



EU biodiversity support in Africa

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New EU commitment for international biodiversity funding

The EU is doubling its external funds for biodiversity

7 billion euros will be spent to support
African countries and other partners on biodiversity
for the period 2021- 2027.

“Ahead of COP15 in December, we are confirming an unprecedented investment in support to our partners. I call on all international donors to match our ambition on biodiversity.” **President von der Leyen**

3 streams of activities



Support the **protection, sustainable use** and **restoration** of high biodiversity value areas



Tackle **wildlife and timber trafficking** and reduce pressure on wildlife and forests



Integrate biodiversity in key sectors (agriculture, fisheries, energy, cities, infra, mines...)

KNOWLEDGE

Research, capacity-building, information systems

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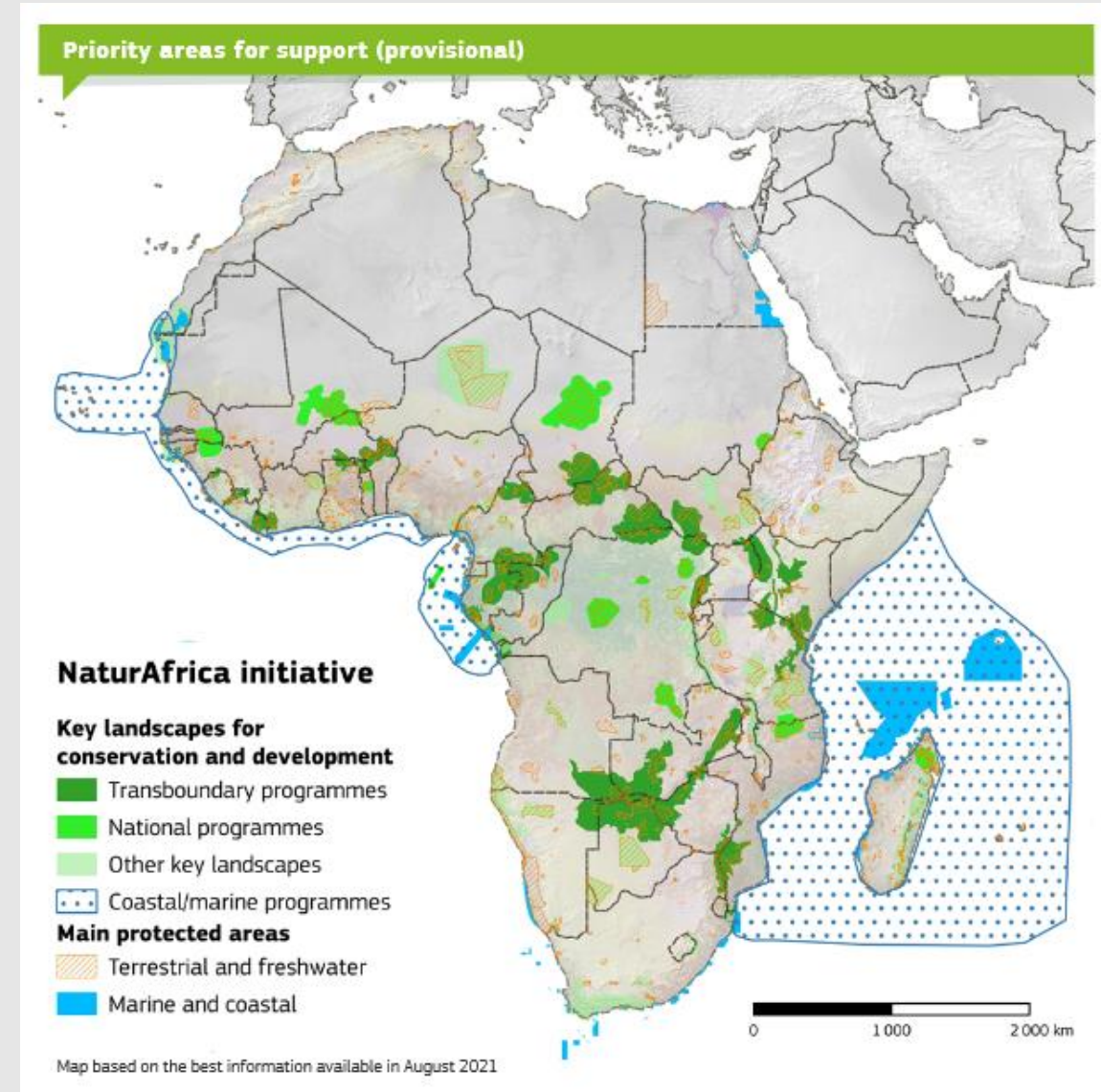
Community-based, indigenous, gender, youth...

