

IUCN GREEN LIST

PROTECTED AND CONSERVED AREAS



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Green List history

2008

- Concept developed by WCPA – 1st pilot in Colombia 2010

2012

- IUCN Resolution, pilot phase

2014

- IUCN World Parks Congress pilot awards

2016

- WCC Hawai'i; Green List in CBD COP Mexico Declaration

2017

- IUCN Council approve Green List Standard

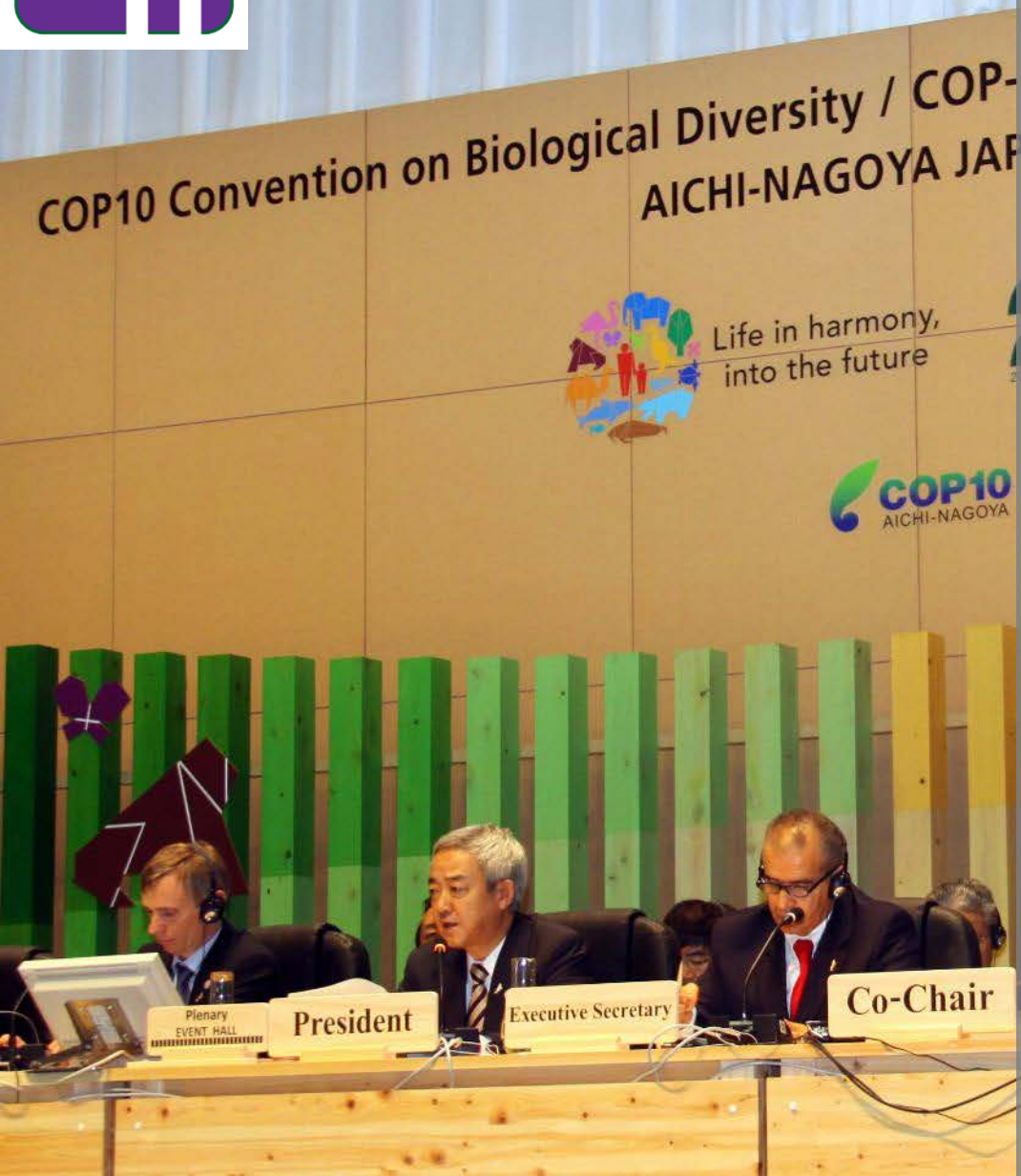
2018

- Operational – CBD COP 14 EGYPT for award ceremony 2018



Aichi Target 11

By 2020, at least 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water areas and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services, are **conserved through effectively and equitably managed**, ecologically representative and well-connected systems of **protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures**, and integrated into the wider landscape and seascape





What is the Green List?

