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# ENHANCING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS THROUGH EXCELLENCE IN EVALUATION



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# SEMI-ANNUAL EVALUATION REPORT

June 2018



## OVERVIEW

1. Annual Performance Report 2018 and Sustainability
2. Ecological Forecasting using Geospatial Analysis: Kenya
3. Management Action Record
4. Evaluation Work in Progress
5. Budget for FY2019







SECTION ONE

# ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2018

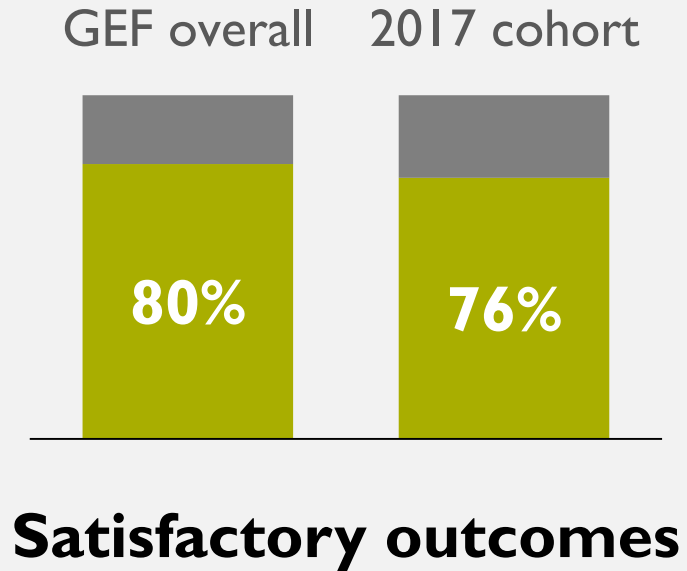
## SPECIAL FOCUS ON SUSTAINABILITY





PERFORMANCE

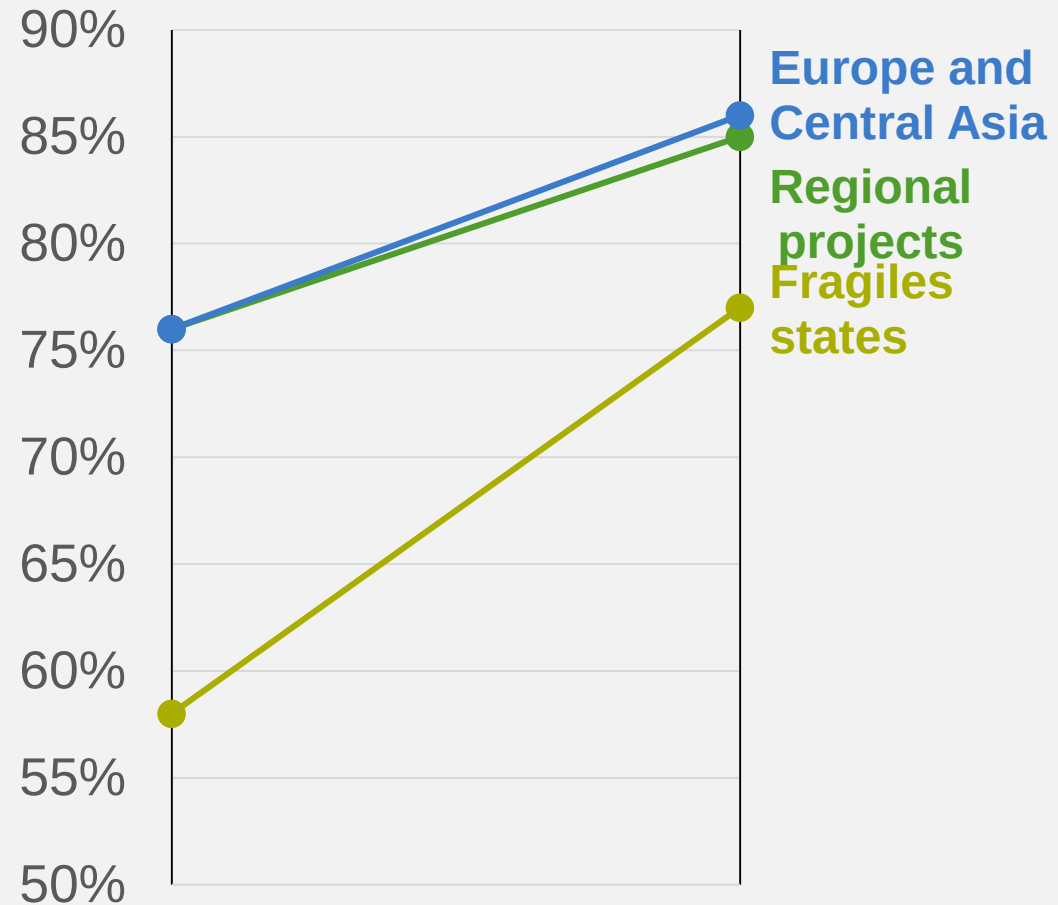
# Outcomes



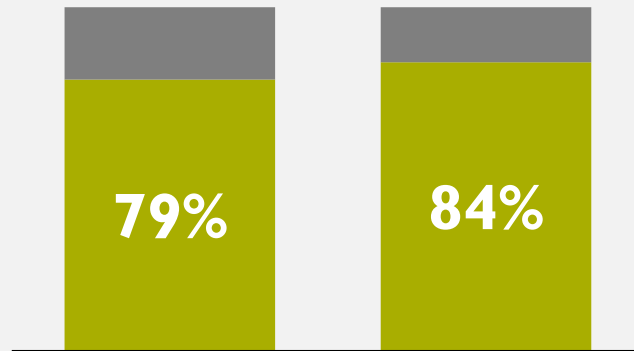
## Projects with satisfactory outcomes

Pilot to  
GEF-2

GEF-3  
onwards



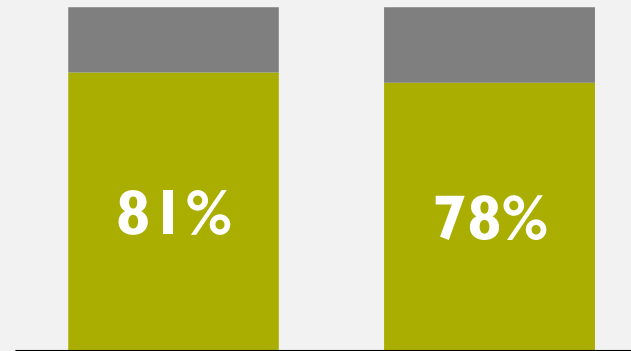
GEF overall 2017 cohort



### Implementation

✓ Effective steering committee

GEF overall 2017 cohort



### Execution

✓ Effective steering committee

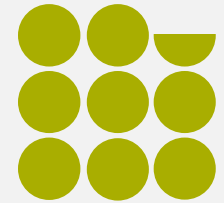
✓ Country support

GEF overall 2017 cohort

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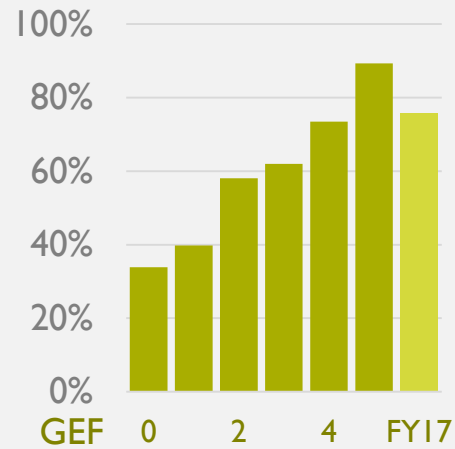


