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BIOPAMA: building a partnership between the biodiversity conservation sector and the extractive industry



Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management (BIOPAMA) Project

- Funded by the European Development Fund on the Intra-ACP line (Africa – Caribbean – Pacific)
 - 20 M EUR for the period 2011-2015
- Implementing agencies:
- EC Joint Research Centre (JRC) & International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN): Observatories & Protected Areas
- German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ): Access and Benefit Sharing



Vision

Address threats to biodiversity in Protected Areas in ACP countries through:

- improving access to the best available information
- enhancing the work of existing institutions and networks
- building capacity to improve policy and decisionmaking on biodiversity conservation, protected areas management, and access and benefit sharing.

What is a Protected area?





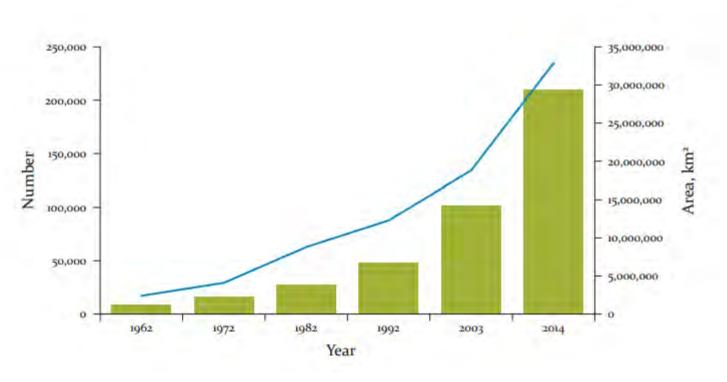
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Growth in Protected Areas



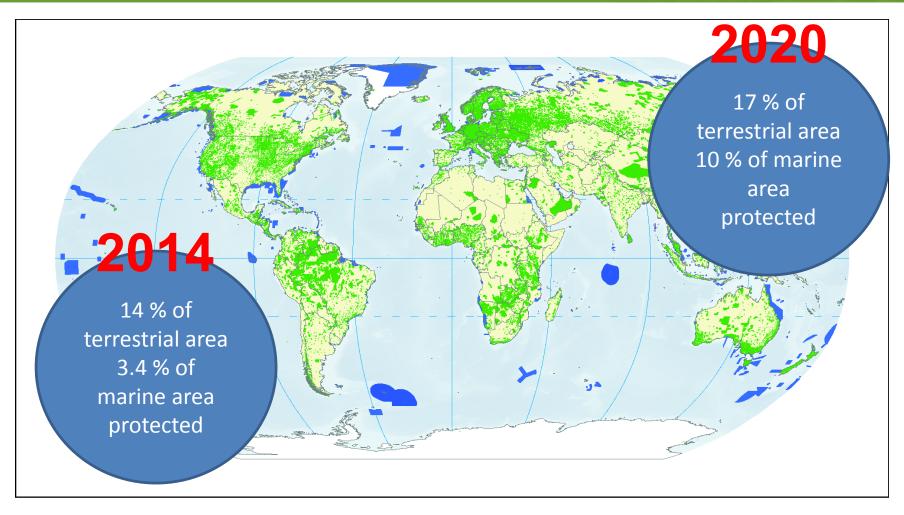


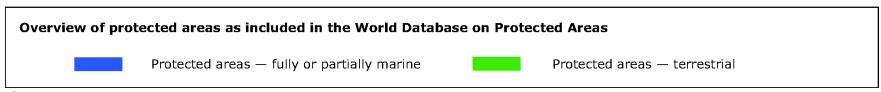
terrestrial and marine protected area network: number of sites (green bars) and in area (km2; blue line)

(Source: http://unep-wcmc.org/)

Protected Areas







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Impact of mining on Protected Areas BIRPAMA



Effective partnerships



Driver of economic growth & job creation

Increasing co-operation and awareness between EI & conservation interests

Direct & indirect contributions to protected areas

Contribution to improved knowledge of biodiversity

Improved technology to minimize impact and improve restoration

Voluntary commitment not to operate in existing UNESCO World Heritage Sites (ICMM)



Conservation or Development

Conservation and Development





Theme for East and Southern Africa:

Land/Resource Use conflict/competition



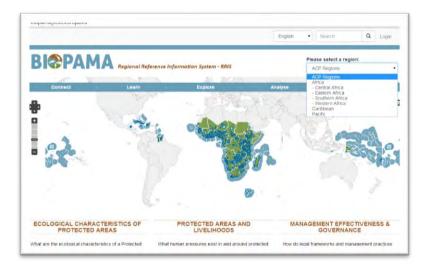
BIOPAMA Implementation



A major objective: Implementation of Observatories

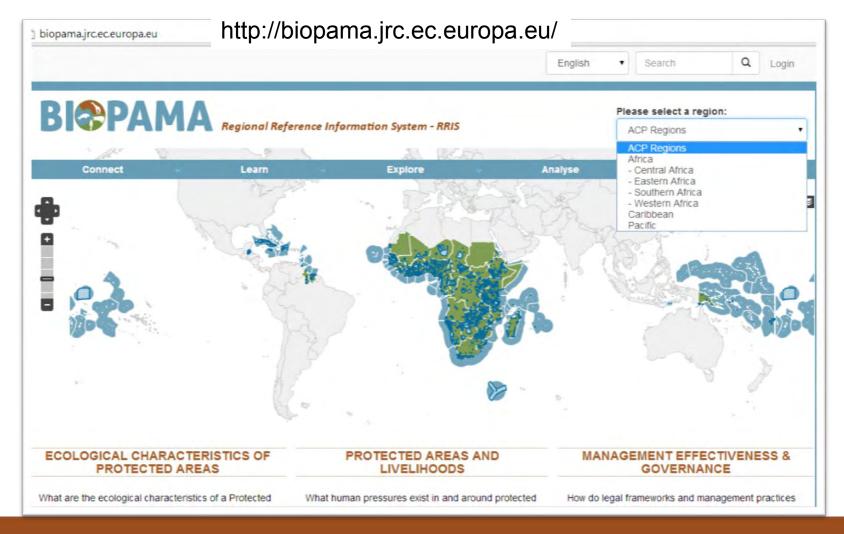
- Serve as knowledge centres for the regions;
- Facilitate networking of experts and institutions;
- Support capacity building;
- Coordinate technical and policy support to national agencies and regional organizations.