Voluntary

- Global Standard
- Locally relevant process
- Certification

Incentive

- Investment
- Improvement
- Recognition

National and local
commitment

Direct results

Improved capacity and exchange among peer networks of conservation experts and practitioners.

The IUCN Green List implementation and evaluation process identifies pathways and targets for action to achieve conservation success.

The IUCN Green List Programme certifies, celebrates and promotes protected and conserved areas that are effectively and fairly achieving their conservation goals.

Intermediate results

Growing recognition and support for protected and conserved areas through an effective area-based conservation standard.

More effective targeting and use of resources to achieve enhanced conservation impacts.

Value for managers, communities, partners, stakeholders.

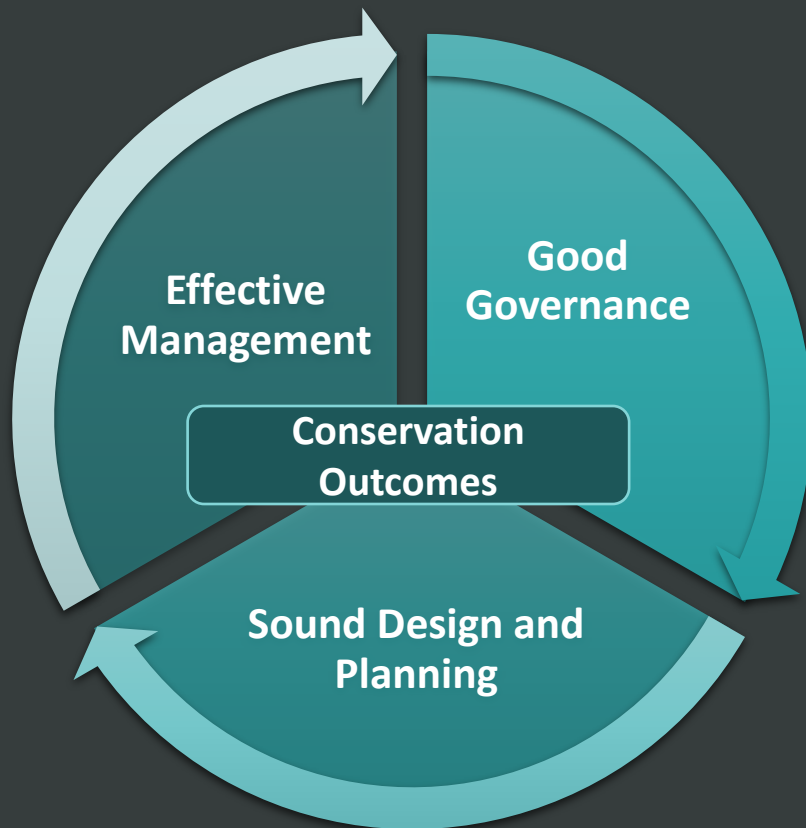
Value for governing agencies, donors, investors, sponsors.

Long-term result

Increasing global area of well-designed, fairly governed, and effectively managed protected and conserved areas achieving their intended objectives, and contributing to global sustainability goals.

Verify performance

IUCN GREEN LIST STANDARD

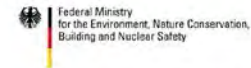


IUCN Green List of Protected and Conserved Areas: Standard, Version 1.1

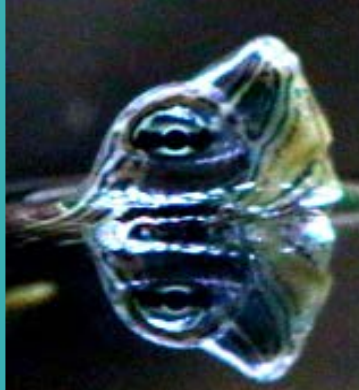
The global standard for protected areas in the 21st Century



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based on a decision of the German Bundestag



Green List Standard

COMPONENTS

- Three central elements to area-based conservation
- Combined, these deliver successful conservation outcomes

