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## Healing the Rift: Mitigating Conflict over Natural Resources in the Albertine Rift

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Stretching from the northern end of Lake Albert to the southern end of Lake Tanganyika and extending through the countries of Uganda, Rwanda, Democratic Republic of Congo, Burundi and Tanzania, the Albertine Rift is one of Africa's most important sites for the conservation of biodiversity. Sadly, this region has also been home to war and civil conflict, from the Rwandan genocide to years of armed conflict in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. Dr. Andrew Plumptre will discuss the Wildlife Conservation Society's (WCS) work to mitigate conflict over natural resources in the region. With funding from the U.S. Agency for International Development, and working with the International Institute for Sustainable Development, WCS has been developing a conflict resolution process and practitioner's manual to help people working in conflict situations to better analyze and find solutions to resolve conflicts.

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