

Annex

NATIONAL PROFILE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF WORK ON PROTECTED AREAS

The draft reporting framework facilitates capturing the progress in completing assessments on 13 key goals of the programme of work on protected areas and specific actions taken to implement the results of those assessments, in order to indicate the status of implementation. Progress in completing these assessments is measured from 0-4 (0 – no progress; 1 – planning phase; 2 – initial progress; 3 – substantial progress; 4 – nearly or fully completed). The framework allows Parties to append the results of these assessments, and to optionally describe specific actions taken in three time lines (before 2004; between 2004-2009; and since 2010). If a question is not applicable, the letters N/A should be entered. The PoWPA focal points could upload the information on the CBD website as and when they have undertaken and completed the assessment or following the reporting cycle of national reporting through a user ID and password.

COUNTRY:	(NAME OF COUNTRY)		
Name of person completing survey:			(NAME)
Email address of person completing survey:			(EMAIL)
Date survey completed:			(DATE)
Please briefly describe who was involved in gathering information for this survey	(NAMES AND ORGANIZATIONS)		
1) Has a multi-stakeholder advisory committee been formed to implement the PoWPA?			(YES/NO)
2) Is there an action plan for implementing the PoWPA?			(YES/NO)
3) If yes, please provide a URL (or attach a pdf) of the strategic action plan:			(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
4) If yes, which is the lead agency responsible for implementing the action plan?			(AGENCY NAME)
5) If not, are the PoWPA actions included in other biodiversity-related action plans? (please provide a URL or attachment if so)			(URL OR ATTACHMENT)

1.1 To establish and strengthen national and regional systems of protected areas integrated into a global network as a contribution to globally agreed goals

1) What progress has been made in assessing the representativeness, comprehensiveness and ecological gaps of your protected area network?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a pdf) of the gap assessment report:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) Do you have specific targets and indicators for the protected area system?				(YES/NO)
4) If yes, please provide a URL (or attach a pdf) of the targets and indicators:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
5) What actions have been taken to improve the ecological representativeness of the protected area network? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Created new protected area/s			
	Promoted an array of different types of protected areas (e.g., different IUCN Categories, CCAs etc)			
	Expanded and/or reconfigured existing protected area boundaries			
	Changed the legal status and/or governance type of protected area/s			
	Other actions to improve the representativeness and comprehensiveness of the network			

1.2 To integrate protected areas into broader land- and seascapes and sectors so as to maintain ecological structure and function

1) What progress has been made in assessing protected area landscape and seascape connectivity and sectoral integration?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a pdf) of the assessment of protected area connectivity and sectoral integration:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) What actions have been taken to improve protected area connectivity and sectoral integration? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				

√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Changed the legal status and/or governance in key connectivity areas			
	Created new protected areas in key connectivity areas			
	Improved natural resource management to improve connectivity			
	Designated connectivity corridors and/or buffers			
	Created market incentives to promote connectivity			
	Changed awareness of key stakeholders in key connectivity areas			
	Improved laws and policies within or around key connectivity areas			
	Restored degraded areas in key connectivity areas			
	Changed land use planning, zoning and/or buffers in key connectivity areas			
	Removed barriers to connectivity and ecological functioning			
	Integrated protected areas into poverty reduction strategies			
	Other actions to improve connectivity and integration			

1.3 To establish and strengthen regional networks, transboundary protected areas (TBPAs) and collaboration between neighbouring protected areas across national boundaries

1) What progress has been made in identifying conservation priorities and opportunities for establishing transboundary protected areas and regional networks?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a pdf) of the assessment of opportunities for transboundary protected areas and regional networks.		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
3) What actions have been taken to strengthen the regional protected area network and foster transboundary PAs? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Created transboundary protected area/s			
	Contributed to the creation of regional-scale conservation corridors			
	Participated in the establishment of regional networks			
	Created enabling policies to allow for transboundary protected areas			
	Established a multi-country coordination mechanism			
	Other actions to foster regional networks and transboundary areas			

1.4 To substantially improve site-based protected area planning and management

1) What progress has been made in developing protected area management plans?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
1) What percentage of your protected areas has an adequate management plan?		(%)		
2) What percentage of the total surface area of protected areas does the management plan(s) cover?		(%)		
3) Please provide a URL (or pdf attachment) of a recent example of a participatory, science-based management plan		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
4) What actions have been taken to improve protected area management planning? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Developed guidelines and tools for developing management plans			
	Provided training and/or technical support in management planning			
	Developed management plans for protected areas			
	Changed legislation or policy to strengthen management planning			
	Improved the scientific basis of existing management plans			
	Conducted protected area resource inventories			
	Other actions to improve management planning			

