

Vision for GEF 7: Biodiversity

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Key challenges for Biodiversity Conservation

- TNC SDG and Paris Analysis:

- Climate Change
- Agriculture: high agricultural inputs & diet
- Energy impacts on air pollution
- Energy expansion and sprawl
- Footprint of human settlements
- Unsustainable fisheries
- Deficient sanitation and wastewater treatment
- invasive species

Global Commons

- Food
- Water
- Energy
- Urbanization

G20 Priority

- \$70 Trillion infrastructure gap
- \$4 Trillion per year in developing countries

Framing thoughts for GEF's Biodiversity Niche

- Key value-add is in multiple benefits across focal areas
- Focus on leverage opportunities – for public and private investment
- Double down on programmatic approaches

Proposed GEF 7 Biodiversity Priorities

Priority Cluster I: Mainstream biodiversity across sectors as well as landscapes and seascapes

- Priority A: Improve policies and decision-making, informed by biodiversity and ecosystem values
- Priority B: Manage biodiversity in landscapes and seascapes
- Priority C: Harness biodiversity for sustainable agriculture

Priority cluster II: Address direct drivers to protect habitats and species

- Priority D: Prevent and control invasive alien species
- Priority E: Reduce pressures on coral reefs
- Priority F: Enhance the effectiveness of protected area systems
- Priority G: Combat illegal and unsustainable use of threatened species

Priority Cluster III: Further develop biodiversity policy and institutional framework

- Priority H: Implement the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
- Priority I: Implement the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-sharing
- Priority J: Improve biodiversity policy, planning, and review

Additional Priorities

Mainstreaming:

- Nature's solutions for mitigation and adaptation
- Greening Gray Infrastructure: Large-scale spatial planning for the mitigation hierarchy and offsetting
- Growing Green Infrastructure

Direct Drivers:

- Freshwater biodiversity
- Wildlife trafficking and human-wildlife conflict