### Cofinancing

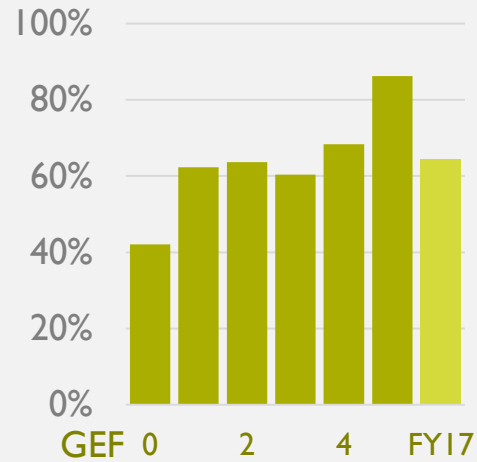
✓ 100% or more expected cofinancing



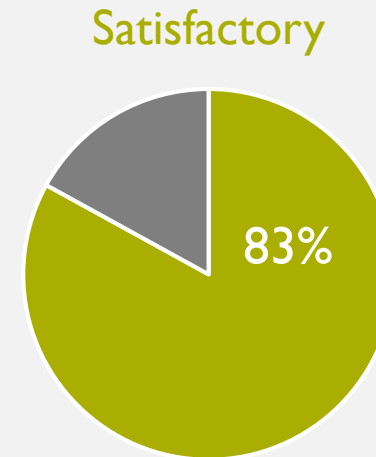
# Monitoring and Evaluation



**Design improved**



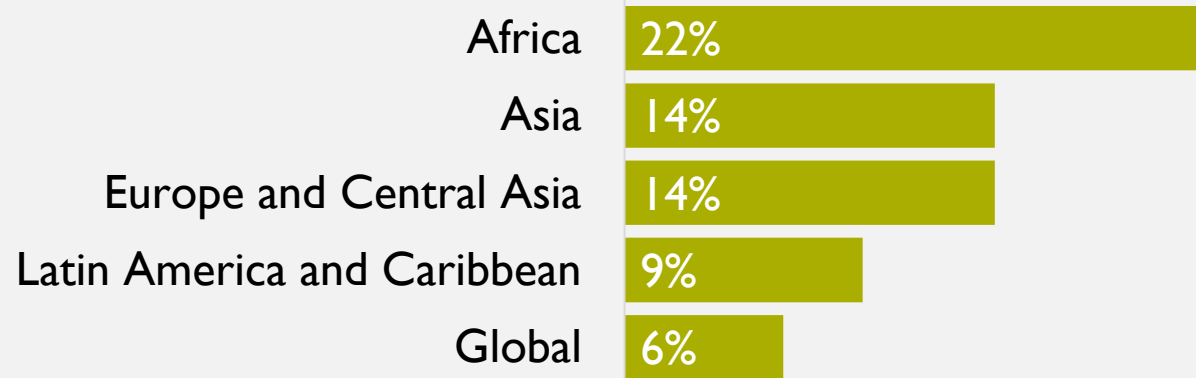
**Implementation improved**



**Quality of terminal evaluations remains high but gaps in coverage**

# Gender M&E

## Gender disaggregated data



**Africa leads**



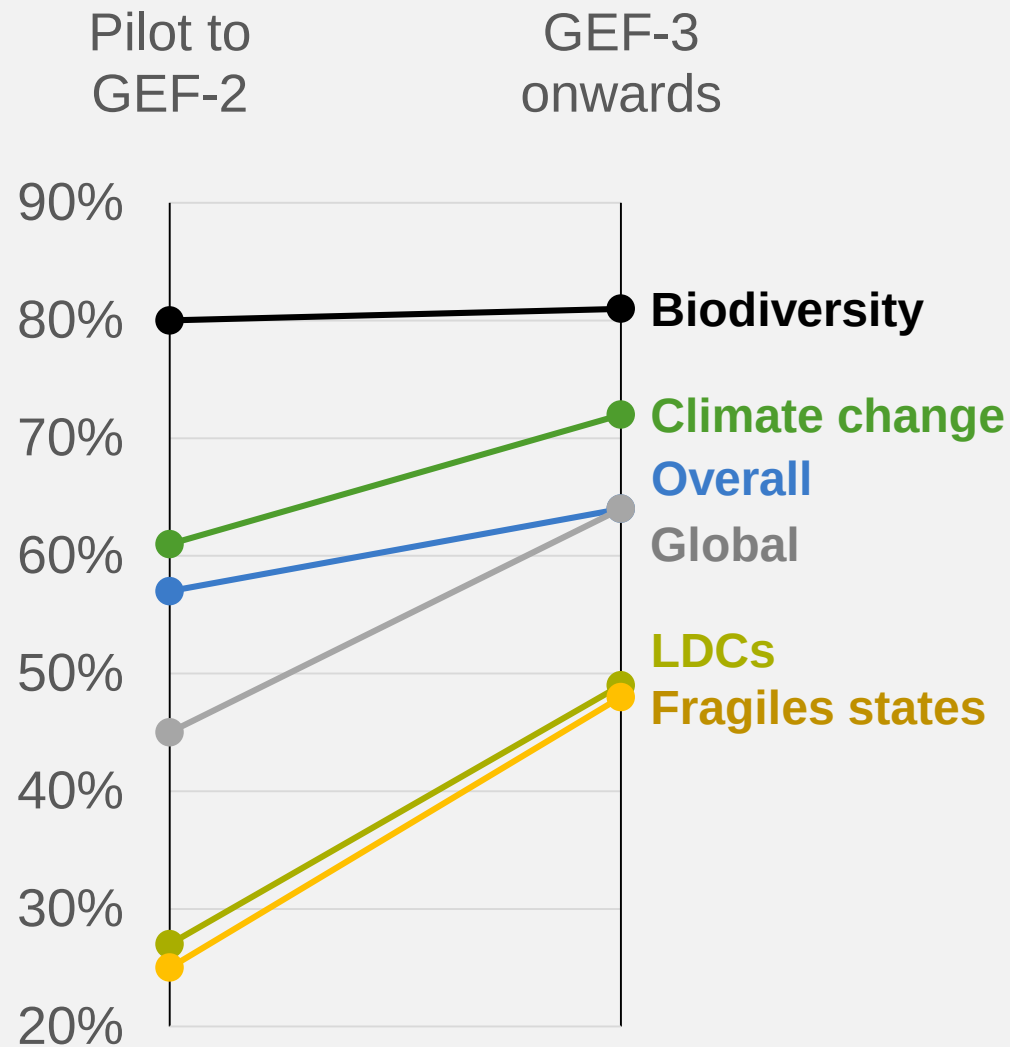
**Improvements in gender reporting**  
in terminal evaluations and  
project implementation reports



