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# CLOSING THE GAP

**FINANCING AND RESOURCING OF  
PROTECTED AND CONSERVED AREAS  
IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA**

A COMPREHENSIVE ONLINE EVENT ON  
**PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES**  
AS A MEANS TO INCREASE REVENUE AND  
IMPROVE MANAGEMENT EFFICIENCY

**WEDNESDAY**

**OCTOBER 21, 2020**

**15:30 EAT**

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# Agenda

**WEDNESDAY**  
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**15:30 PM**

**WELCOME**  
**Opening Remarks**  
by Christine Mentzel  
BIOPAMA Eastern and Southern Africa

**15:45 PM**

**PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES OVERVIEW**  
**Concepts and Status in Africa**  
by Kathleen H. Fitzgerald  
Conservation Capital

**16:00 PM**

**PANEL DISCUSSION**  
**Greater Cape Town Water Fund**  
**A public private partnership to secure a key watershed**  
**through PES in South Africa**  
Louise Stafford, The Nature Conservancy (TNC)

**Securing vast areas of communal land and biodiversity**  
**hotspots through carbon credits in Tanzania**  
Jo Anderson, Carbon Tanzania

**Generating revenue for small farmers and conservation**  
**through a blended PES approach of carbon credits and**  
**watershed conservation in Uganda**  
Pauline Nangongo Kalundu, Executive Director, EcoTrust

**How Costa Rica has scaled up PES at country level to**  
**secure key forest areas, biodiverse and**  
**ecosystem services**  
Manuel Guerrero, FUNDECOR

**16:30 PM**

**DISCUSSION**  
**QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

**16:50 PM**

**CLOSING REMARKS**

# Panelists biographies



## **CHRISTINE MENTZEL**

**International Union for Conservation of Nature**

**BIOPAMA Regional Coordinator**

**Senior Programme Officer Conservation Areas and Species Programme**

Christine, who was the BIOPAMA regional coordinator during the first phase of the programme, is a dual german-south african citizen, and has extensive experience with biodiversity conservation, protected area management, programme design and project management.

She has worked throughout Eastern and Southern africa, as well as in Eurasia and South America.

Christine is currently based in Germany, where she has been working as grants manager for the Frankfurt Zoological Society since September 2017.

She will be relocating to South Africa, as soon as conditions allow, and will be based at the IUCN South Africa office in Pretoria.

# Panelists biographies



**KATHLEEN H. FITZGERALD**  
**Conservation Capital**

Kathleen is a conservation leader recognized for her extensive experience in integrated large landscape conservation and development programs in Africa and North America.

Kathleen was a senior staff member of the African Wildlife Foundation for 11 years, most recently serving as Vice President for East and Southern Africa.

She is a partner at Conservation Capital focusing on increasing revenue for protected area management and wildlife conservation, and serves as a Senior Conservation Advisor to AWF.

Kathleen helped create new conservation areas, she facilitated the creation of community conservancies in Kenya, she executed the first environment easement in Kenya, improved management of protected areas in east, central and southern Africa, established co-management agreements in east and central Africa and led community conservation initiatives.

She managed climate mitigation and adaptation programs, including the successful development of a certified REDD+ project, and completed dozens of land transactions in North America and Africa.

Kathleen is widely published and a member of IUCN's Tourism and Protected Areas Specialist Group and IUCN's Connectivity Specialist Group. She has lived in Africa for 12 years.

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**LOUISE STAFFORD**  
**The Nature Conservancy (TNC)**

Louise Stafford joined The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in January 2017 as Source Water Protection Director, South Africa. Her role includes the development of partnerships, provision of strategic leadership and support for TNC's Source Water Protection Programs in South Africa.

She also spearheads the development of Water Funds across South Africa.

Louise joined South Africa's internationally acclaimed, Working for Water programme in 1997. By supporting natural resource management through public employment programs, Working for Water contracts and trains previously unemployed individuals, targeting women (60%), youth (20%) and disabled (5%) to remove invasive plants in watersheds, saving up to 10% of South Africa's water resources. From Working for Water, she went on to manage invasive species programmes, first for CapeNature and later for the City of Cape Town.

She was also the project manager for the Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded Cape Action for People and Environment (CAPE) invasive species project.

She developed a monitoring and evaluation program for CapeNature and assisted protected area managers with planning, tracking and reporting progress.

She graduated with an MSc (Entomology) from Rhodes University, Grahamstown.

# Panelists biographies



**JO ANDERSON**  
**Founder and Director**  
**Carbon Tanzania**

A passionate conservationist, Jo has a background in ecology, environmental assessment, specialist tour guiding and journalism.

Jo is a co-founder of Carbon Tanzania responsible for business sustainability through financial management and sales. He guides the development of the company's communications strategy and handles all client and investor relationships.

Jo co-founded Carbon Tanzania in 2007 as a response to the need to find innovative and long-term solutions to deforestation in East Africa.

The organisation is a social enterprise that uses business principles to implement effective, efficient and smart conservation solutions that enable local resource owners to manage their natural resources in a sustainable and economically beneficial manner.

Jo brings a deep understanding of the ecology of forests and other terrestrial ecosystems to his work at Carbon Tanzania, recognising the need for integrated management of natural resources that genuinely includes the priorities of the people who exist in and around them.

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**PAULINE NANTONGO KALUNDA**

**ECOTRUST**

**Environmental Conservation Trust of Uganda**

Pauline Nantongo Kalunda is the Executive Director of ECOTRUST – the Environmental Conservation Trust of Uganda, a local conservation financing organisation.

Pauline is an expert in establishing & managing innovative conservation financing mechanisms.

Among her several achievements, Pauline has successfully established a commercially viable payment for environmental services scheme – Trees for Global Benefit (TGB). Trees for Global Benefit links rural poor smallholder farmers to the voluntary carbon market.

TGB won the 2013 SEED Award for its innovation and entrepreneurship, its promising efforts to promote economic growth, social development and environmental protection in Uganda, and the potential of its partnership to inspire others.

Pauline also sits on the Board of Directors for several conservation organisations.



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**Manuel Guerrero**  
**Water Resource Specialist**  
**FUNDECOR**

Manuel has an Academic Master's Degree in Natural Resource Management with emphasis on Environmental Management from the Universidad Estatal a Distancia (UNED) and a degree in Tropical Biology with emphasis on Natural Resource Management from the Universidad Nacional (UNA).

Part of his work at FUNDECOR is to generate projects that impact the quality and quantity of water and that translate into a system that improves the quality of life of the population.

He is the technical secretary (manager) of Agua Tica, and is in charge of managing projects within the framework of the initiative, such as the Water for the Future project that replenishes water to nature through forest protection, regeneration and reforestation activities, calculation of potential aquifer recharge, implementation of the Agua Tica AOI, stable isotope project, LandScale project, and support for the National Clean River strategy.

His work combine being in a computer generating models with geographic information systems, to visiting farms to sample springs or to corroborate that a certain project is properly developed, as well as the engagement with actors within the territory so that they join Agua Tica.

In FUNDECOR, he has participated in projects such as: Environmental Murals, Carbon Neutral Schools, Routing Map for NavSat, Community Mapping, Biological Monitoring and Rapid Biological Studies, among others.

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