CRITERIA

- 17 criteria that describe success
- Globally consistent

INDICATORS

- 50 generic indicators
- Adaptable to a regional or national context



Good Governance

- 1.1 Guarantee legitimacy and voice**
- 1.2 Achieve transparency and accountability**
- 1.3 Enable governance vitality and capacity to respond adaptively**



Sound Planning & Design

- 2.1 Identify major site values**
- 2.2 Design for long-term conservation**
- 2.3 Understand threats and challenges**
- 2.4 Understand social and economic context**



Effective Management

- 3.1 Long-term management plan**
- 3.2 Manage ecological conditions**
- 3.3 Manage within social and economic context**
- 3.4 Manage threats**
- 3.5 Effectively enforce laws**
- 3.6 Manage access and use**
- 3.7 Measure success**



Conservation Outcomes

- 4.1 Demonstrate conservation of major natural values**
- 4.2 Demonstrate conservation of ecosystem services**
- 4.3 Demonstrate conservation of major cultural values**

Component 1: GOOD GOVERNANCE

Green List sites demonstrate equitable and effective governance

Criterion 1.1 GUARANTEE LEGITIMACY AND VOICE

There are clearly defined, legitimate equitable and functional governance arrangements, in which the interests of civil society, rights-holders and stakeholders, are fairly represented and addressed, including those relating to the establishment or designation of the site.

Criterion 1.2 ACHIEVE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Governance arrangements and decision-making processes are transparent and appropriately communicated, and responsibilities for implementation are clear, including a readily accessible process to identify, hear and resolve complaints, disputes, or grievances.

Criterion 1.3 ENABLE GOVERNANCE VITALITY AND CAPACITY TO RESPOND ADAPTIVELY

Planning and management draws on the best available knowledge of the social and ecological context of the site, using an adaptive management framework that anticipates, learns from and responds to change in its decision-making.

Criterion	Generic Indicator No.	Generic Indicator	Sample Means of Verification
1.1 GUARANTEE LEGITIMACY AND VOICE	GLPCA-V1.1-1.1.1	The site's governance structure is clearly defined and documented and in accordance with relevant national or regional government, jurisdiction or recognised authority specifications	Foundational documents or equivalent containing rules, bylaws, governance structure
	GLPCA-V1.1-1.1.2	The site's and local governance structures and mechanisms provide civil society, stakeholders and rights-holders with appropriate opportunities to participate in management planning, processes and actions	Foundational documents or equivalent explaining rules, bylaws, governance structure Minutes of meetings during management plan development
	GLPCA-V1.1-1.1.4	Rights-holders and stakeholders are effectively involved in decision-making and the adaptive management of the site.	Clear identification of rights-holders and stakeholders Discussion with rights-holders and stakeholders Discussion with site managers

Criterion	Generic Indicator	Sample Means of Verification
3.6 MANAGE ACCESS, RESOURCE USE AND VISITATION	The types and levels of permitted activities are clearly described, and are compatible with the conservation of major site values	<p>Description of permitted uses in management plan</p> <p>Consultation with site management</p> <p>Environmental impact studies</p> <p>Consultation with relevant experts</p>
3.7 MEASURE SUCCESS	For each of the major site values identified under Criterion 2.1, a monitoring system is in place and a set of performance measures has been defined and documented, which provides an objective basis for determining whether the associated value is being successfully protected	<p>Monitoring programme documentation</p> <p>Discussion with site managers</p> <p>Consultation with relevant experts</p>

Global increase in just and inclusive protected and conserved areas achieving their conservation objectives



Green List
Protected | Conserved Areas

Establish EAGL

- Convene expert group
- Inspire commitment
- Accredite and train
- Additional mentors
- COMPASS platform
- REVIEWER

Adapt Standard

- EAGL review
- Public and expert input
- Approved version ready for use
- Shared widely
- Promote on COMPASS and Protected Planet

Promote Green List

- Share information
- Encourage partnership
- Site commitments
- Self assessments
- Stakeholder engagement
- Assign mentors
- PANORAMA solutions
- Begin review and evaluation
- Visibility of sites on Protected Planet

Recognise success and measure impact

- Empower EAGL evaluations
- Review and Assurance
- Recognize success
- Share solutions
- Green List metrics demonstrate impacts
- Showcase events

SITE-LEVEL IMPLEMENTATION

Application Phase

- Commit to achieve the Standard
- Identify stakeholders and supporters
 - Provide a self-assessment
 - Pass an evaluation and eligibility check

