

**IUCN GREEN LIST OF PROTECTED AND CONSERVED AREAS** 

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# The IUCN Green List Standard



### What is the IUCN Green list?

- a global standard for conservation success
- adaptable to the local context of any country or region
- a **voluntary** commitment
- an incentive measure to improve performance
- a credible, independently assured evaluation procedure
- a global recognition for protected areas and their staff
- a tool to encourage conservation outcomes
- applicable to any protected or conserved area; from World Heritage Areas to locally-managed marine areas.



### The IUCN GLCPA Theory of Change

Direct results

Intermediate results

Long-term results

GLPCA Standard provides credible, global, aspirational framework for achieving nature conservation in PAs

Evaluation identifies pathways and targets for interventions and support to achieve conservation success

Fairly governed and effectively managed PAs that are achieving their objectives are identified, celebrated, and promoted Recognition and support for PAs through an effective conservation tool

More effective targeting and use of resources to achieve conservation impacts

Value for managers, communities, partners, stakeholders

Training and capacity-building, peer networks of PA experts and practitioners

Value for governing agencies, donors, investors, sponsors

Increasing global area of well-designed, fairly governed & effectively managed PAs achieving their intended objectives



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#### EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT

- □ Long-term management plan
- Manage ecological conditions
- Manage within social and economic context
- Manage threats
- ☐ Effectively enforce laws
- Manage access and use
- ☐ Measure success

#### **GOOD GOVERNANCE**

- ☐ Guarantee legitimacy and voice
- □ Achieve transparency and accountability
- ☐ Enable governance vitality and capacity to respond adaptively

# SUCCESSFUL CONSERVATION OUTCOMES

- □ Demonstrate conservation of major natural values
- □ Demonstrate conservation of ecosystem services
- Demonstrate conservation of cultural values

### SOUND DESIGN AND PLANNING

- ☐ Identify major site values
- ☐ Design for long-term conservation
- ☐ Understand threats and challenges
- ☐ Understand social and economic context



# GLOBAL STANDARD, LOCAL CONTEXT



Adaptable for country or region

Performance Pillars 18 Criteria

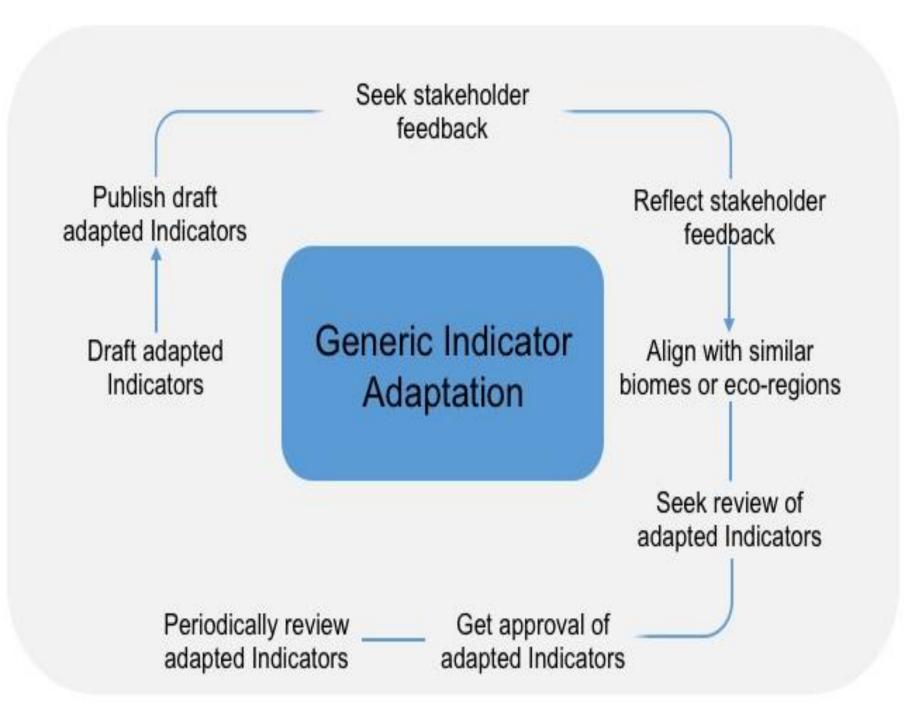
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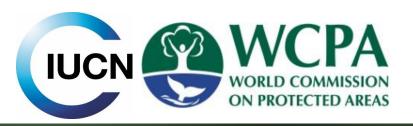
Means of Verification

Design and Planning
Governance
Management
Successful Conservation

Adapted to local context - to take account of key differences in the country or jurisdiction.

