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## AFRICA BIODIVERSITY COLLABORATIVE GROUP

### QUARTERLY NEWS DIGEST



## News Highlights



### Project Demonstrates the Gains of Integrating Human Health and Biodiversity Conservation

USAID's March newsletter featured a story which highlighted ABCG members, Conservation

International's and the Jane Goodall Institute's work to incorporate freshwater resource management into water, sanitation and hygiene in South Africa and Uganda, respectively. Their work has revitalized vital water sources for rural communities while at the same time promoting conservation, which underscores the close relationship between global health and biodiversity.



## Freshwater Conservation and WASH activities for Ecosystem and Human Health Protection

In honor of World Water Day, ABCG showcased the Jane Goodall Institute's success in restoring local ecosystems while also improving the overall health of the communities using an integrated approach.

approach that combines freshwater conservation with water, sanitation and hygiene practices under the Global Health Linkages to Biodiversity Conservation working group.



## How to Protect Big Cats

This year's World Wildlife Day spotlighted big cats who are increasingly under pressure due to shrinking habitats, hunting, and wildlife trafficking. The key to their effective conservation lies in well managed protected areas, as well as properly maintained wildlife corridors, which gives big cats the necessary protection and space they require to thrive.

EXPLORING CROSS-SECTOR LINKAGES  
BETWEEN POPULATION, HEALTH,  
ENVIRONMENT, NUTRITION AND FOOD  
SECURITY: A Review of Best Practices and  
Lessons Learned

## More Nested, Integrated Interventions Required to Improve Human Well-being and Conservation Outcomes

In a February article, the Population Reference Bureau highlighted ABCG's Population, Health and

Environment work, which includes pilot activities and a literature review that examined the often overlooked tangible impact of improved food security and nutrition on biodiversity and health outcomes in Africa. Through its Global Health Linkages to Biodiversity Conservation working group, ABCG has developed best practices for how to more effectively connect biodiversity outcomes to health initiatives in Africa.



## Ushering in a Fresh Era for ABCG's Online Presence

In February, ABCG unveiled its redesigned website, which offers visitors a streamlined user experience, as well as a brand new Members and Governance pages. Through its redesign, ABCG

continues its efforts of sharing resources and connecting experts across sectors to devise integrated development and biodiversity conservation solutions.

# Past Event Resources

Unable to join the event? View presentation slides and listen to the webinar recordings of past ABCG speaker series.

## Partner Events

### WASH Matters for Conservation - Conservation Matters for WASH, March 28, 2018



### Land and Resource Rights for Economic Growth, March 12, 2018



## ABCG Events

### Laying the Foundation for Smart Planning for Sustainable Agriculture in Southern Agricultural Growth Corridor of Tanzania (SAGCOT), February 21, 2018



### Integrating WASH and Water Resource Management in Kenya, February 14, 2018



### Countering Wildlife Trafficking in Mozambique - What's Working and What Hasn't, February 14, 2018



### The Kenya Resilient Arid Lands Partnership for Integrated Development (Kenya RAPID), January 25, 2018



## Conserving Lake Tanganyika's Fisheries and Biodiversity: From Local Collaboration to Lake-wide Impact, January 8, 2018



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## Upcoming ABCG Events

### Speaker Series

Kathleen Fitzgerald  
Vice President, Programs East and Southern Africa  
African Wildlife Foundation

**May 3, 2018**  
**12:00 PM to 1:00 PM EDT**  
**Washington, DC**

### Thematic Events

Freshwater Conservation and WASH Integration Community of Practice Meeting - Partnerships for Water Security

**May 15, 2018**  
**Nairobi, Kenya**

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