Candidate Phase

- Provide relevant evidence against all criteria
 - Consult with stakeholders
 - Receive a site visit
 - Pass an evaluation and Reviewer check

Green List Phase

- Admitted by the independent IUCN Green List Committee
 - Pass a mid-term review
- Address concerns and alerts that arise
- Pass a 5-year renewal review



'Candidate' for efforts



Good
Governance



Sound Design
and Planning

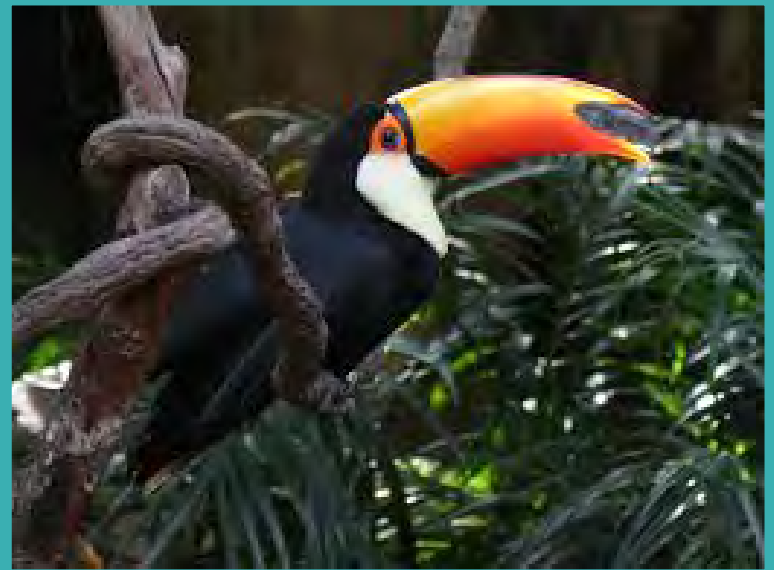


Effective
Management

Candidates work towards meeting all performance criteria



'Green List' for outcomes

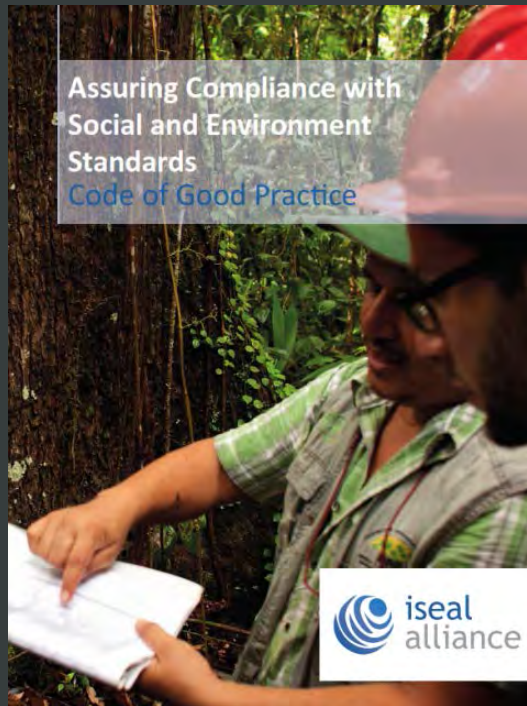


Setting Social and Environmental Standards v5.0

ISEAL Code of Good Practice



Assuring Compliance with Social and Environment Standards Code of Good Practice



Assessing the Impacts of Social and Environmental Standards Systems v1.0

ISEAL Code of Good Practice



ASSURANCE

- ISEAL Codes of Practice
- Accreditation Services International (ASI)
- Independent Reviewer assigned to each jurisdiction
- Comparison and compatibility with other programmes (FSC, Blue Flag, MEA designations)