1.5 To prevent and mitigate the negative impacts of key threats to protected areas

1) What progress has been made in assessing the status of protected area threats, and opportunities for mitigation, prevention and restoration?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a pdf) of the assessment of the status of threats and opportunities for mitigation, prevention and restoration.				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) What actions have been taken to mitigate or prevent protected area threats, or restore degraded areas? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description				
v	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Changed the status and/or governance type of a protected area			
	Improved staffing numbers and/or skills to prevent and mitigate threats			
	Included measures to address threats in a management plan			
	Improved management practices to prevent or mitigate threats			
	Increased threat mitigation funding			
	Developed a plan to address the impacts of climate change			
	Changed market incentives to reduce or prevent threats			
	Improved monitoring and detection of threats			
	Evaluated the efficacy of threat-related actions			
	Improved public awareness and behaviour regarding threats			
	Changed laws and policies related to threats			
	Restored degraded areas			
	Developed and/or implemented strategies to mitigate threats			
	Other actions to mitigate and prevent threats			

2.1 To promote equity and benefit-sharing

1) What progress has been made in assessing the equitable sharing of costs and benefits of establishing protected areas?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a pdf) of the assessment of equitable sharing of costs and benefits of establishing protected areas.				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) What actions have been taken to improve equitable benefits sharing? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description				
v	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Developed compensation mechanisms			
	Developed and/or applied policies for access and benefit sharing			
	Developed equitable benefits-sharing mechanisms			
	Diverted PA benefits towards poverty alleviation			
	Other actions to strengthen equitable benefit--sharing			
4) What progress has been made in assessing protected area governance?				(STATUS: 0-4)
5) What percentage of protected areas has been assigned an IUCN category?				(%)
6) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a pdf) of the assessment of protected area governance:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
7) What actions have you taken to improve and diversify governance types? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description				
v	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Created new protected areas with innovative forms of governance, such as community conserved areas			
	Changed laws or policies to enable new governance types			
	Other actions to diversify governance types			

2.2 To enhance and secure involvement of indigenous and local communities and relevant stakeholders

1) What is the status of participation of indigenous and local communities and other key stakeholders in key protected area decisions?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) What actions have been taken to improve indigenous and local community participation? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Assessed opportunities and needs for local community participation in key protected area decisions			
	Improved laws, policies and/or practices to promote participation			
	Developed policies for prior informed consent for resettlement			
	Improved mechanisms for participation of indigenous and local communities			
	Increased participation of indigenous and local communities in key decisions			
	Other actions to promote participation			

3.1 To provide an enabling policy, institutional and socio-economic environment for protected areas

1) What progress has been made in assessing the policy environment for creating and managing protected areas?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of the assessment of the policy environment:		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
3) What actions have been taken to improve the protected area policy environment? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Harmonized sectoral policies or laws to strengthen management effectiveness			
	Integrated PA values and ecological services into the national economy			
	Improved accountability and/or participation in decision-making			
	Developed incentive mechanisms for private protected areas			
	Developed positive market incentives to support protected areas			
	Removed perverse incentives that hinder effective management			
	Strengthened laws for establishing or managing protected areas			
	Cooperated with neighboring countries on transboundary areas			
	Developed equitable dispute resolution mechanisms and procedures			
	Other actions to improve the policy environment			
4) What progress has been made in assessing the contribution of protected areas to the local and national economies?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
5) What progress has been made in assessing the contribution of protected areas to the Millennium Development Goals?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
6) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) with the assessment of the contribution of protected areas to the local and national economy and to the Millennium Development Goals:		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
7) What actions have been taken to value the contribution of protected areas? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Implemented a communication campaign to encourage policy makers to recognize the value of protected areas			
	Created finance mechanisms linked to protected area values (e.g., payment for ecosystem services)			

3.2 To build capacity for the planning, establishment and management of protected areas

1) What progress has been made in assessing protected area capacity needs?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of the assessment of capacity needs:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) What actions have been taken to strengthen protected area capacity? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Created a professional development programme for protected area staff			
	Trained protected area staff in key skills			
	Increased the number of protected area staff			
	Developed a system for valuing and sharing traditional knowledge			
	Other actions to improve capacity			

3.3 To develop, apply and transfer appropriate technologies for protected areas

1) What progress has been made in assessing the needs for relevant and appropriate technology for protected area management?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attached a PDF) of the assessment of the technology needs:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) What actions have been taken to improve the access to and use of relevant and appropriate technology? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Developed and/or used appropriate technology for habitat restoration and rehabilitation			
	Developed and/or used appropriate technology for resource mapping, biological inventories and rapid assessments			
	Developed and/or used appropriate technology for monitoring			
	Developed and/or used appropriate technology for conservation and sustainable use			
	Encouraged technology transfer and cooperation between protected areas and agencies			
	Other actions to improve access to and use of appropriate technologies			