Regional Reference Information System





Regional Reference Information System (RRIS)





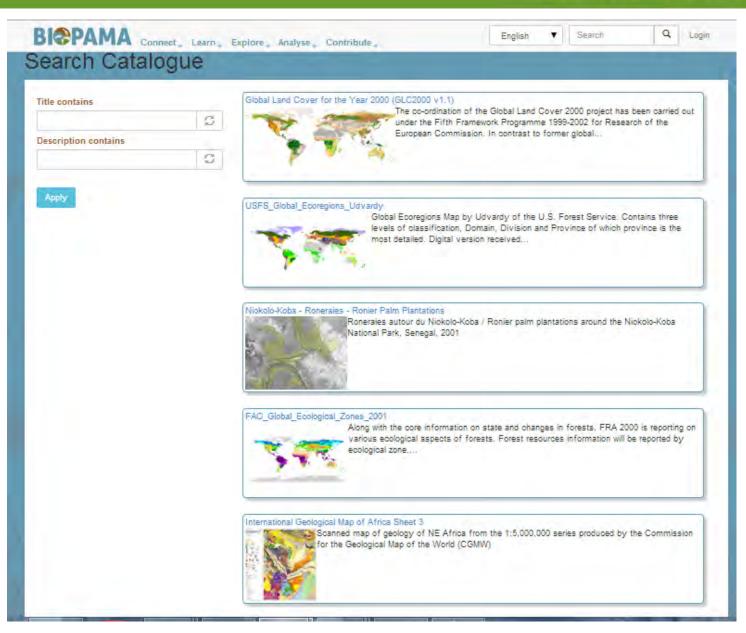
Regional Reference Information System – main features

 Online information System linking relevant Protected Area-related information and data in the region

 Provides access to authoritative scientific information to support policy and decision-making (e.g. information on agriculture, mining, oil and gas concessions, infrastructure)

Data available in the RRIS

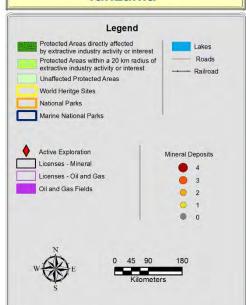


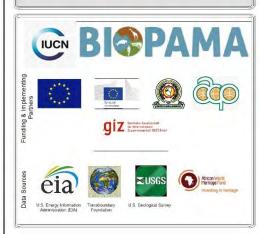


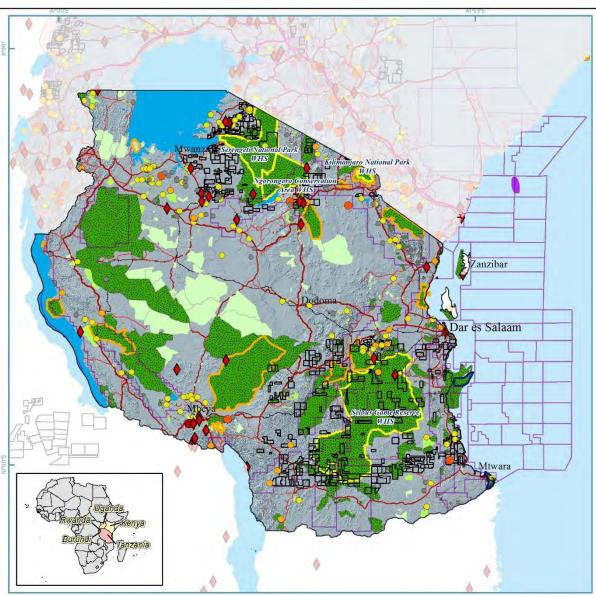
Potential data



Protected Areas and Extractive Industries **Tanzania**



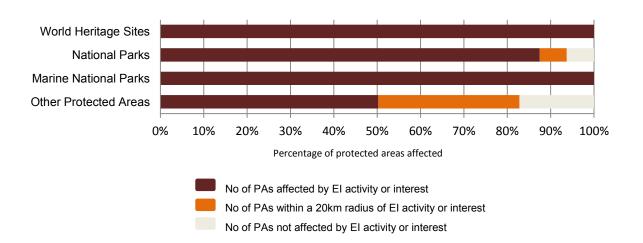




Potential data



Protected Area (PA) type	Number of PAs in the network	No of PAs affected by EI activity or interest	No of PAs within a 20km radius of El activity or interest	No of PAs not affected by EI activity or interest
World Heritage Sites	4	4	-	-
National Parks	16	14	1	1
Marine National Parks (including reserves & sanctuary)	5	5	-	-
Other Protected Areas	593	298	193	102
Total	618	321	194	103



Benefits of the RRIS



Access to relevant information

Access to credible science to support decisions

Speeds up the process of decision making

Reduce costs

Creates shared value through balancing conservation & development needs

Insight into cumulative impacts

Promotes cooperative governance

Promotes transparency

Ensures consistent decision-making

Data Security





O'Hagen – Adam Smith Framework





Going forward



Strengthening partnerships to promote data sharing

Building capacity to use & apply the information

Promote the uptake of the Regional Reference Information System



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