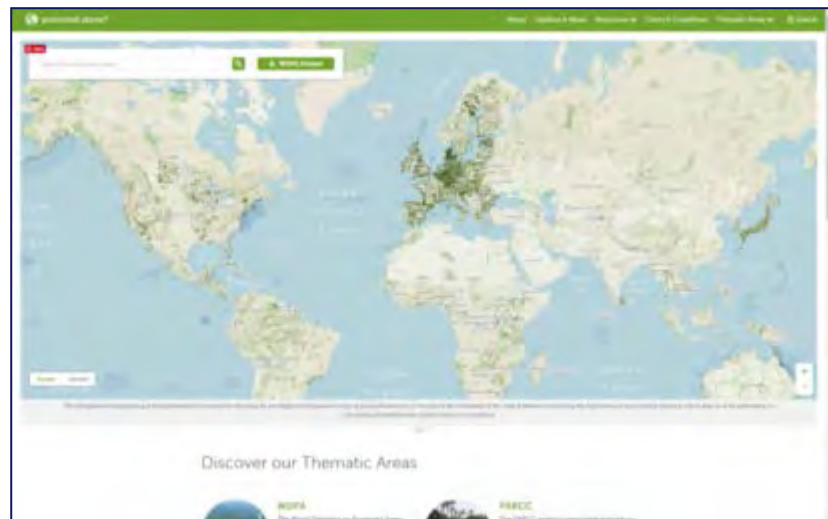
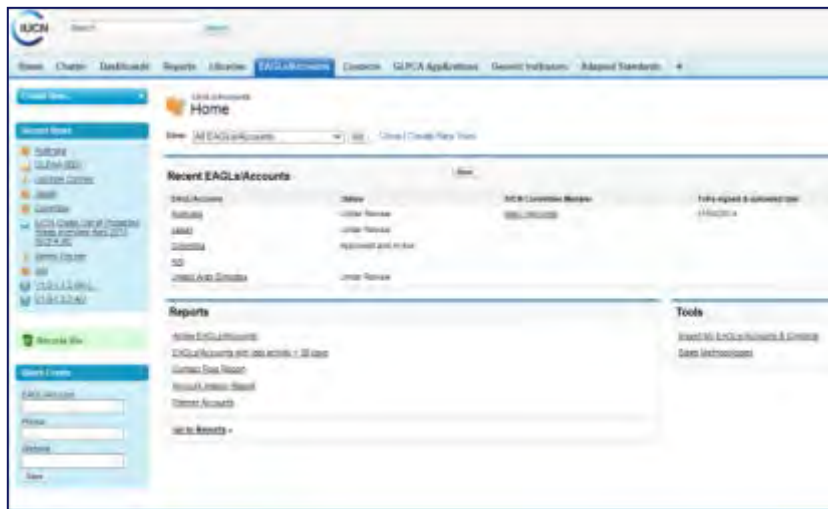




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DATA MANAGEMENT

- Cloud-based data platform: 'Community of Protected Areas - Sustainability Standard' (COMPASS)
- www.protectedplanet.net
- Address data gaps in global management effectiveness information

IUCN GREEN LIST COMMUNITY: Protected & Conserved Areas Implementing & Supporting Partners

P/CA
STAFF

EAGLs

HOST
ORGs

WCPA
RVCs

WCPA
PAME +
SGs

WCPA
MARINE

WCPA
GL SG

INDEPENDENT
ASSURANCE PROVIDER

IUCN GREEN
LIST
COMMITTEE

- Approves standard and indicators
- Admits sites

STANDARDS
COMMITTEE

- Technical reviewers of standard and indicators

MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE

- Approves jurisdictions
- Approves User Manual Strategy

OPERATIONS
TEAM

- Green List Secretariat
- Updates User Manual

*Approves process at each stage
and provides training*



Green List Governance Structure

GREEN LIST COMMITTEE

- Chair is the Chair World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) or their appointee (non-voting)
- 7-9 Members are appointed by WCPA Chair through a transparent process of nomination/selection

Main functions

- Custodian of IUCN Green List Standard to ensure rigour and effectiveness
- Approves national indicator adaptations based on technical and process recommendations
- Admits evaluated areas to the Green List and oversees their renewal
- Members are also ambassadors to promote the Green List to a wide constituency
- Convenes Technical Expert Groups (including Standards-Committee)

GREEN LIST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- Chair is appointed by IUCN Director General (DG)
- 9-12 Members are appointed by DG after a transparent process of nomination/selection

Main functions

- Strategic development of the Green List Programme
- Accepts new jurisdictions in the Green List Programme
- Ensures global procedures for standard-setting, assurance, and impact assessment are fully ISEAL compliant
- Approves the IUCN Green List User Manual and ensures that it is fit for purpose
- Guides the Operations Team on the implementation of the Programme
- Reports annually to DG