SUSTAINABILITY



# At project completion (62%)

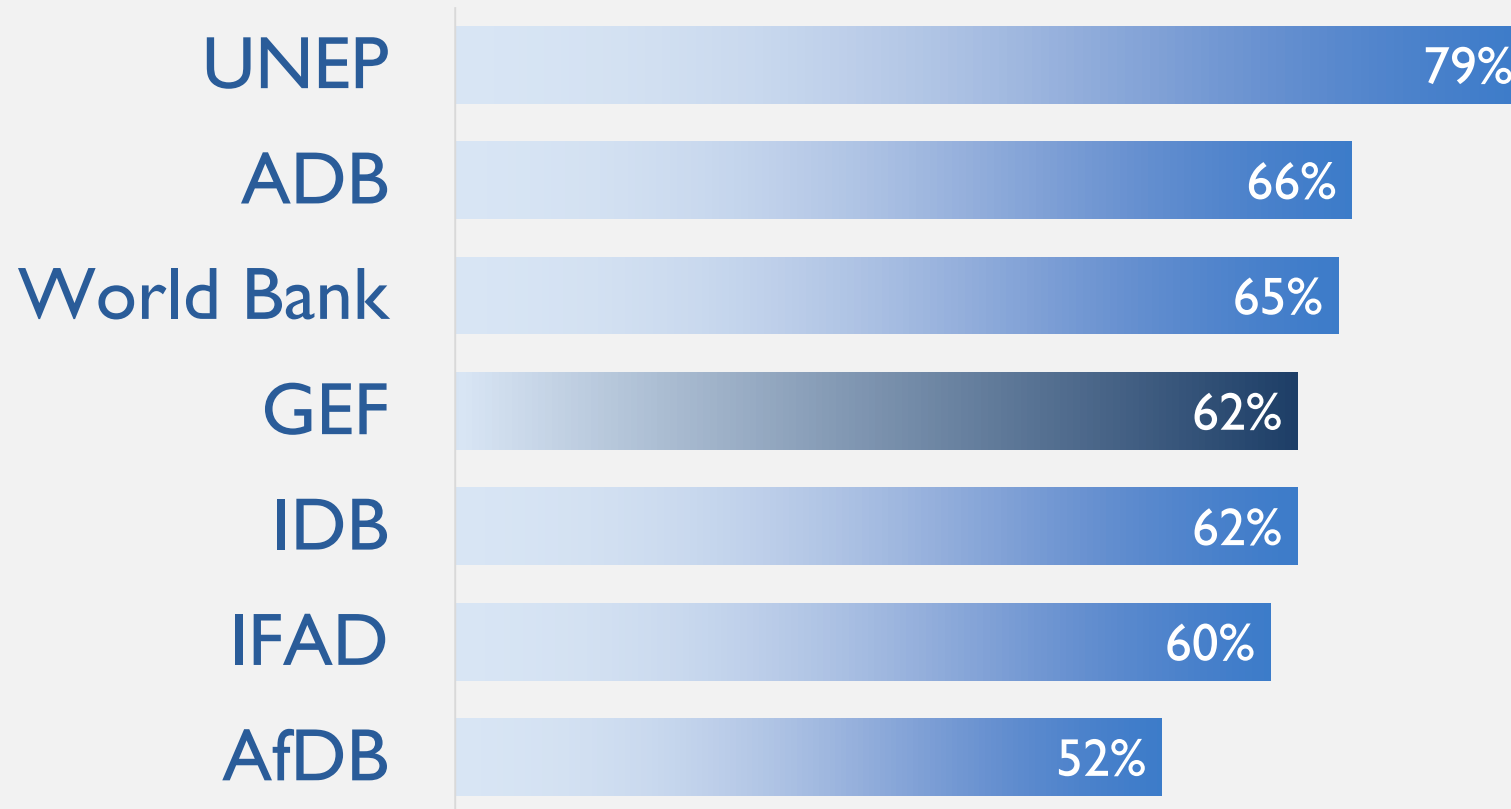


## Factors

- ✓ Quality of project preparation
- ✓ Country context
- ✓ Government support
- ✓ Quality of implementation and execution
- ✓ Materialization of cofinancing

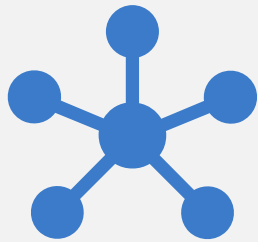
# At project completion (62%)

## Comparable multilateral organizations



# Post project completion

**Higher sustainability ratings at project completion**  
are associated with higher levels of



Broader adoption



Environmental  
stress reduction



Post project  
completion outcomes

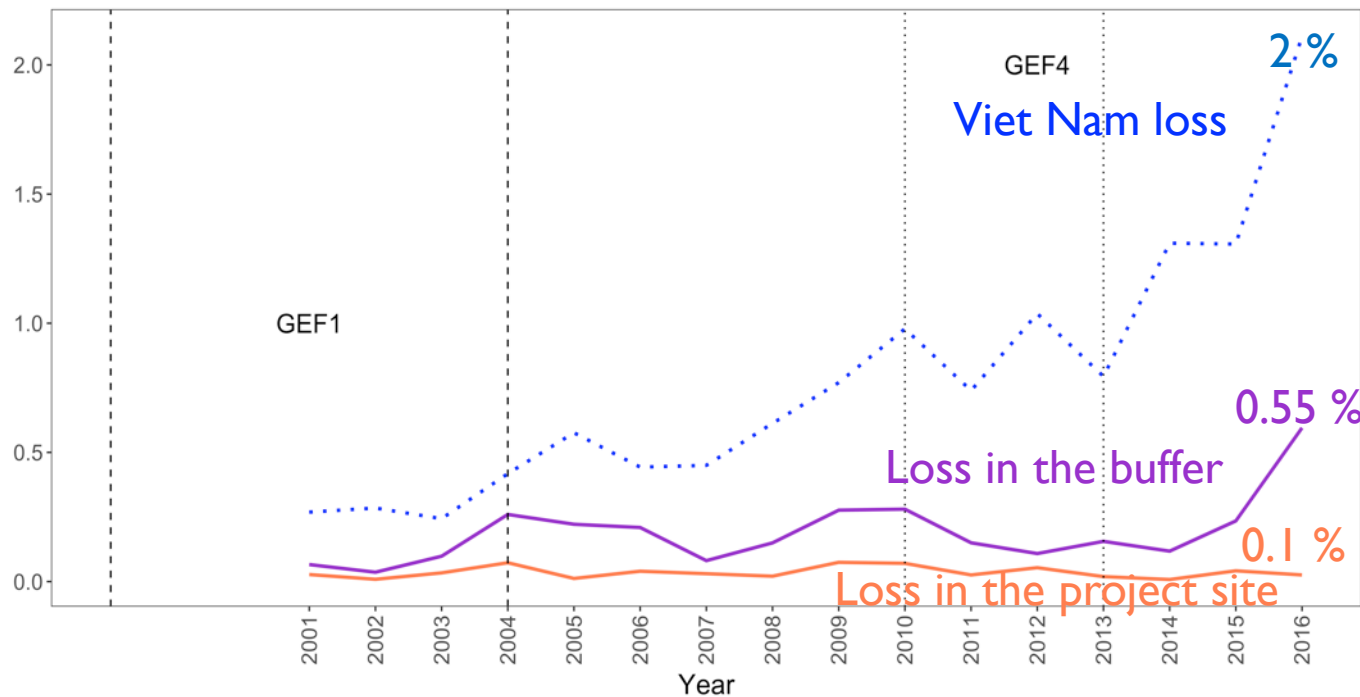
# Ba Be: Sustainable Forest Management, Viet Nam

