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Big picture: economy & nature

Economies and human wellbeing depend on nature

Unprecedented gains in economic prosperity

No time in history has seen comparable loss of

nature due to humans





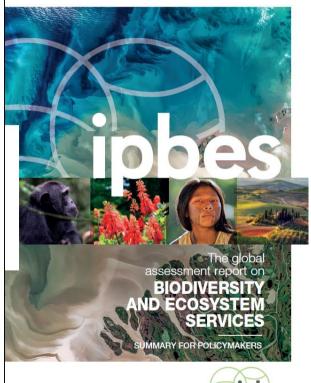








Capacity of nature to support quality of life is declining

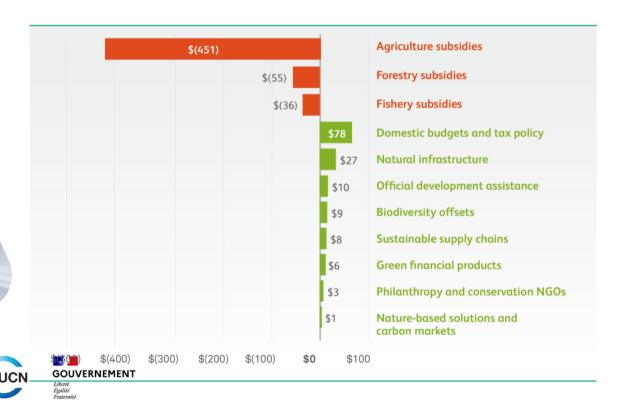








Biodiversity finance: status

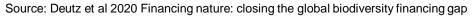




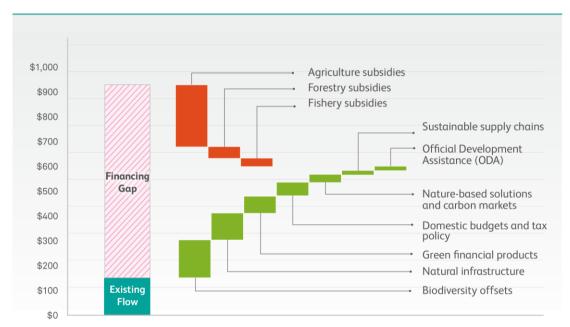
Positive financial flows into biodiversity conservation, globally:

US\$ 124 - 143 billion

However, agricultural, forestry, and fisheries subsidies that degrade nature are at least two to four times greater.



Biodiversity finance: closing the gap

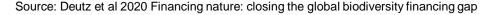


Additional funding needed to reverse the decline in biodiversity by 2030:

