

Dear Donor Council Members,

Below please find the document links pertaining to the 37th CEPF Donor Council Meeting to be held virtually on Thursday, 19 November. Instructions on how to join the meeting will be sent in a separate email.

I look forward to our forthcoming discussion!

Best regards,



Olivier Langrand
Executive Director

Documents and Executive Director's Report for the November 2020 Donor Council Meeting

**37th Meeting of the
Donor Council**
Thursday, 19 November 2020
8:00 – 9:30 (EST)



Links to Meeting Documents

1. [Preliminary List of Attendees](#)
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Sunset on Flores, Timur, in the Wallacea Biodiversity Hotspot. © Rifky / Rekam Nusantara Foundation

Executive Director's Report

AT A GLANCE

• Hotspot strategies implemented	25
• Countries and territories covered	98
• Partners supported	2,493
• Grants committed	US\$253 million
• Amount leveraged by those grants	US\$377 million
• Protected areas created [hectares]	15.4 million
• Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs) with strengthened management and protection [hectares]	48 million
• Biodiversity management strengthened in production landscapes [hectares]	8.6 million
• IUCN Red-listed species benefited	890
• Communities benefiting	3,526
• People trained	137,325
• People receiving cash benefits	58,156
• Partnerships created	347
• Laws/policies enacted or amended	351
• Sustainable finance mechanisms supported	31
• Companies adopting biodiversity-friendly practices	57

New CEPF Impact Video



Our new video shares how CEPF grantees are working to protect the planet's biodiversity hotspots.

HOTSPOT HIGHLIGHTS



Loggerhead sea turtle (*Caretta caretta*) hatchlings. © Conservation International/photo by Pierre Carret

Updates include:

- Providing personal protective equipment to vulnerable communities in the Tropical Andes + new amphibian species discovered in Ecuador.
- Damage from Tropical Cyclone Harold + protecting the flying fox and dugong.
- First calls for proposals in Mountains of Central Asia.
- Grants for those affected by Beirut explosion + record numbers of loggerhead turtles in Cabo Verde.
- Reflections on Wallacea investment and next steps.
- New protected area in Myanmar.
- CEPF Hotspot Hero helps with conservation efforts following Mauritius oil spill + edible insects and the effects of COVID-19 in Madagascar.

[See More Highlights](#)

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