs to drive climate knowledge and locally led climate solutions around PCAs and ensuring co-benefits for nature and people.

10.30-12.00

There are five panellists: Chris Zganjar (Africa Biodiversity Collaborative Group), Aby Drame (Enda Tier Monde), José Américo Filipe and Noel Valentino (ACADIR, Angola), Olusegun Michael Ogundele (Nigerian Youth Biodiversity Network) and Patrice Bigombe (Research and Action Centre for Sustainable Development in Central Africa Cameroon). They will share experiences on the Global Change Impacts group of the ABCG which is documenting how communities are impacted by climate change, how they respond, and how their responses affect their livelihoods and biodiversity, and recognize the contribution of climate knowledge from indigenous peoples. Case of vulnerability and adaptation to climate change in and around marine protected areas (MPAs) in Senegal, and how climate change affects marine and coastal communities and ACADIR's work to establish climate resilient conservation agriculture around Luengue Luiana National Park in Angola resulted in increased yields and improved livelihoods will be also shared. The use of indigenous and local knowledge as well as the recognition of their importance for mitigation and adaptation measures will be highlighted and discussed.

After panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: What are the potential climate impacts on people? How have people responded to changes in climate and what does the implications for PCAs? How IPLCs are contributing to climate knowledge? What can we learn about adaptation and mitigation actions that involve IPLCs and what could be improved?

Friday 22 July, 10:30-12:00, Room AD12

CT-11

Cross-Cutting Theme-3 Parallel Workshop: Conflict and People: Resolving resource use conflicts as a pathway to security and conservation within and around PCAs

Session Manager: Christian Noirad

Title of Session: Food production and healthy ecosystems: Conflicts between farmers, pastoralists and wildlife

The session will be introduced by the moderator Dr Fungo Bernard (National Agricultural Research organization, Uganda), and the keynote address will be made by Dr Johnson Ogunjobi (INASER, Nigeria) will focus on the Sharing Initiative for Sustainable Agriculture and Ecological Restoration (INSAER) achievements and learning especially in the era of climate change and post COVID-19.

10.30-12.00

There will be 3 panellists: Florent Zowoyo (Country Director, WCS-CAR), Aaron Kalala Karumba (APAA Congo, Association Paysanne pour l'Autosuffisance Alimentaire, DRC), and Masegeri Rurai (Frankfurt Zoological Society, Tanzania).

They will focus interventions on: Pastoralism and conflict in northern CAR; How agroforestry helps protect biodiversity, and provide critical but declining habitats which reduces animal-human conflict is presented. Protecting pastoralists and pastures bordering PAs through improved livelihood based on healthy rangelands, healthy livestock and healthy people.

After panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: What should be done to improve food production growth without affecting biodiversity? What needs to be done to avoid conflicts between farming and pastoralism? How can farmers and pastoralists co-exist with wildlife?

Friday 22 July, 10:30-12:00, KCC Auditorium

CT-12

Cross-Cutting Theme-4 Parallel Workshop: STIK and People: How science, technology and indigenous knowledge (STIK) contributes to management effectiveness of PCAs

Session Manager: Florence Palla

Title of Session: Science and IK for Conservation in Africa with respect to rural men and women

The session will be moderated by Prof. Georg Nyamadewo (University of Zimbabwe). Prof. David Millar (President of Millar Institute for Transdisciplinary and Development Studies, Millar Open University, Ghana, TBC) will make the keynote address on what does science and IK tell us about conservation with respect to rural men and women.

There will be a moderated Panel with Christophe Ishalenge (EMERGENCE, DRC), Patrice Bigombe (Centre de Recherche and d'Action pour le Développement Durable en Afrique centrale, CERAD, Cameroon), Malih Ole Kaunga (IMPACT-PARAN Alliance, Kenya), and Américo Nhangá Wananse Sanhá, Maimuna Jaló e Elena Bersacola (l'Institut de la Biodiversité and des Aires Protégées – IBAP, Guinea-Bissau, TBC).