~ \$700 billion per year

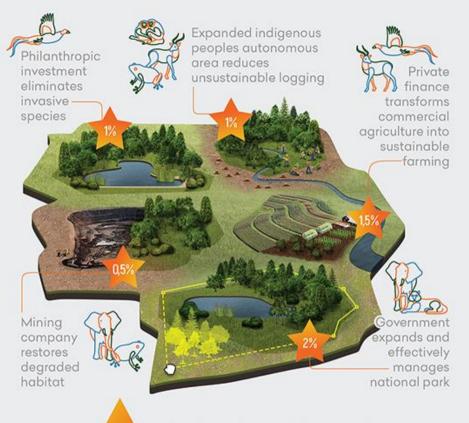






SPECIES THREAT ABATEMENT & RESTORATION METRIC





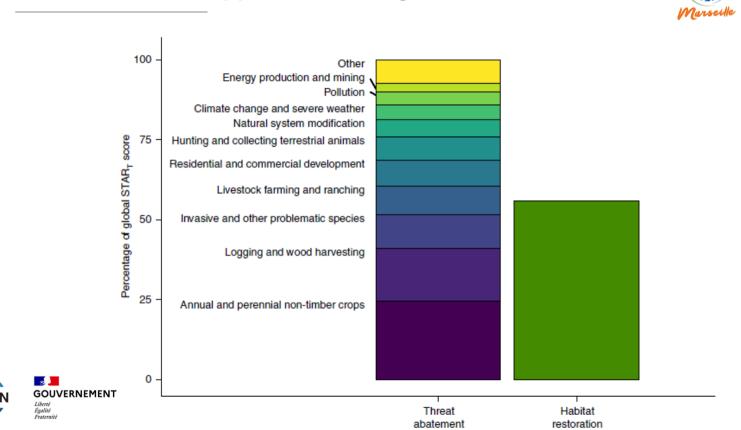


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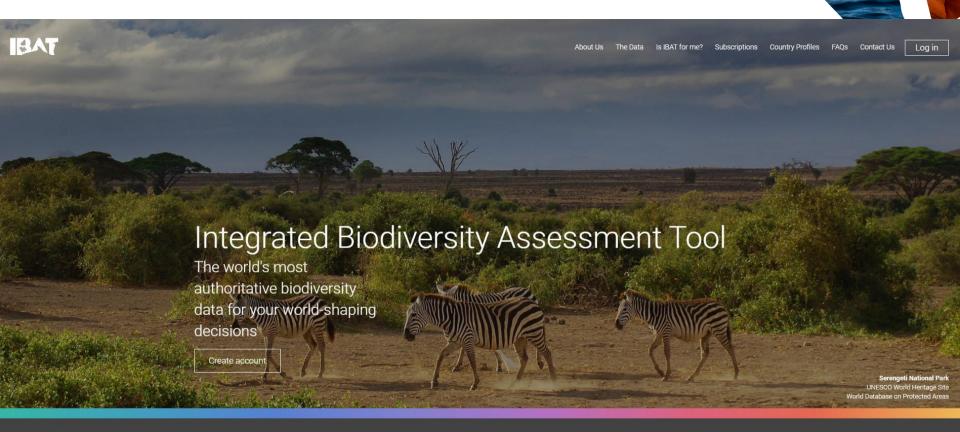
All numbers hypothetical. ©IUCN Landscape's potential contribution of STAR units to averting extinction risk for all species in the country

Mair et al. (2021) Nature Ecol Evol; based on data from IUCN (2020) The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species https://www.iucn.org/resources/conservation-tools/species-threat-abatement-and-restoration-star-metric

STAR: Drivers & opportunities at global level















Last data update 17/06/2021

International trade: embedded biodiversity footprint



Domestic, imported, and exported biodiversity threats by country.

Source: Lenzen et al. 2012 updated using Red List of Species and EORA trade data. IUCN (2021). Conflict and conservation. Nature in a Globalised World Report No.1.



The Nature+ Accelerator Fund

At The Frontier Of Market Innovation For Nature Finance













INVESTMENT APPROACH



Nature+ will accelerate an initial 50 project portfolio up to venture stage, with own funding up to US\$ 50m while creating co-investment opportunities for other MNC funds and broader market for up to US\$ 160m

The Fund is offering investment capital to projects in three complementary investment windows: **Seed, Early Venture** (together defined as Incubation period), and **Venture**:

- 1. Seed Window (average ticket size of US \$100K)
 - > Targets projects with an early-stage concept where feasibility has not yet have been demonstrated
 - > Pre-investment/grant support and technical assistance could be structured via IUCN partners and public donors leveraged by the Accelerator.
 - Deals with an opportunity for rapid scaling and clear potential for followon funding by the Accelerator within 3-5 years will be prioritized.
- 2. Early Venture Window (average ticket size of \$1m)
 - Targets projects that have passed the proof-of-concept phase and are delivering or are about to deliver tangible revenue streams.
 - > Tailor-made contracts, convertible notes, equity, revenue sharing loans.
- 3. Venture Window (up to \$5m per transaction)
 - 'Following the winner' the venture window will provide follow-on funding to scale-up successful projects already funded under the incubation period (seed and early venture)



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- Knowledge, tools and analysis,
- > A unique convening space,
- Action on the ground.

KEY FACTS

- World's largest environmental network with 1300+ governmental and civil society members from more than 160 countries
- More than 900 staff in 50 country offices worldwide
- 6 World commissions with 10,000+ experts in science, law, and policy