## SUSTAINABLE OUTCOME

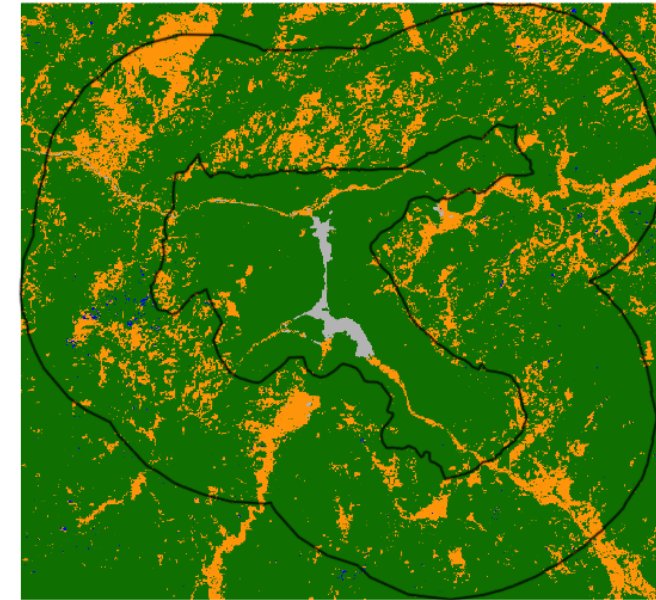
Forest loss did not increase despite unprecedented increase in the buffer and at country level

Loss rate (%/year)

### Forest cover loss



2000



Cover

- Forest
- Non-forest
- Forest gain
- Forest loss
- Water
- No data

Region

- GEF1\_209\_Ba Be

# Cardamom Mountains

## Integrated Protected Area System, Cambodia

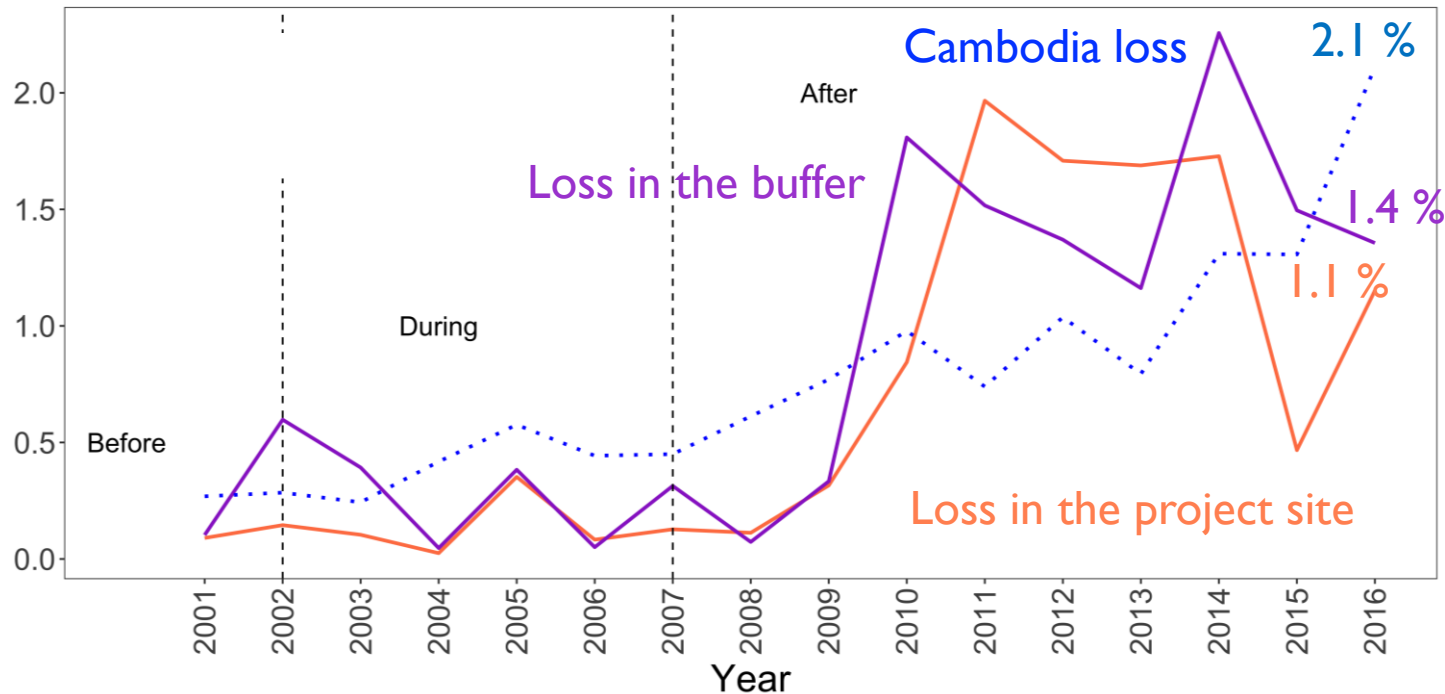
### **NO INDICATION OF SUSTAINABLE OUTCOME**

Forest loss increased at a similar rate compared to the buffer and at country level

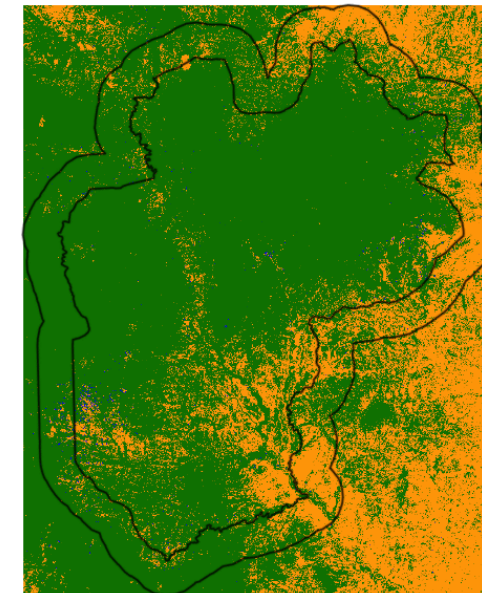
Loss rate (%/year)

