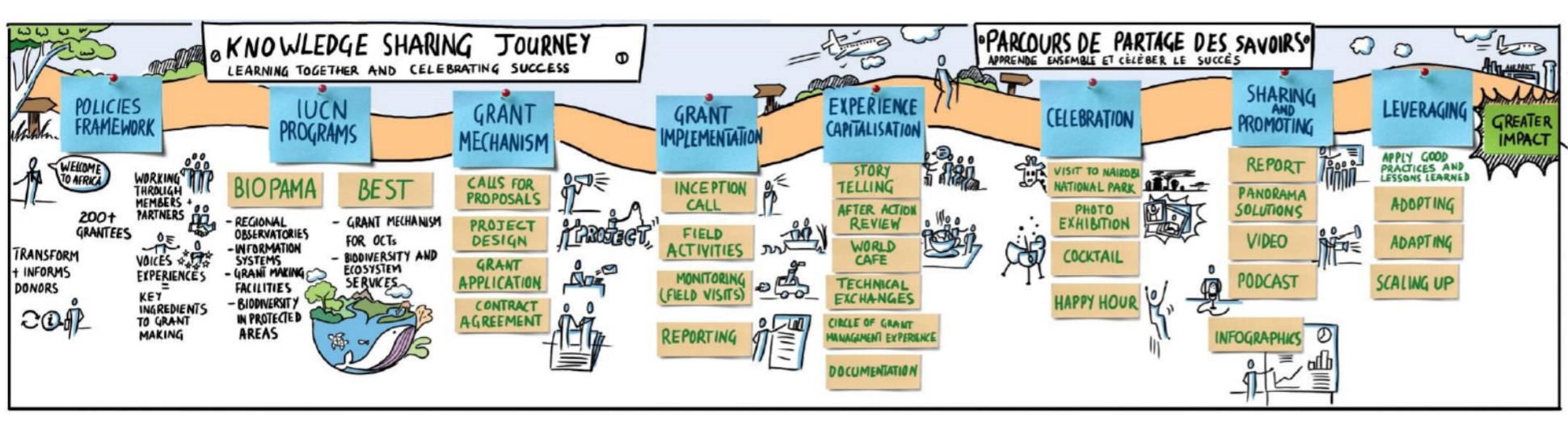




# BEST & BIOPAMA GRANTS KNOWLEDGE SHARING JOURNEY

Learning together and celebrating success



## THE JOURNEY

From February to September 2023, IUCN, through The BEST - Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in Territories of European Overseas initiative and BIOPAMA – The Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management Programme, facilitated a **Knowledge Sharing Journey** - an initiative that gathered 83 professionals from 43 countries in Africa, the Caribbean, Europe and the Pacific to discuss, share and document the grant-facility mechanisms and the grant projects' results and lessons learned through online and in-person workshops.

**Now, it's time to share all the knowledge captured with you.** In this poster you will be able to access the collection of knowledge products.

## KNOWLEDGE SHARING JOURNEY VIDEO

A colourful account of the in-person workshop celebrated in Nairobi on 2-6 May that brought together + 80 grantees and IUCN staff from BEST and BIOPAMA as part of the joint Knowledge Sharing Journey.



## PHOTO EXHIBITION

Stroll through this photo exhibition capturing the local conservation actions from grantees in the field during both BEST 2.0+ and BIOPAMA programmes.

This photo exhibition highlights projects from 7 regions in 31 countries worldwide.



## PODCASTS

Welcome to **"Beyond Borders: Exploring Global Conservation and Restoration"**, a podcast series that brings you captivating stories and valuable insights from projects supported by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). We are thrilled to present three podcasts that explore the realms of **Protected Area Management and Governance, Ecosystem Restoration, and Biodiversity Monitoring and Species Conservation**. Join us as we discuss these critical topics and learn from the experiences of dedicated and passionate conservationists who are making a difference. Let's dive in!