3.4 To ensure financial sustainability of protected areas and national and regional systems of protected areas

1) What progress has been made in assessing protected area finance needs?				(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of the assessment of finance needs:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) What progress has been made in developing and implementing a sustainable finance plan that incorporates a diversified portfolio of financial mechanisms?				(STATUS: 0-4)
4) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of the sustainable finance plan:				(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
5) What actions have been taken to improve the sustainable finance of your protected areas? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Developed new protected area funding mechanisms			
	Developed protected area business plan or plans			
	Developed revenue-sharing mechanism			
	Improved resource allocation procedures			
	Provided financial training and support			
	Improved accounting and monitoring			
	Improved financial planning capacity			
	Removed legal barriers to sustainable finance			
	Clarified inter-agency fiscal responsibilities			
	Other actions to improve sustainable finance			

3.5 To strengthen communication, education and public awareness

1) What progress have you made in conducting a public awareness and communication campaign?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of the public awareness and communication plan:		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
3) What actions have you taken to improve public awareness and strengthen education programmes? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Identify core themes for education, awareness and communication programmes relevant to protected areas			
	Conducted an awareness campaign on the value of protected areas to local and national economies and the Millennium Development Goals			
	Conducted an awareness campaign on the value of protected areas in climate change adaptation and mitigation			
	Established or strengthen communication mechanisms with key target groups, including indigenous and local communities			
	Developed protected area curricula with educational institutions			
	Produced public outreach materials			
	Conducted public outreach programmes			
	Other actions to improve communication, education and awareness			

4.1 To develop and adopt minimum standards and best practices for national and regional protected area systems

1) What progress has been made in developing best practices and minimum standards?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of examples of protected area best practices and minimum standards.		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
3) Is there a system in place for monitoring protected area outcomes achieved through the programme of work on protected areas		(YES/NO)		
4) What actions have been taken related to best practices and minimum standards? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Developed standards and best practices for protected area establishment and selection			
	Developed standards and best practices for protected area management planning			
	Developed standards and best practices for protected area management			
	Developed standards and best practices for protected area governance			
	Collaborated with other Parties and relevant organizations to test, review and promote best practices and minimum standards			
	Other actions related to best practices and minimum standards			

4.2 To evaluate and improve the effectiveness of protected areas management

1) What progress has been made in assessing the management effectiveness of protected areas?		(STATUS: 0-4)
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of the assessment of protected area management effectiveness:		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)
3) In what percentage of the total area of protected areas has management effectiveness been assessed?		(%)
4) In what percentage of the number of protected areas has management effectiveness been assessed?		(%)

5) What actions have been taken to improve management processes within protected areas? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Improved management systems and processes			
	Improved law enforcement			
	Improved stakeholder relations			
	Improved visitor management			
	Improved management of natural and cultural resources			
	Other actions to improve management effectiveness			
	Have you submitted management effectiveness results to UNEP-WCMC's WDPA			

4.3 To assess and monitor protected area status and trends

1) What progress has been made in establishing an effective monitoring system of protected area coverage, status and trends?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of a recent monitoring report.		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
3) What actions have been taken to improve protected area monitoring? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Assessed the status and trend of key biodiversity			
	Monitored the coverage of protected areas			
	Developed or improved a biological monitoring programme			
	Developed a database for managing protected area data			
	Revised management plan based on monitoring and/or research results			
	Changed management practices based on the results of monitoring and/or research			
	Developed geographic information systems (GIS) and/or remote sensing technologies			
	Other monitoring activities			

4.4 To ensure that scientific knowledge contributes to the establishment and effectiveness of protected areas and protected area systems

1) What progress has been made in developing an appropriate science and research programme to support protected area establishment and management?		(STATUS: 0-4)		
2) If available, please indicate the URL (or attach a PDF) of a recent research report:		(URL OR ATTACHMENT)		
3) What actions have been taken to improve protected area research and monitoring? Please check all that apply, and provide a brief description:				
√	ACTION	BEFORE 2004	BETWEEN 2004 - 2009	SINCE 2010
	Identified key research needs			
	Assessed the status and trends of key biodiversity			
	Developed or improved a biological monitoring programme			
	Conducted protected area research on key socio-economic issues			
	Promoted dissemination of protected area research			
	Revised management plan based on monitoring and/or research results			
	Changed management practices based on the results of monitoring and/or research			
	Other research and monitoring activities			