#### Forest cover loss

Forest cover loss of Phnom Aural relative to its forest cover in 2000



2000



Cover

- Forest
- Non-forest
- Forest gain
- Forest loss
- Water
- No data

Region

- GEF2\_1086\_Phnom Aural

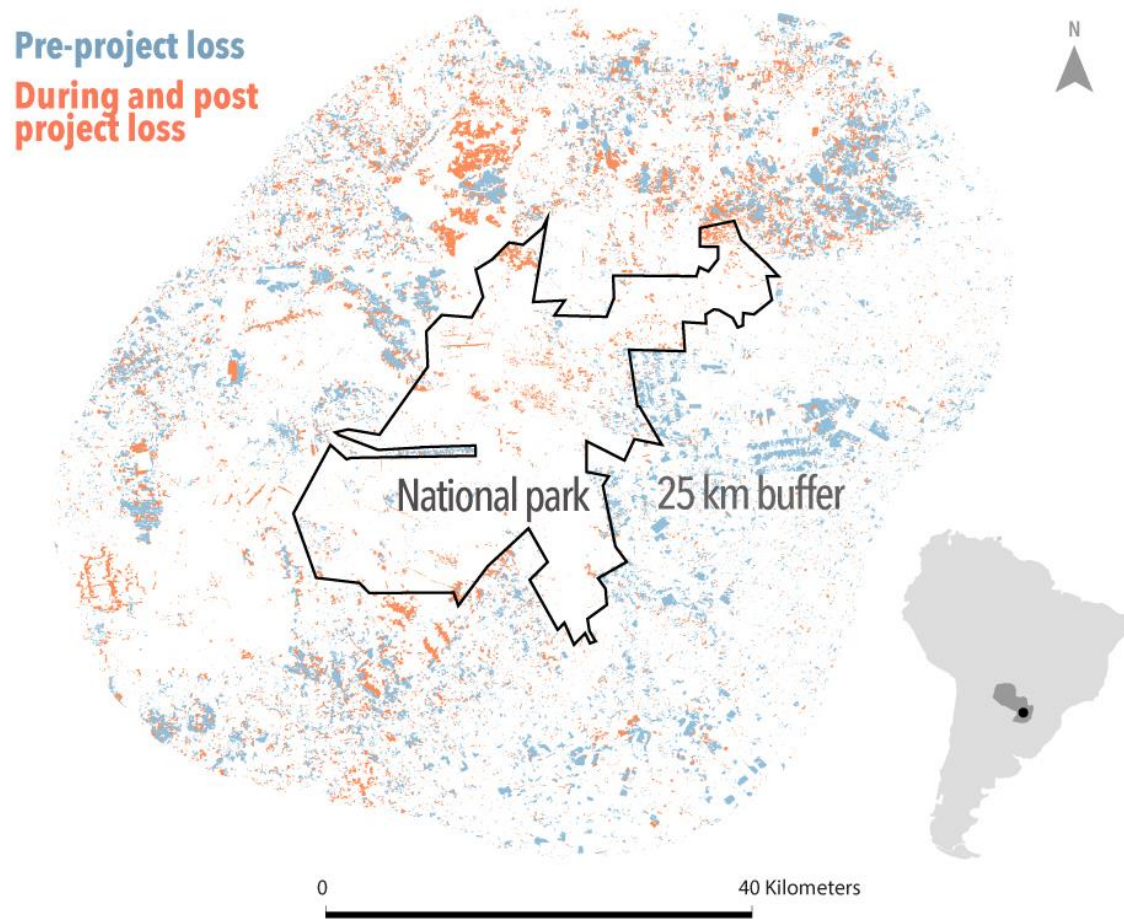


# San Rafael National Park

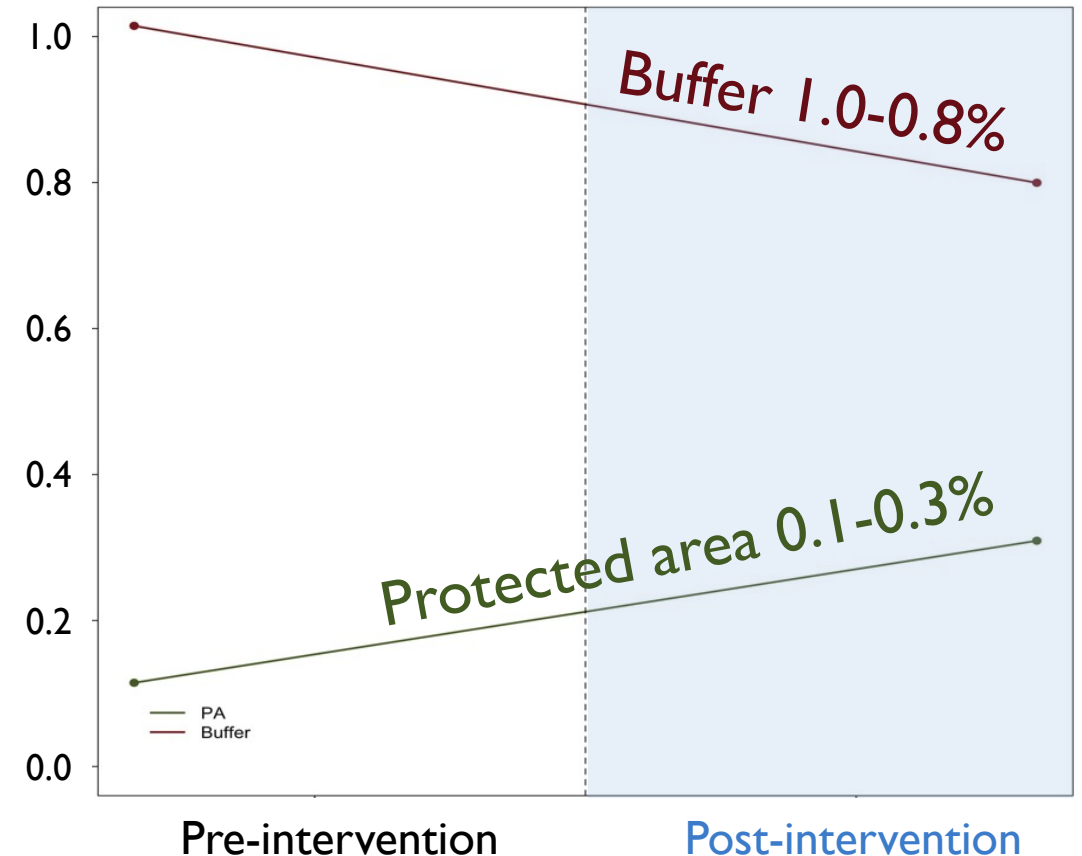
## Conservation of Biodiversity in Atlantic Forests of Eastern Paraguay

### **NO INDICATION OF SUSTAINABLE OUTCOME**

Forest loss increased (0.1% to 0.3%) compared to decrease in buffer (1.0 to 0.8 %)



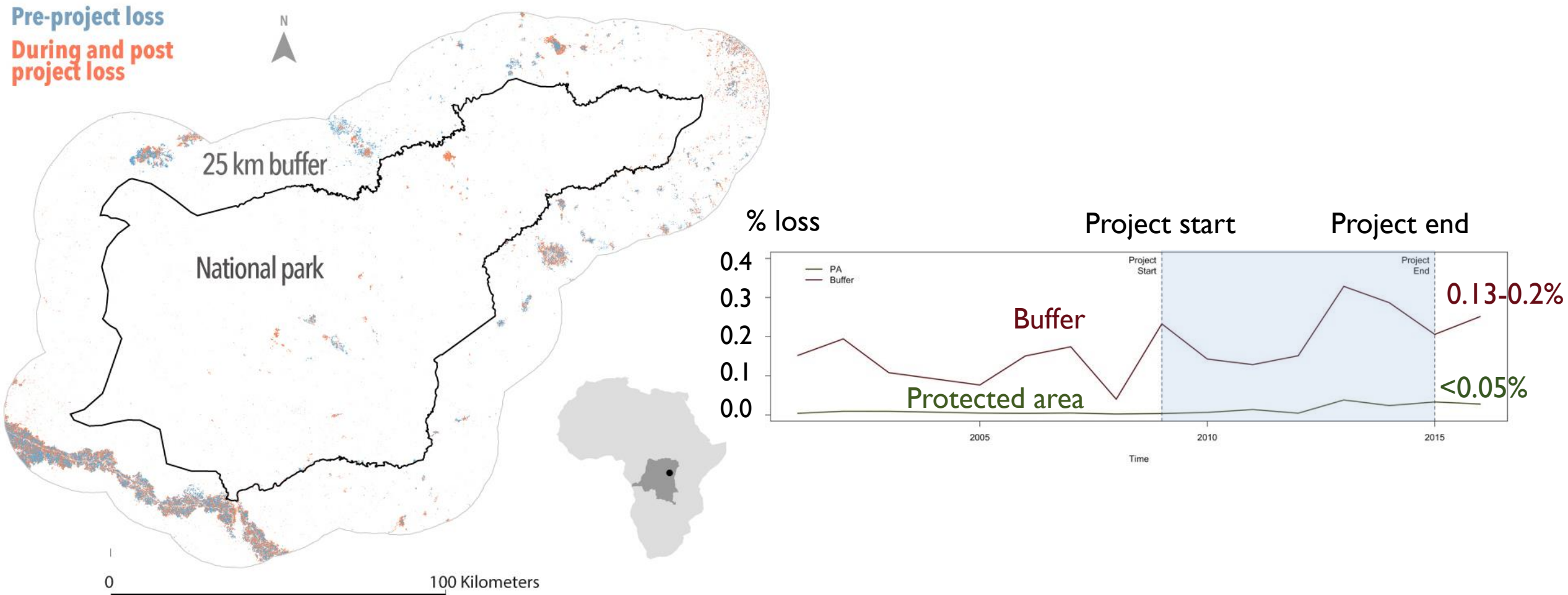
% forest loss/year



# Maiko National Park : CBSP Forest and Nature Conservation, DR Congo

## SUSTAINABLE FOREST CONSERVATION

Forest loss stable ( $<0.05\%$ ) compared to increase in the buffer (0.13 to 0.2 %)