They will explore the role sustainable natural resources management of the Itombwe massif plays in DRC, based on integrating rights, traditional practices of local and indigenous communities. It is necessary to recognize the importance of indigenous climate knowledge, to integrate it into public policies to combat climate change. Strengthening inclusive conservation of land and natural resources in N. Kenya by facilitating solutions tailored to the context, conceived and run by indigenous people is sustainable. We seek to strengthen and sustain values of inclusive conservation through networking for learning, sharing and empowerment. Such initiatives depend on the strength of the communities. Improving knowledge of biodiversity and human-wildlife interactions can be useful in improving public health by increasing resilience to zoonotic epidemics in local communities.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: How can we integrate science and IK to enhance conservation for community resilience? How can we integrate traditional knowledge on climate change into public policy? How can STIK contribute to promoting inclusive solutions to conserve natural resources? What could be the role for STIK to promote biodiversity for addressing the challenges of pandemics?

10.30-12.00

Thursday 21 July, 10:30-12:00, Room AD12

CT-13

Cross-Cutting Theme-5 Parallel Workshop: Sustainable Finance and People: Financial resilience and sustainability are key for long-term success of PCAs

Session Manager: Sue Snyman

Title of Session: Building financial resilience for communities and their conserved areas

The session, moderated by Holly Dublin, (IUCN ESARO and Maliasili) will introduce the importance of building community financial resilience, and Patience Gandiwa (ZimParks) will make the keynote address on the need to diversify revenue streams to build sustainability and resilience.

An interactive discussion panel with Alain Liva Raharijaona (Foundation for Protected Areas and Biodiversity of Madagascar), Samson Obiene (CORDIO) and Fred Nelson (Maliasili). They will speak briefly on CTFs in Madagascar, innovative community financing and getting funding/finance to the communities on the ground.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will be engaged through an interactive Q and A session

10.30-12.00

Thursday 21 July, 16:00-17:30, KCC Auditorium

CT-14

Cross-Cutting Theme-6 Parallel Workshop: Infrastructure and People: Reducing the impact of physical infrastructure on ecosystems and biodiversity in key African landscapes

Session Manager: Lucy Waruingi

Title of Session: Sustainable infrastructure for increased benefits to local communities

The moderator (TBC), and keynote speakers (TBC) will introduce the session.

There will be a moderated panel with 3 experts: Mr. Hitesh Mehta (HM Design, USA), Scott Edwards (Conservation Strategy Fund, USA), and Edith Kahubire (AFDB World Bank, TBC). They will speak about the value and examples of participatory master planning for sustainable tourism and highlight approaches to ensure sustainability for local livelihoods and biodiversity. Leaders are grappling to promote economic development and reduce poverty while prioritizing the conservation of Africa's unique natural resources. The Conservation Strategy Fund's capacity-building program provides policymakers and conservationists as to how to use economics to identify solutions that make it possible to have a healthy and strong economy while safeguarding the environment. The session will share on financing sustainable infrastructure for sustainable development – provisions by development finance.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will, in groups, discuss questions: What are the lessons learned from countries which implemented guidelines for sustainable infrastructure? At which level are financing institutions following "green guidelines" that also include benefits for local communities?

16.00-17.30

Cross-Cutting Theme Agendas for Stream 3 (21- 22 July) in Parallel

Friday 22 July, 10:30-12:00, Room T1

CT-15

Cross-Cutting Theme-1 Parallel Workshop: Governance and Biodiversity: Governance mechanisms to safeguard biodiversity and PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Tanya Merceron

Title: Role of IPLCs in PCA management and biodiversity conservation

Nianogo Aimé will moderate the session and Patrick Kipalu (RRI) will deliver the keynote on Tenure and Beyond: The Effective Way to Achieving the 30x30 Goals*.

