

Seminars on nature conservation in German  
development cooperation

## **Biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing**

9 – 14 July 2023

## **The 30x30 challenge: The role of Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures and Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas**

14 – 19 August 2023

International Academy for Nature Conservation  
Isle of Vilm



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### **Background**

The series of seminars on nature conservation in development cooperation has been held at the International Academy for Nature Conservation Isle of Vilm since 1999. It is jointly organised by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and KfW Development Bank on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the International Academy for Nature Conservation, Isle of Vilm, of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN). The first seminar “Biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing” presents an overview and update of the most relevant concepts. Based on a combination of practical examples, tools and trends in biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing and development, it provides a good platform for exchanging experiences. The second seminar is devoted to the in-depth consideration of a specific topic identified as being of particular interest. Based on ongoing discussions in international biodiversity policy fora, the topic “The 30x30 challenge: The role of Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures and Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas” was chosen for 2023. The language of both seminars will be English.

### **Venue**

Both seminars will take place at the International Academy for Nature Conservation Isle of Vilm (see <https://www.bfn.de/en/international-academy-nature-conservation-isle-vilm>), an island in the Baltic Sea next to Ruegen Island. The Isle of Vilm has been a protected area for many centuries.

### **Target group**

The target group of the seminars are practitioners at the interface of development cooperation, biodiversity conservation and climate change (GIZ, KfW, BMZ, BMUV, consulting companies, foundations, NGOs, universities, partner organisations).

The number of participants is limited to 20 for the seminar “Biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing” and to 25 for the seminar “The 30x30 challenge: The role of OECMs and ICCAs”.

## Biodiversity conservation for human wellbeing, 9 – 14 July 2023

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### Objectives

#### Participants

- are aware of the significance of biodiversity for the provision of ecosystem services - hence: for human wellbeing,
- are familiar with the new Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) and with new concepts, instruments and trends of conservation and development cooperation,
- analyse opportunities and challenges provided by the GBF of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) for German development cooperation in the area of biodiversity conservation,
- learn from each other's experiences

### Contents

The following topics will be addressed through inputs, case studies, group work and discussions:

- global trends with relevance for biodiversity conservation versus the relevance of biodiversity conservation for sustainable development
- new directions arising from the new GBF
- current trends in German development cooperation with regard to biodiversity conservation
- conservation in the land- and seascape: concepts, current issues and developments
- financing biodiversity conservation
- balancing conservation with livelihoods interests: a critical review of approaches and achievements

Part of the seminar will be a related field trip.

## The 30x30 challenge: The role of Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures and Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas, 14 – 19 August 2023

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### Background

In December 2022, the “Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework” (GBF) was adopted. Four goals and twenty-three targets have been adopted to “take urgent action to halt and reverse biodiversity loss to put nature on a path to recovery for the benefit of people and planet (...)” These targets address conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, fair and equitable access and sharing of benefits and cover important means of implementation.

Additionally, the GBF emphasizes the need to foster the full, equitable and effective contribution of various stakeholder groups – among them women, youth, indigenous people and local communities, civil society – and it highlights the need for a “whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach”.

During this year's seminar, we would like to put a focus on the 30x30 challenge that arises from action target 3 of the GBF that calls for the effective and rights-based conservation of at least 30 per cent of terrestrial, inland water, and coastal and marine areas by 2030. The seminar intends to shed light particularly on the role of other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs) and indigenous and community conserved areas (ICCAs) for achieving target 3. Learning from the challenges that arose during the implementation process of Aichi target 11, participants will discuss and elaborate what possibilities (German) development cooperation has to support the recognition and reporting of effectively and equitably governed OECMs and ICCAs that are delivering conservation outcomes.

## Objectives

### Participants

- are aware of the new GBF, its targets and means of implementation
- understand the full scope of target 3 and other area-based targets and are inspired to contribute to the implementation of target 3 in their various work contexts in close collaboration with the partner organisations
- critically reflect the Aichi target 11 implementation process
- understand the challenges that arise for partner organisations in extending the coverage and improving the effectiveness of protected and conserved areas
- understand the concept of OECMs and are familiar with steps and tools to identify and assess, support and monitor potential OECMs
- understand the concept and relevance of ICCAs and are aware of opportunities, but also challenges related to the promotion of ICCAs
- are aware of sustainable financing mechanisms for OECMs and ICCAs
- understand the specific challenges of OECMs and ICCAs in the marine sector
- understand rights-based approaches in conservation and particularly reflect on the role of indigenous women in the sustainable and equitable management of ICCAs and the role of marginalized groups and minorities in OECMs

A related field trip will take place during the seminar.

### Costs

**1st seminar (9-14 July):** approx. 500 € per participant (including full board and lodging)

**2nd seminar (14-19 August):** approx. 980 € per participant (including full board and lodging)

The final fee can only be set by mid May 2023. A late cancellation of your registration within 30 days prior to the start of the seminar will imply a fee of about 500 € in case no substitute can be found. There are no reductions possible. When applying, applicants should have clarified that they / who will bear the costs of attending (incl. travel costs).

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### How to apply

Please apply by filling in and submitting the attached application form. Please note that there is a form for each seminar.

**Deadline for the application:**

**31 March 2023**

**Confirmations will be sent out by 30 April 2023.**

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