Criteria are the globally consistent requirements that a Protected Area must meet in order for it to achieve the Green List





# **EXPERT ASSESSMENT GROUPS (EAGL)**

- Identify 8-12 EAGL members
- Ensure diverse skills, background
- Sign TOR and conflict of interest; join IUCN-WCPA
- •Independent Reviewer
- PA Agency is usually the key partner, host, non-voting

ESTABLISH EAGL

# GREEN LIST PROCESS

- Adapt Global Standard
- Promote Green List in country
- Select PAs to register
- Assign mentors to PA candidates
- Evaluate PA nominations

- Submit evaluations to IUCN
- Promote successful PAs
- Improvement plans to PA candidates
- Registrations, pipeline of applicants
- Evaluate full nominations

RECURRENT TASKS



# **GREEN LIST PROCESS**





- Demonstrate basic ingredients to comply with Green List Standards
- Self-assessment
- Stakeholder feedback







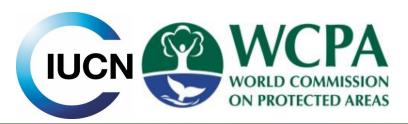
- Self-assessment
- Site visit including stakeholder input
- EAGL evaluation
- Reviewer validation





CONGRESS

- Panel review
- IUCN Recognize successful PA on global Green List

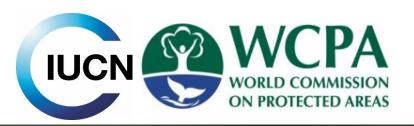




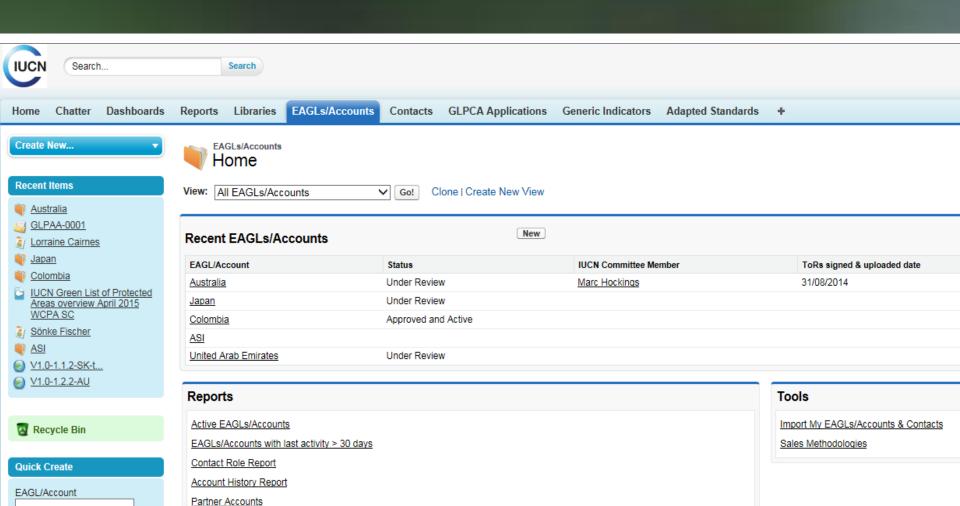
# **GREEN LIST ASSURANCE**



- Reviewer to work with each EAGL
- Audit Green List process
- Appointed and accredited by 3<sup>rd</sup> Party (ASI)
- Culturally and linguistically intune
- Partnership model with EAGL
- Assure all aspects of the process
- Role provides credibility that all Green List protected areas achieve on MERIT

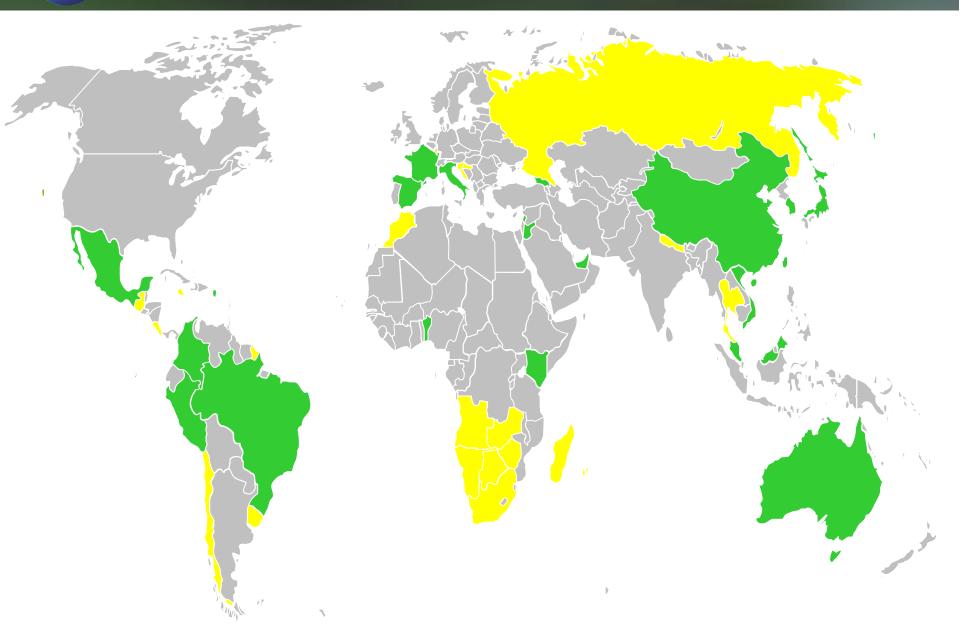


## **DATA MANAGEMENT**





# GLOBAL GREEN LIST COMMUNITY





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### Get involved:

- Consider being PA expert/EAGL member
- Contribute to standard / criteria / indicators
- Promote toolkit to assess PA practices
- Help to publicise the GLPCA in your country
- Contact us with your ideas