There will be 4 panellists providing short commentaries including: Susan Canney (Mali Elephant Project, Wild Foundation, Mali-UK), Emmmanuel Nuesiri (IUCN-NRGF), and Maguette Diaw (Président de l'association nationale des aires et territoires du patrimoine communautaire – APAC - du Sénégal), and Alpha Diallo (Green-transformation2050 Guinea).

They will share experiences on how to make local communities the centre of conservation, draw the attention of decision-makers and managers to the effective beneficial involvement of communities living in and around PAs and emphasize gender in local governance, and accountability as rights in natural resource governance. The governance of PAs based on community surveillance, and integrating community monitors into PA monitoring is important. We will show how the Pygmies', through images, reconcile conservation with the interests of local people on the borders of a PA, and show how local communities contribute to sustainable management of natural resources of Haut Niger National Park. The conservation of this PA cannot be effective without community participation. OECMs could be a solution for recognizing this role but there are constraints.

After the panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: What is the role of IPLCs in conservation? What lessons can we learn and what actions are needed? How can we better respect IPLC cultural values of biodiversity?

10.30-12.00

Thursday 21 July, 16.00-17.30, Room AD12

CT-16

Cross-Cutting Theme-2 Parallel Workshop: Climate Change and Biodiversity: Securing a climate resilient future for nature and people in and around PCAs in Africa

Session Manager: Harisoa Rakotondrazafy

Title of Session: The impact of climate change on biodiversity and paradigm shift to manage for change

The moderator, Wendy Foden (Head, Science at the Cape Research Centre, South African National Parks and Chair of the IUCN Species Survival Commission's Climate Change Specialist Group) will introduce the session. Sibongile Mavimbela (Senior Programme Officer, Environment and Climate Change, SADC) will deliver the keynote address on biodiversity management and climate change responses in Africa: current realities and perspectives.

There are 4 panellists: Kevin Coldrey (Environmental Policy Research Unit, UCT, South Africa), Elise Belle (UNEP-WCMC Europe), Harison Andriambelo (Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, Madagascar), and Marie Tamoifo, (President, Youth Alliance, climate change, Cameroon).

They will share experience on the vulnerability framework of terrestrial biodiversity and PCAs and results across Africa and an assessment of the vulnerability of protected areas to the impacts of climate change in West Africa and management recommendations for transboundary sites. The current and potential future distributions of West African biodiversity in response to global climate and other changes and designing conservation strategies to optimize biodiversity conservation will be shared. The vulnerability of biodiversity to climate change in Ramsar sites in Madagascar and responses will be presented. The session will share how the youth climate change network can contribute to increase pledges to address climate impacts on biodiversity.

After panellists have made their presentations, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as: What are the current and potential impacts of climate on biodiversity? what do these impacts mean for conservation and PCAs? How can we build the resilience of biodiversity within PCAs? What bold commitments are needed to secure Africa biodiversity under changing climate?

14.00-15.30

Thursday 21 July, 10.30-12:00, Room MH1

CT-17

Cross-Cutting Theme-3 Parallel Workshop: Conflict and Biodiversity: Resolving resource use conflicts as a pathway to security and conservation within and around PCAs

Session Manager: Christian Noirad

Title of Session: Conflicts between PCAs and IPLCs

Gloria Ujor (Africa IUCN Councillor, Nigeria) will moderate, and Emmanuel Sulle, (ICCA Consortium, South Africa) will introduce the challenges conservation is facing as a moment of reckoning, with growing pressures to address human rights (HR) violations in the name of conservation and to support IPLCs who are resisting harmful industries in their collective lands and territories of life. This keynote will speak to power at this moment of reckoning and call on APAC to rise to the challenge of new directions for equitable conservation in Africa.

10.30-12.00

Four panellists will share experiences: Patrice Bigombe (CERAD, Cameroon), Quintino Tchantchalam, e Dr Alfredo Simao da Silva (Instituto da Biodiversidade e das Areas Protegidas, Guinea-Bissau), Sahailou Samaila (Fauna Director Environment Minister - Niger), and Salatou Sambou (coordinator of KAWAWANA CPA – Senegal).