GREEN LIST STANDARDS COMMITTEE

- Co-Chairs are appointed by Chair WCPA
- A further 8-10 Members are appointed by the Co-Chairs of the Standards Committee

Main functions

- Assesses proposed national indicator adaptations by jurisdictions and makes recommendations to the Green List Committee
- Undertakes independent technical review and maintenance of the Standard to ensure scientific integrity and makes recommendations to the Green List Committee
- Convenes technical working groups when necessary and provides guidance and training

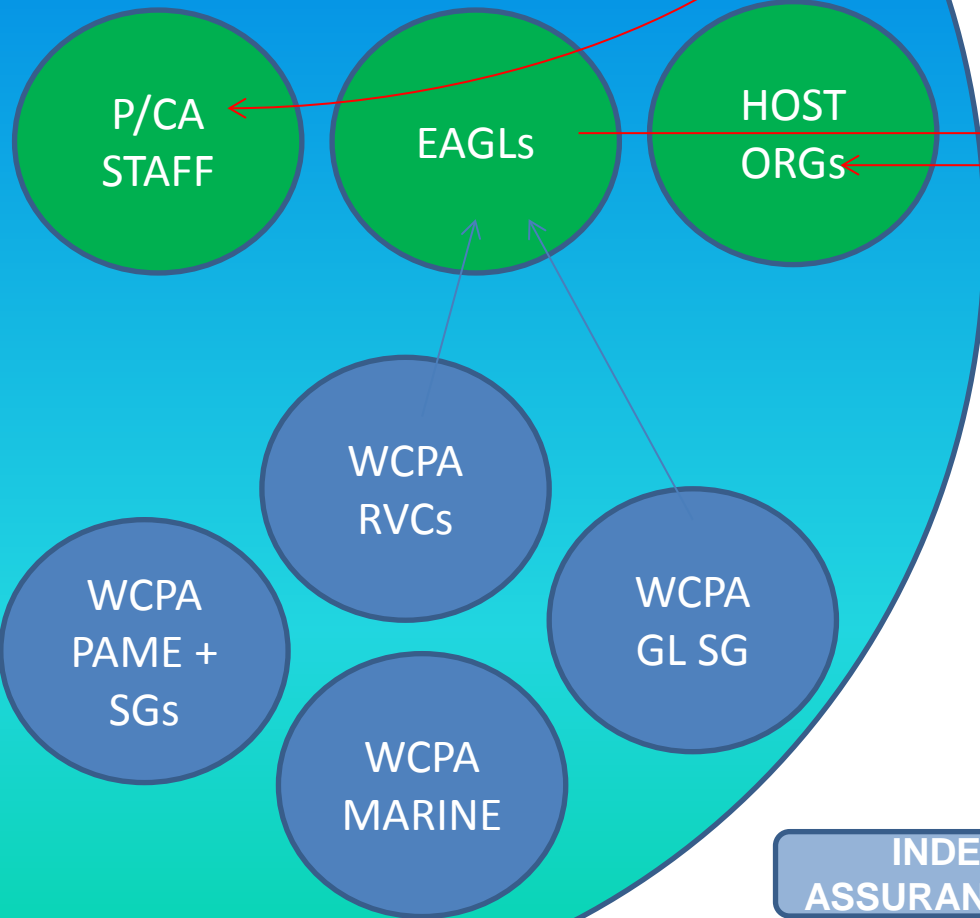
GREEN LIST OPERATIONS TEAM

- Manager is the Director IUCN Global Protected Areas Programme (GPAP) or nominee
- Members appointed by GPAP Director
- Includes IUCN Regional Office focal points and partner organisations

Main functions

- Serves as the Secretariat for the Committees and Green List Programme
- Implements decisions taken by the GLCPA Committee and Management Committee
- Develops globally applicable procedures and thematic work plans
- Convenes thematic working groups when needed

IUCN GREEN LIST COMMUNITY: Protected & Conserved Areas Implementing & Supporting Partners



Application Phase for Areas commences

IUCN GREEN LIST COMMITTEE

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

OPERATIONS TEAM

Adapted indicators approved

Adapted indicators reviewed and recommended

Accepts jurisdiction

New jurisdiction commits

INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE PROVIDER

Approves process at each stage and provides training



THANK YOU!

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Arakwal National Park, Australia