

Global responses to Illegal Wildlife Trade and the role of communities



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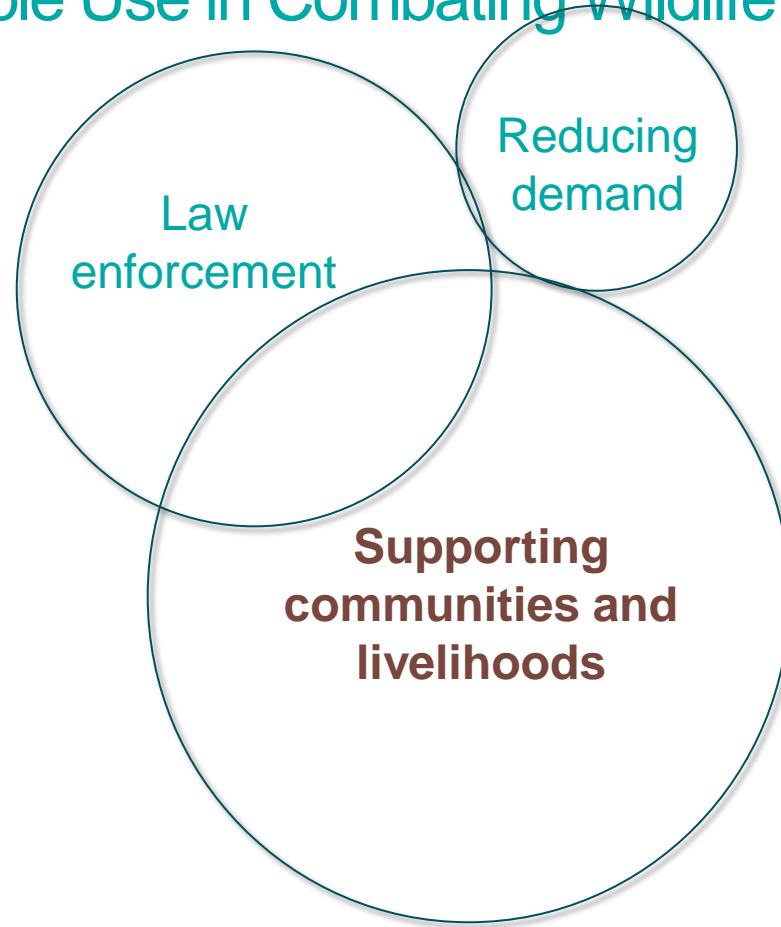
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Current responses to illegal wildlife trade



Beyond Enforcement: Communities, Governance, Incentives and Sustainable Use in Combating Wildlife Crime



Muldersdrift, South Africa, Feb 26 -28 2015

Global Tiger Recovery Plan (2010)	Engage with indigenous and local communities to gain their participation in biodiversity conservation by providing sustainable and alternative livelihood options through financial support, technical guidance, and other measures.
African Elephant Summit (2013)	Engage communities living with elephants as active partners in their conservation
London Declaration (2014)	Increase capacity of local communities to pursue sustainable livelihood opportunities and eradicate poverty Work with, and include local communities in, establishing monitoring and law enforcement networks in areas surrounding wildlife
Kasane Declaration (2015)	Promote the retention of benefits from wildlife resources by local people where they have traditional and/or legal rights over these resources. We will strengthen policy and legislative frameworks needed to achieve this, reinforce the voice of local people as key stakeholders and implement measures which balance the need to tackle the illegal wildlife trade with the needs of communities, including the sustainable use of wildlife.
Brazzaville Declaration (2015)	Recognize the rights and increase the participation of indigenous peoples and local communities in the planning, management and use of wildlife through sustainable use and alternative livelihoods and strengthen their ability to combat wildlife crime.

Recommendations from Symposium on ‘Beyond Enforcement’ - taken on board?

Multilateral, Intergovernmental and Regional Fora

- February 9-10, Bruxelles, Meeting “Towards an EU strategic approach to wildlife conservation in Africa”
- February 26, Statement by CITES Secretary General published
- February 26, Statement by CBD Executive Secretary published
- March 25, Kasane, Conference on IWT
- March 30-31, Rome, Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management (CPW)
- April 27-30, Brazzaville, Declaration from International Conference on IWT in African Wildlife Products
- April 27, Econ. Community of Central African States (ECCAS) Urgent A-Poaching Action Plan (PAULAB)
- May, Southern African Development Community (SADC) Law Enforcement and Anti-Poaching Strategy
- June, Johannesburg, AU considers African Common Strategy on combatting IWT in wild fauna and flora

National Government level, foreign co-operation and aid agencies

- Germany: Polifonds mechanism - five Federal Ministeries - supporting symposium and outcomes
- USAID - supporting symposium and outcomes

Others: some NGO consider recommendations for amending their approaches and/or updating strategies



Recommendations from Symposium on ‘Beyond Enforcement’ - where next?

Multilateral, Intergovernmental and Regional Fora

- CITES: Support the roadmap of Decisions 16.17 to 16.25 regarding CITES & livelihoods before CoP17
- Kasane IWT Conference: Support governments to report progress on uptake of Symposium recommendations before third high-level conference on IWT in Vietnam (late 2016)
- EU: integrate recommendations in upcoming “*EU Action Plan on wildlife crime*” and within the EU’s strategic approach to wildlife conservation in Africa
- Assess African Union summit results on African Common Strategy on combatting IWT
- Central Africa: support roles of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities to mitigate IWT within the work of ECCAS, COMIFAC and CBFP
- Asia: Enhance the recognition of roles of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities to combat IWT
- September 2015, Durban: CPW Wildlife Forum at World Forestry Congress

National Government level, foreign co-operation and aid agencies

- Mainstream approaches and recognize support roles of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities to mitigate IWT
- CBD: Support the uptake of the recommendation in NBSAPs





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