Approaches to conservation based on respect for HR is becoming a reality in Central Africa, by using social and safeguard policies and implementing memoranda of understanding amongst IPLCs. There are challenges in conservation approaches based on respect for HR, e.g., integrating this into policies for managing PAs. The role of MPA governance structures and the different actors involved in conflict resolution will be explored through sharing Guinea-Bissau's experience in conflict resolution. Relationship between neighbouring communities in transboundary situations (Niger, Benin Burkina-Faso) will be shared, as well as an example of a model of human-PA conflict resolution through community protected areas. This session will engage participants to advance rights-based approaches to area conservation relevant to the needs of Africa.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will, in groups, discuss such questions as how can HR abuses be addressed by PCA managers and local authorities? What systems should be put in place to eliminate conflicts between PCAs?? How should the central government ensure zero tolerance to HR abuses?

Thursday 21 July, 10:30-12:00, Room T1

CT-18

Cross-Cutting Theme-4 Parallel Workshop: STIK and Biodiversity: How science, technology and indigenous knowledge (STIK) contribute to management effectiveness of PCAs

Session Manager: Florence Palla

Title of Session: Science and IK for conservation in Africa with respect to biodiversity

Prof Kwame Frimpong (Cape Coast University Ghana, TBC) will introduce the session as to what can science and indigenous knowledge do for sustainable biodiversity management. Dr Samson Gwali (National Agriculture Research organization, Uganda, TBC) will deliver a keynote address.

10.30-12.00

The panel will be Egwim Evans (Federal University of Technology, Nigeria, TBC), Aissa Regalla de Barros (Institut de la Biodiversité and des Aires Protégées - IBAP; Guinea-Bissau, TBC), and Chifundera Kusamba Zacharie (Université Pédagogique Nationale DRC).

Research in coastal areas needs to be explored by Africans, and research networks should focus on young researchers to develop products from coastal resources. The importance of mollusc resources in the Bijagós community will be highlighted. Molluscs are a sedentary whose exploitation raises questions about the coastal environment including mangroves and water quality. It is important to improve knowledge relating to the biology and ecology of key species, in terms of their distribution area, biological cycles, which can be used to determine the limits and optimal conditions of exploitation. Herpetological diversity indices are a reliable and verifiable scientific means for identifying priority sites for conservation.

After panellists make comments, the audience will, in groups, discuss questions: What could be the role of universities in STIK in conserving Africa's biodiversity? What could be the role of traditional knowledge initiatives in fostering the conservation of PAs? How can STIK improve monitoring and protection of biodiversity in PAs in the next 10 years.

Thursday 21 July, 14:00-17:30, Room MH1

CT-19

Cross-Cutting Theme-5 Parallel Workshop: Sustainable Finance and Biodiversity: Financial resilience and sustainability are key for long-term success of PCAs

Session Manager: Sue Snyman

Title: Show me the money: Sustainable financing for PCAs in Africa

The session will be moderated by Edwin Tambara (AWF), and David Ombisi, UNEP, African Union - Green Stimulus Programme will make the keynote address on finance for biodiversity as Africa's natural infrastructure. Roman Eyholzer (Porini Foundation) will make a TEDx-talk on nature collectibles - blockchain technology (Seychelles).

14.00-17.30

There will be a moderated panel by Pauline Nantongo (ECOTrust) with Peter Katanisa (NCA COP), Sue Snyman (ALU SOWC), and Marie Suzanna (RAMPAO). They will speak on natural capital, wildlife economy and promoting and strengthening the financial sustainability of marine and coastal biodiversity conservation in West Africa.