## SECTION TWO

# ECOLOGICAL FORECASTING USING GEOSPATIAL ANALYSIS

Kenya



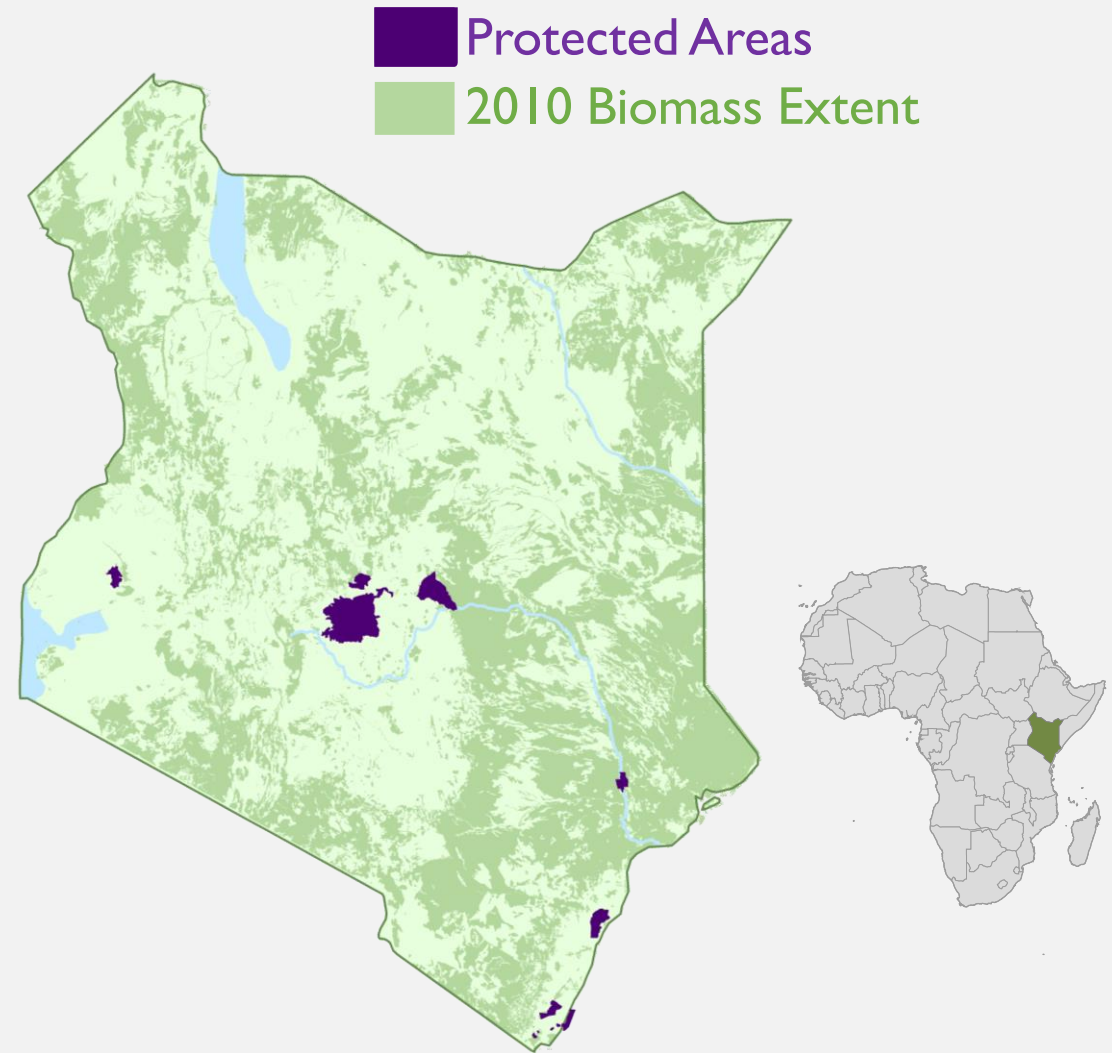
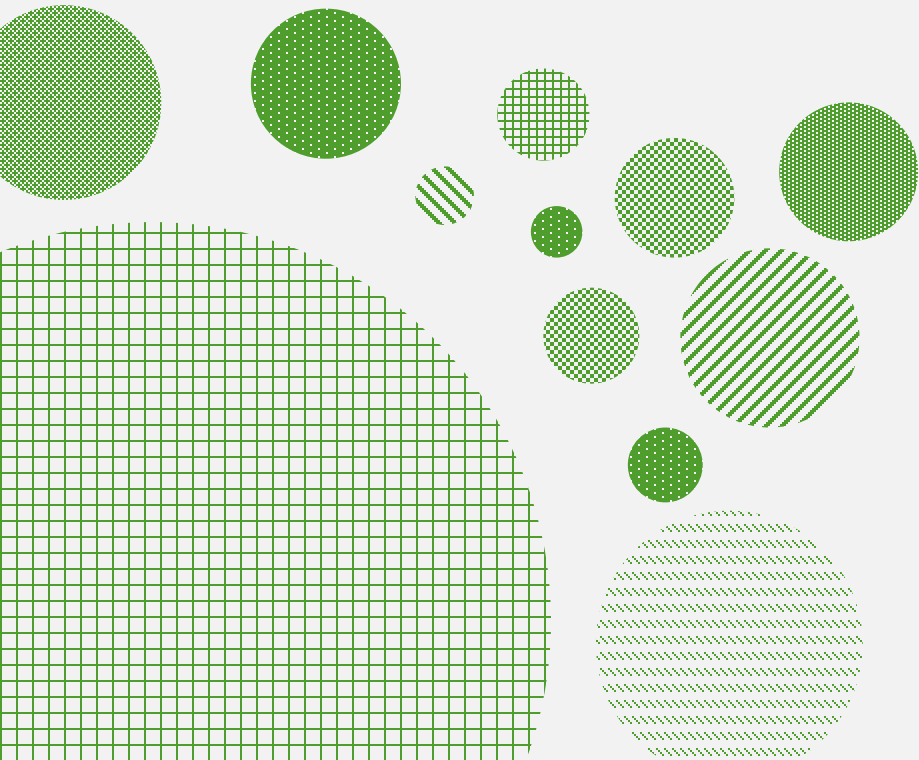


# Kenya study

12 terrestrial protected areas (5035 km<sup>2</sup>)

