Using Innovative Land Conservation Tools in Africa to Protect Land, Enhance Resource Management and Improve Community Livelihoods

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Work together with the people of Africa to ensure that wildlife and wild lands of Africa endure forever.
AWF Programs

- Applied conservation science & research
- Land & habitat conservation
- Conservation enterprise
- Climate change
- Capacity & leadership development
- Conservation schools
- Policy
Africa
Whatever you thought, think again.

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How 900 million African consumers offer more than you think
Vijay Mahajan
Land and Habitat Conservation

**Goal:** Secure land to protect key wildlife habitats, core areas and corridors

**Tools and approaches used**

a) Support to Protected Areas  
b) Participatory Land Use Planning and Zoning in Community areas  
c) Direct Purchase  
d) Application of Legal and Economic Instruments e.g. Leases  
e) Land policy Advocacy  
f) Forest Conservation Including REDD and Other Carbon Instruments  
g) Establish Land Conservation Trusts  
h) Payment for Ecosystem Services  
i) REDD, Voluntary Carbon Easement
Need for New Conservation Tools

To secure Africa’s ecological integrity and maintain viable populations of wildlife, land outside protected areas must be protected through innovative conservation measures.
Payment for Ecosystem Services
1. a voluntary transaction where

2. a well-defined ES (or a land-use likely to secure that service)

3. is being ‘bought’ by a (minimum one) ES buyer

4. from a (minimum one) ES provider

5. if and only if the ES provider secures ES provision (conditionality).

Wunder, Sven, 2005
Types of Payment for Ecosystem Services

1. Carbon sequestration and storage
2. Biodiversity
3. Watershed
4. Landscape beauty

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Amboseli Ecosystem
Critical Elephant Corridor and Dispersal Area
Sub-divided Landscape
Arid Landscape
PES: Biodiversity Protection

- 1000+ Landowners
- Good governance
- 35,000 acres
- Legal Mechanism
- FPIC
- 600 KSH/acre
- 3.0% annual increase
- Direct Deposit
- Spin-off Enterprise
- Employment
- Community Monitoring
Challenges

1. Long Term Sustainability
2. Annual Payment
3. Title and Shifting Parcels
4. Competition
5. Can Not Benefit All
6. Everyone Can Not Have a Lodge
7. Allocation of Parcels
Challenges

1. Legal Structure
2. Time Lag
3. Changing Study Site
4. It's Not All About Money
5. Cost
6. GIS Requirements
Kenya’s first easement expands Nairobi park

Nairobi National Park has been expanded by more than 100 acres through the signing of Kenya’s first voluntary easement deal. To counter the alarming decline of wildlife and habitat due to development and land fragmentation, Mr. John Keen, 86, and his family have protected their land through the conveyance of an environmental easement to the African Wildlife Foundation (AWF) and Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS).

KWS director Mr Julius Kipng’etich, Mr John Keen and Dr. Helen Gichohi, President of the African Wildlife Foundation

Kipng’etich, Director of Kenya Wildlife Service, Erna Kerst, Director of USAID and AWF, KWS and USAID staff.

“Kenya’s national parks, sanctuaries,
Community Conservancy