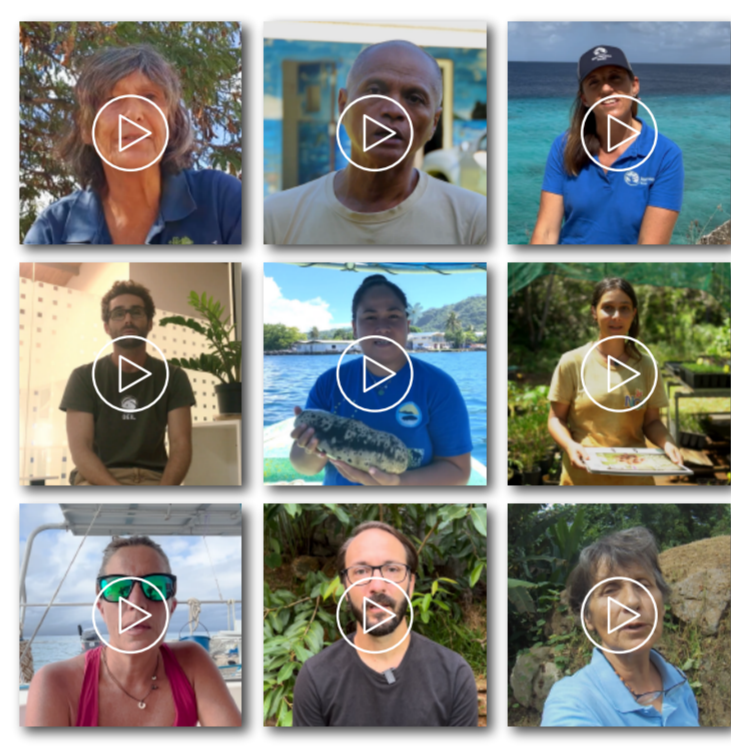


## BEST 2.0+ KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS



**VIDEO**  
**BEST 2.0+: A GLIMPSE INTO THE PROGRAMME**  
An overview of this funding initiative that features key information on the number and type of beneficiaries and the funding areas, and the inspiring reflection on 12 years of success of this initiative by MEP Stéphane Bijoux.

**BEST 2.0+ GRANTEES' VIDEOS**  
Testimonials of BEST2.0+ grantees that explain how the grants were useful for their work, the most significant changes triggered by them and how their organisations and communities enjoyed and learned from this experience.



**BEST 2.0+ KNOWLEDGE BRIEF**  
A deep dive into the programme that intends to serve as a guide for grant-making at IUCN, and that encapsulates the knowledge gained through a capitalisation experience that identified good practices and lessons learnt.



**VIDEO**  
**BEST 2.0+: RESULTS AND LESSONS LEARNT**  
An overview of this funding initiative that features key information on the number and type of beneficiaries and the funding areas, engaging experiences by some BEST 2.0+ grantees and the aspirations and perspectives offered by the new BESTLIFE2030.

## BIOPAMA KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS

**STORIES OF CHANGE – BIOPAMA GRANTEE TESTIMONIALS**  
Hear about how BIOPAMA grantees have generated positive impacts for nature and people, through our series of 44 Stories of Change video testimonials.



**BIOPAMA ACTION COMPONENT IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA**  
The BIOPAMA Action Component provides funding opportunities to address protected and conserved areas, sustainable use of biodiversity, natural resources priorities for actions on the ground. This publication presents results and draw lessons from implementation between from September 2019 to September 2023.



**LE FONDS D'ACTION DE BIOPAMA EN AFRIQUE CENTRALE ET OCCIDENTALE**  
The document presents the results and lessons learned from the implementation of the action component in the region from June 2019 to December 2022. The publication is available in French.

## PANORAMA SOLUTIONS

Through in-depth write-shop sessions, the BEST and BIOPAMA grantees documented their rich experiences from the field as solution case studies, outlining the factors contributing to the success of the projects that were funded by the grant programmes. The PANORAMA approach and case study format provided a way of reflecting on "solution" outcomes from the projects, and the critical success factors and lessons learned that contributed to these outcomes, in a structured manner. The resulting solution case studies cover a vast range of topics, ranging from eradication of invasive species on islands, protected area governance and equity assessments, to the use of cultural values to save mountain gorillas. The solutions are published under PANORAMA 30x30 Solutions as well as PANORAMA Blue. Check them out!