Diversity of land cover types and sizes

Study periods: 1995-2016, 2020 and 2030



# Kenya study: Results



**Little to no net change**  
in above-ground carbon stocks

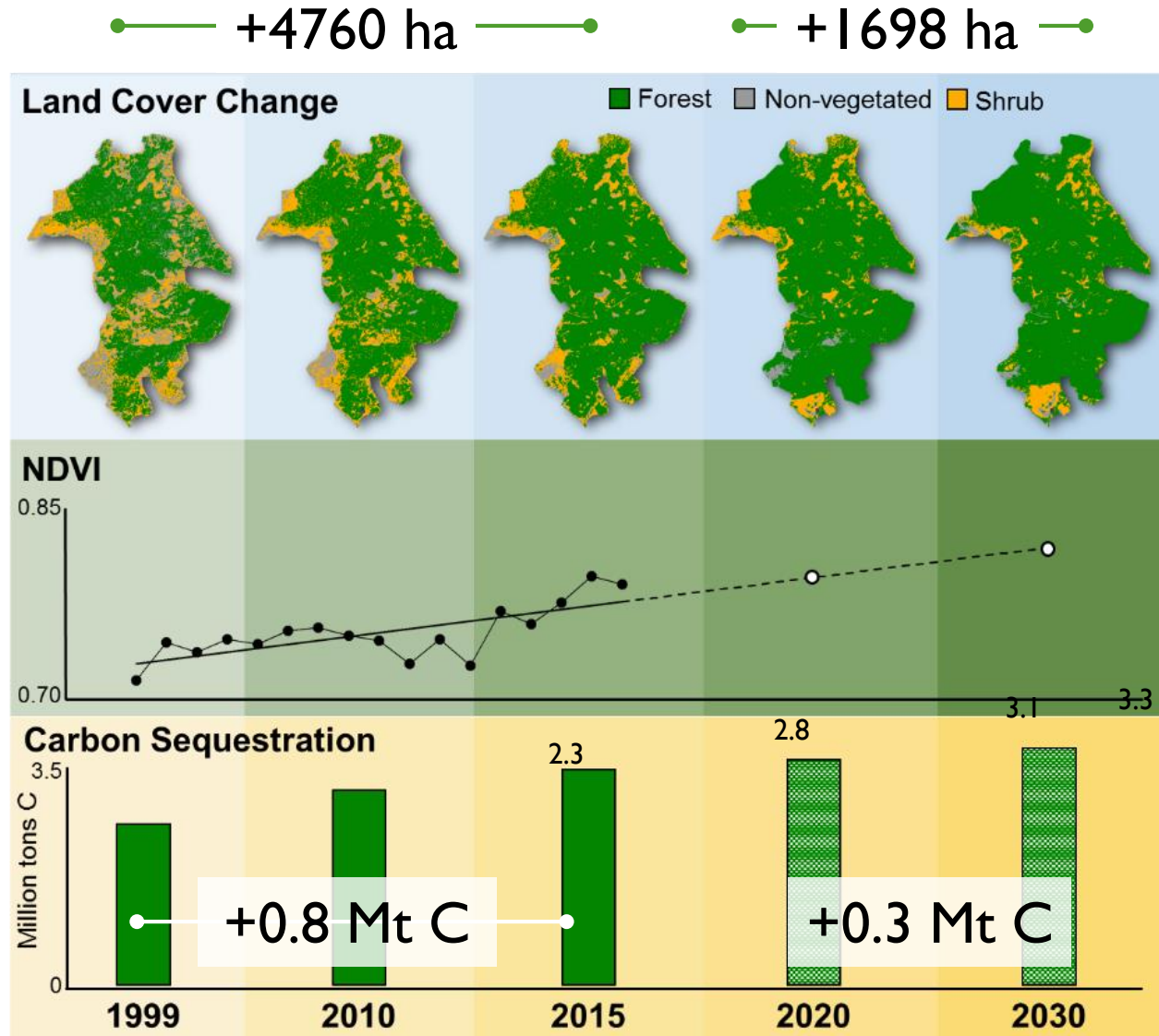


**Proximity to rivers and  
irrigated agriculture**  
contribute to land cover  
change



**Community engagement  
and infrastructure**  
contribute to benefits

# Kenya study: Kakamega Forest Reserve

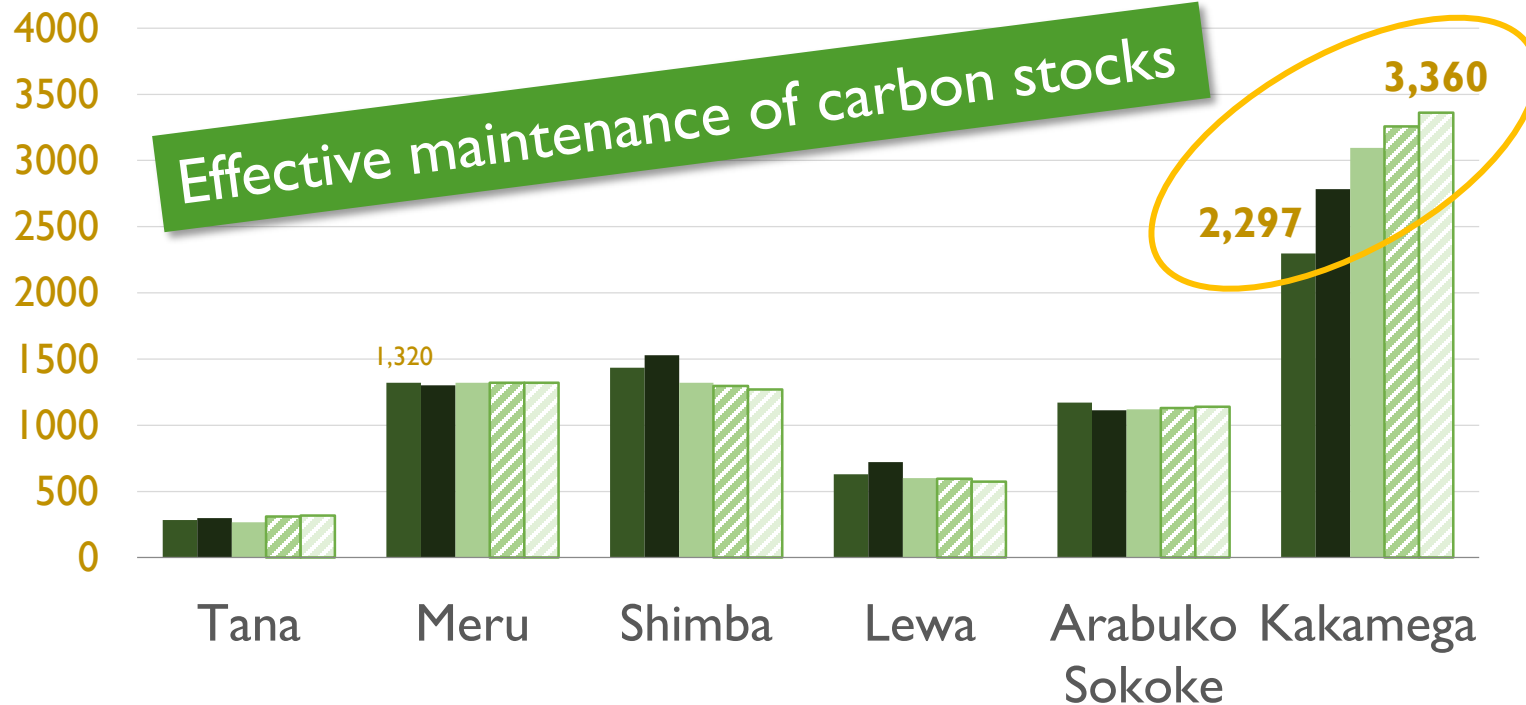
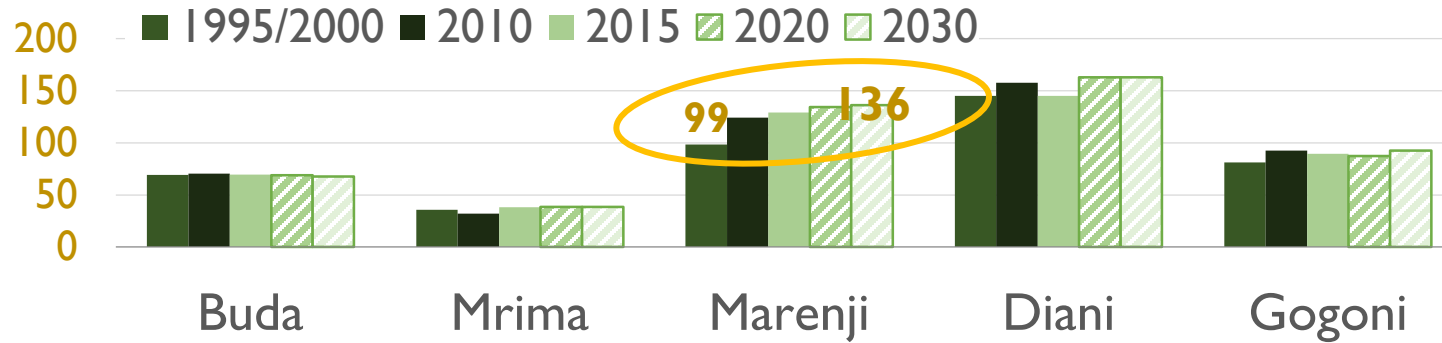