A second panel moderated by Kathleen Fitzgerald on 'Demystifying Carbon' Mike Korchinsky (Wildlife Works in DRC) will provide a recorded interview on Trends in REDD+ and the carbon market. Other panellists include Roland Hunter (Southpole), Jonas Syapze (WWF) and James Kairo (Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute). They will focus interventions on nature-based projects and barriers and opportunities to accessing carbon finance, the landscape of Trinational Dja, Odzala and Minkebe (TRIDOM, Gabon, Congo and Cameroon), community engagement in REDD+, and mangrove carbon (Mikoko Pamoja Kenya).

After panellists make their comments, the audience will discuss questions on conservation finance, natural capital; finance for marine biodiversity, REDD+, emerging financial technologies (Blockchain, NFTs); and wildlife economies.

Thursday 21 July, 10:30-12:00, Room T2

CT-20

Cross-Cutting Theme-6 Parallel Workshops Infrastructure and Biodiversity: Reducing the impact of physical infrastructure on ecosystems and biodiversity in key African landscapes

Session Manager: Lucy Waruingi

Title of Session: Resilient landscapes: ensuring no net-loss of biodiversity due to infrastructure

The moderator (TBC) will introduce the session and Frank Turyatunga (UNEP Africa Representative) will give a keynote address on "Futures thinking for Africa related to linear infrastructure".

10.30-12.00

There will be a moderated panel of 3 experts: Amrei Von Hase (WCS), Demba Marico, PRCM, Senegal), and Lucy Waruingi (ACC). They will share experiences as to how COMBO demonstrates implementation of effective mitigation and offset policies reduce harm to nature and support progress towards national contributions to global targets. Balancing nature and development can generate finances for investment in PA management and support sustainable growth. Partnerships for conserving coastal areas and the sea can help sustainably manage marine biodiversity and coastal areas using the proxy of environmentally sensitive areas. Connectivity conservation, and innovations are accelerating this work as to how sectors from agriculture to infrastructure are part of the solution, and will look ahead to the crucial opportunities we need to collectively capitalize on to secure a connected and resilient Africa for nature and people.

After panellists make their comments, the audience will discuss questions: What future scenarios for landscapes and seascapes can be predicted? Which policies needed to be put in place to ensure sustainable landscapes?

Stream Concluding Session: Key Recommendations, Actions and Challenges – Friday 22 July 14:00–17:00

Friday 22 July, 14:00-17:00, Stream 1-KCC Auditorium; Stream 2-MH1; Stream 3-T1

Stream Wrap up sessions to summarize key messages, actions and recommendations

14.00-15.30

1. Each Stream Session moderated by Stream leads.
2. Each stream receives reports from Cross-Cutting themes, relevant side events and pavilions.
3. In advance each stream agrees on a series of questions to address (concerning recommendations, action points, learning, for example): What are the key action points and recommendations? What are the key things that have been learnt? What key challenges have been identified?
4. Each table or group of about 20 participants discuss and summarize their responses to these questions

16.00-17.00

Agree on the key components of the Stream Reports
Small drafting team develop stream reports (evening of Friday 22 July and morning of Saturday 23 July)

day 6

Plenary Closing Day

Saturday 23 July

Saturday 23 July, 8:30-17:00, KCC Auditorium

Closing Plenary and Report Back

Manager (TBC)

8.30-
12.00

Report back and Closure:

- Festival organized by Kigali
- Finalize Stream Report back preparation
- Final discussions and Agreement on Kigali Action Plan by working group

14.00-17.00

1. Introductory remarks by Master of Ceremonies
2. Stream 1 Report Back (10 min)
3. Stream 2 Report Back (10 min)
4. Stream 3 Report Back (10 min)
5. Reading and Ratification by acclaim of Kigali Call to Action by the Minister of Environment Rwanda
6. Statements of commitments from Development Partners and Key Organizations

Closing remarks by:

1. Kaddu Sebunya - CEO AWF
2. Bruno Oberle - Director General IUCN
3. Hon Jeanne d'arc Mujawamariya, Minister of Environment, Rwanda

Delegates Depart evening of 23 July, or on 24 July, or go on tourism trip