- Access of vulnerable community members to income generating bivalve aquaculture in northern Mozambique
- Advanced technology enhancing convectional efforts: use of drone patrols in a effective anti-poaching for loggerhead turtles
- A lifebelt for Cousin Island Special Reserve MPA
- Amélioration de la gestion des aires protégées au Sénégal
- Applying a multi-faceted approach to achieve long-term sustainable conservation goals in a programme for the reintroduction of Critically Endangered western lowland gorillas to a protected area within the Republic of Congo
- Assessment of Governance and Equity of Lumo and Satao Elerai Conservancies for improved conservation and development outcomes
- Caractérisation des habitats de l'omble de fontaine à Saint-Pierre et Miquelon
- Conservation Dogs & Drones for the protection of endangered sea turtles in Cabo Verde
- Digitising Data Collection for Enhanced Wildlife Management
- Eco-Friendly Leather Tanning and Manufacturing as a tool to improve livelihoods for women in pastoral communities of Tanzania and Kenya
- Enhancing community-based eco-tourism enterprises to strengthen financial sustainability conservation in the Maya Golden Landscape of Southern Belize
- Enhancing Community Resilience against the impacts of COVID-19 in the Kamungi Conservancy, Southern Kenya
- Enhancing effective management and protection of the Uzungwa Scarp Nature Forest Reserve, a threatened tropical biodiversity hotspot in Tanzania
- Enhancing Governance and Conservation in biodiversity protected area management
- Enhancing management in a marine protected area through strengthened partnerships
- Establishment of strategic enforcement plan/framework for improved management effectiveness, which can be applied to other protected areas
- Évaluation de la distribution spatiale d'une espèce d'holothurie (Holothuria fuscogilva) dans le lagon de Vairao (Tahiti)
- Harnessing local knowledge to protect the free roaming black rhinos in the Kunene and Erongo regions of Namibia - let locals fill the boots
- Identifying key biodiversity threats and conservation interventions through management and governance assessment
- Implication des peuples autochtones Batwa dans la gestion de la réserve naturelle de Bururi
- Improved capacity for Conservation Action and Sustainable Management: Data collection to inform biodiversity conservation, wildlife protection and general area surveillance programmes within the PSEPA
- Improving socio-economic livelihoods of local communities to foster wetland restoration/regeneration and sustainable use of natural resources in Nzuguto community wetland
- Integration of the Batwa cultural values to save world mountain gorillas at Bwindi using GAPA
- Intercommunalité pour une gouvernance plus inclusive dans la Vallée du Sitatung
- Larval propagation to assist the recovery and resilience of Bonaire coral populations in the face of new diseases and environmental changes
- Local communities drive vulture conservation initiative across the Kavango-Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area: a success story of Zimbabwe, Botswana, and Zambia
- Mangrove Restoration Bonaire
- Mobilisation participative d'informations dans le processus de candidature du Parc national de Tai à la Liste Verte de l'IUCN
- Projet Chiroptères : Inventaire des cortèges chiroptères présents dans les îles Eparses appartenant aux Terres Australes et Antarctiques Françaises
- Projet d'appui à la consolidation de la Lutte Anti Braconnage (LAB) dans les complexes W-Arly-Pendjari (WAP Burkina) et Po-Nazinga-Sissili (PoNaSi)
- Promotion des Activités Génératrices de Revenus (AGRs) par le renforcement des capacités des acteurs locaux dans le paysage de conservation de Douala-Edéa (Parc National Marin de Douala-Edéa et la Réserve de Faune du Lac Ossa)
- Promouvoir la Culture au bénéfice de la préservation de la Nature
- Protecting Chumbe Island Nature Reserve from increased poaching threats due to COVID-19 pandemic, through re-assignment of local rangers, skills development of youth fishers, and sustaining its conservation activities
- Renforcer la capacité des populations locales à la production de plants pour la restauration de sites dégradés
- Restoration of Kamaka Island, a sanctuary for Gambier biodiversity
- Site level Assessment of Governance and Equity (SAGE) in Makame and Burunge Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) located in the Northern part of Tanzania
- Strengthening of Coastal Zone Management Initiatives for the 3-Bays Marine Managed Area, Haiti
- Testing new low-tech ecological restoration techniques within tribal communities in New Caledonia
- The conservation and protection of seabirds in Kiritimati Island
- The development of a resilient sustainable finance plan for the Caribbean Coastal Area Management Foundation (C-CAM) to support the implementation of management actions in the Portland Bight Protected Area (PBPA), Jamaica
- Updating the management plan of Mangabe Reserve and assisting local communities through improving infrastructure and facilities
- Using the IMET to identify priorities for management in two protected areas in Boa Vista, Cabo Verde
- Utilisation des outils d'évaluation IMET et SAPA pour identifier les priorités d'interventions dans la Réserve de la Bouche du Roy
- WIO-COMPAS Assessment: A Mentorship Approach Towards Building MPA Staff Capacity