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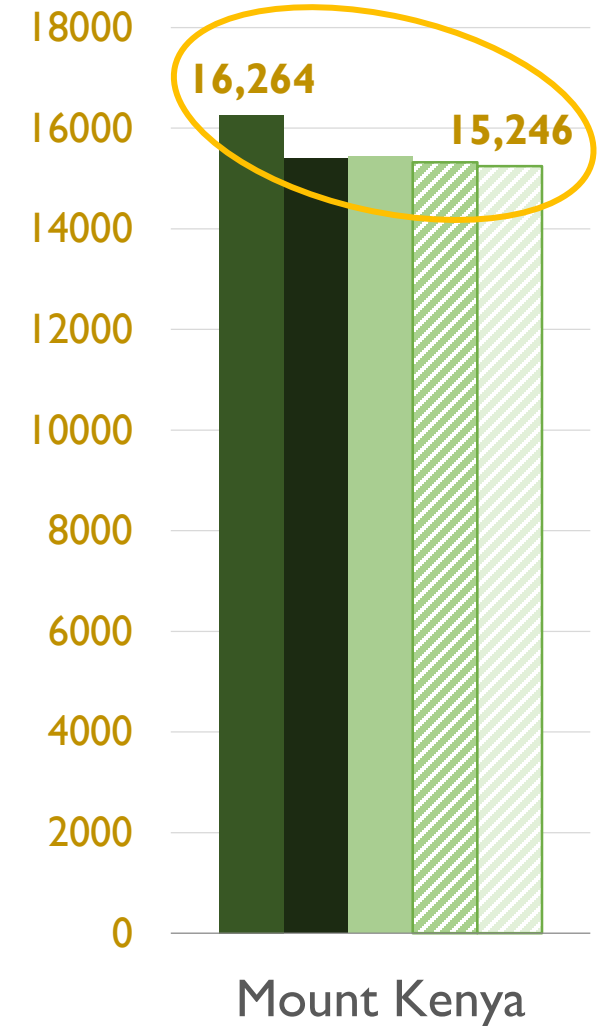


# Aboveground carbon estimates, projections

Gigagrams of carbon



Gigagrams of carbon



# Applications of this tool



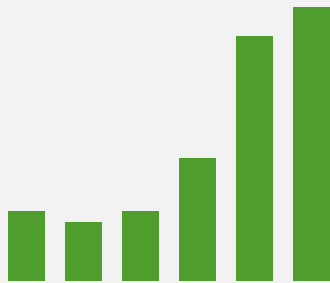
Establish baselines



Measure sustainability



Help set realistic  
targets



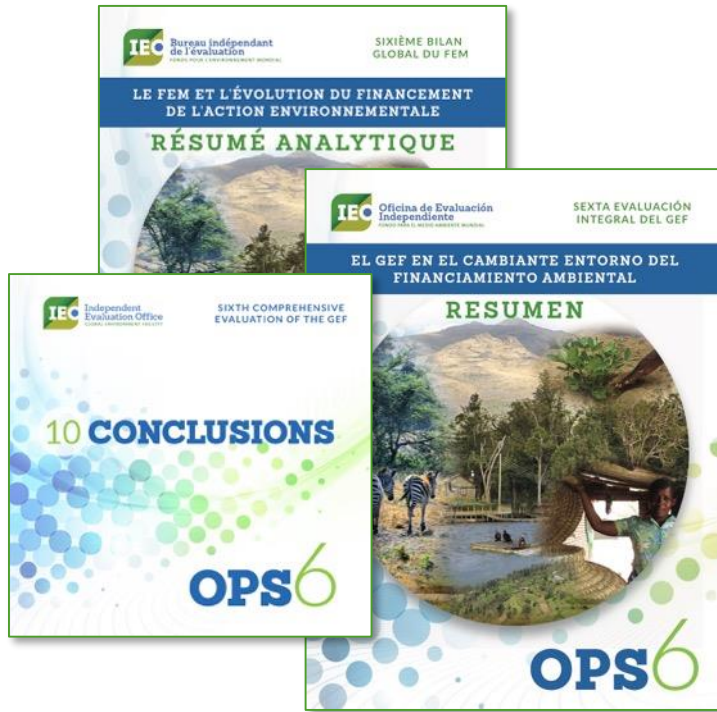
Measure impact



Inform locations for GEF interventions

# Knowledge management

## Sharing OPS6



## Sharing



## Training



Geospatial methods



Writing effective evaluations

# Management action record

Evaluation of the  
GEF CSO  
Network

**SUBSTANTIAL  
ADOPTION**

Joint GEF-UNDP  
Small Grants  
Program  
Evaluation  
(SAER June 2015)

**MEDIUM  
ADOPTION**

Annual  
Performance  
Report 2015

**MEDIUM  
ADOPTION**

Annual Country  
Portfolio  
Evaluation Report  
2012

**RETIRED**



The background of the slide is a vibrant underwater photograph. It features a variety of coral reefs in shades of green and blue, with numerous small fish swimming throughout the water. A prominent, long, thin fish with dark stripes is visible in the lower center, swimming upwards. The overall lighting is bright and clear, typical of a healthy marine environment.

SECTION FOUR

# WORK PROGRAM FOR FY19



# Evaluations underway for FY19

## **November 2018**

Evaluation of GEF's Approach to Mainstreaming Biodiversity

Evaluation of the Clean Technology Program

Evaluation of GEF Support to Scaling Up Impacts

Framework for Measuring GEF's Additionality

M&E Policy Update

Additionality in the GEF

## **June 2019**

June: Strategic Country Cluster Evaluations: LDCs, African Biomes

## **Fall 2019**

Evaluation GEF Medium-Sized Projects, SIDS

# Estimated IEO budget for FY19

|                | \$ millions    |
|----------------|----------------|
| Fixed costs    | \$4.211        |
| Variable costs | \$0.170        |
| Evaluations    | \$0.190        |
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| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$4.571</b> |





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## RECOMMENDED COUNCIL DECISION

*The Council, having reviewed the “Semi-Annual Evaluation Report of the GEF Independent Evaluation Office: June 2018”, approves the IEO Budget for FY2019.*