NaturAfrica: an EU Flagship for people and nature

Key objective: support **biodiversity conservation** and **socio-economic development** in key landscapes/seascapes for conservation and development.

Beneficiaries: Six terrestrial biomes and 4 coastal/ocean windows, covering over 3 million km² that are home to 65 million inhabitants in around 35 countries

Total budget: around 1.5 billion EUR in grant funding forecasted in NaturAfrica first phase (2021/2025).



The promotion of an integrated landscape approach



- **An integrated approach to conservation and development objectives:** linking conservation in protected areas with the development opportunities generated by the ecosystem services in surrounding areas
- **Inclusive work with** partner countries, regional and local authorities, local communities, national and local civil society, private sector, Member States, other EU partners
- **Key enabling conditions:** Security of land tenure and user rights, coordinated cross-sectoral planning and programming, inclusive governance, multi-sectoral monitoring

GOVERNANCE

Law enforcement, policy framework
Inclusive identification and implementation
Sustainable finance

CONSERVATION

Capacity-building
Anti-poaching
Ecological monitoring
Research
Management effectiveness

DEVELOPMENT

Green economy
Sustainable agriculture
Forestry, fisheries, tourism
Energy, Infrastructure
Education, health

The Virunga National Park

Nexus Nature-Development-Stability

An integrated approach linking biodiversity protection and economic development

Fisheries and
agriculture



Security



Sustainable energy

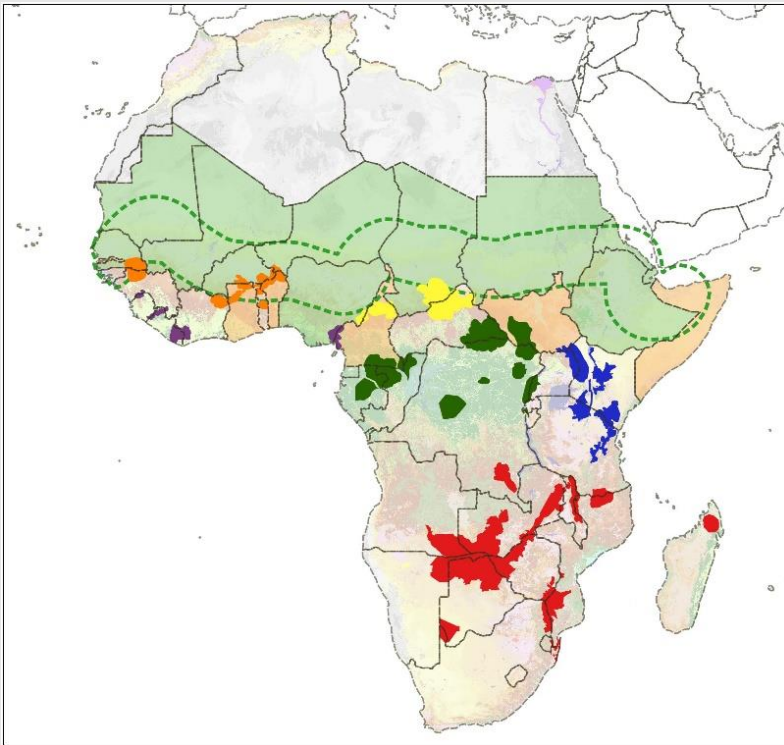


Ecotourism

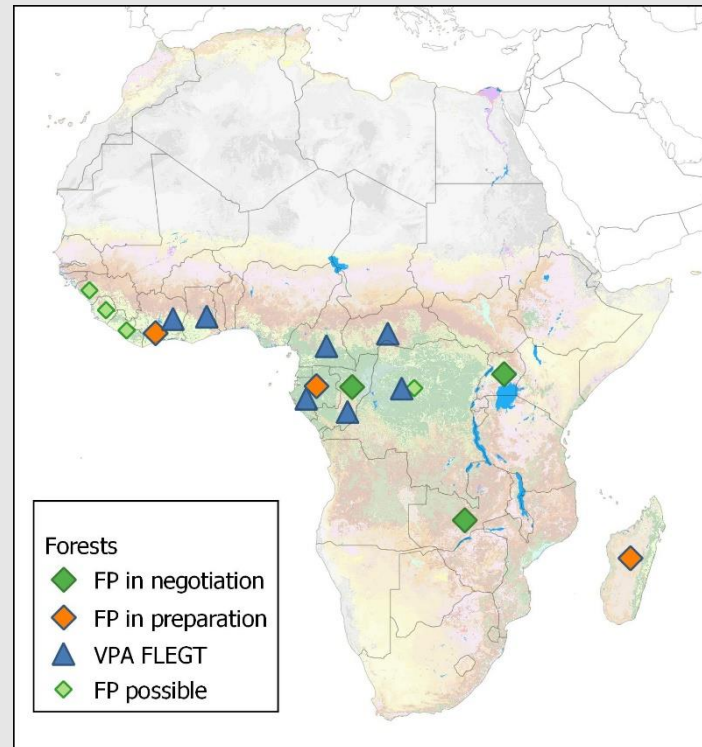


Other Flagship initiatives

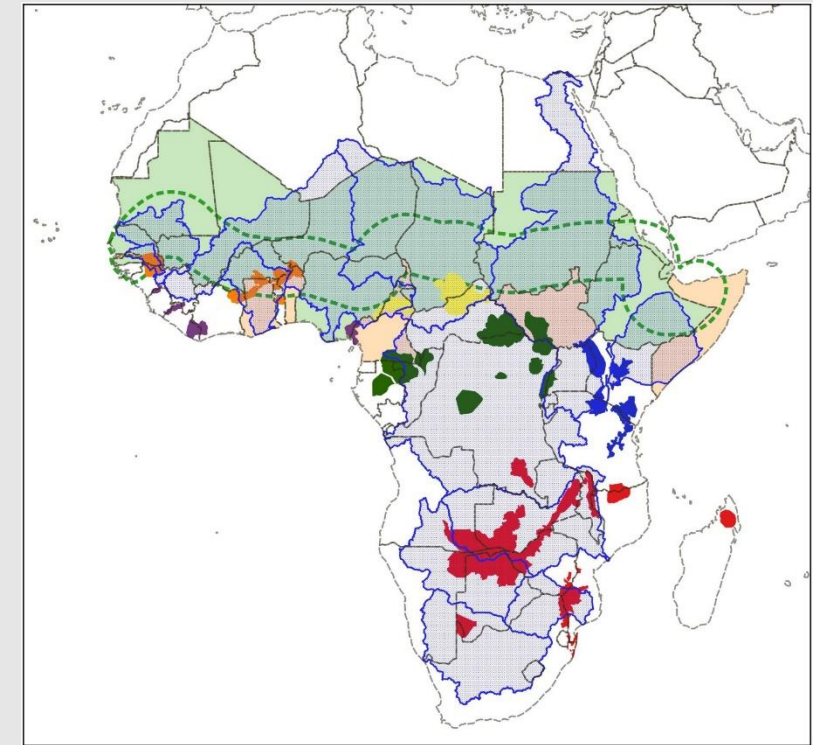
Great Green Wall



Forest Partnerships



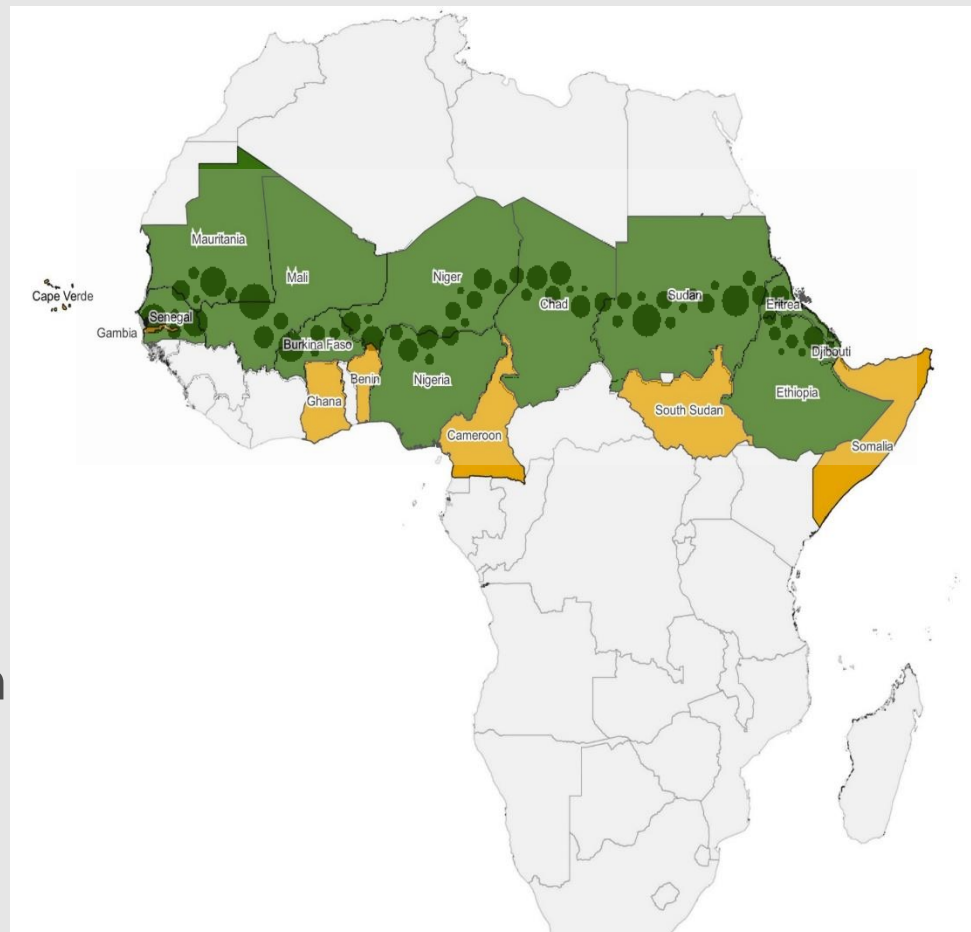
Watersheds



EU Support to the GGW



- **Goal:** regreen the Sahel from Senegal to Somalia through a mosaic of sustainable development projects.
- **Key features:** African-led movement and community-based
- **5 pillars:** (i) sustainable agriculture; (ii) land restoration & sustainable ecosystem management; (iii) climate-resilient infrastructure & renewable energy; (iv) institutions & governance; (v) capacity building.
- **One Planet Summit in 2021:** EUR 700 million/year pledge
- **Implementation:** Support mainly via national programmes in 11+7 countries
- **Official commitments for 2021:** EUR 714.5 M



Other biodiversity-related capacity building programmes



ACPMEAs

Support the capacity building for the implementation of MEAs in the Africa, Caribbean and the Pacific regions

<https://www.acpmeas.com/>

BIOPAMA

Support for knowledge and monitoring for Protected Areas

<https://www.biopama.org/>



Sustainable Wildlife Management programme

Improve wildlife conservation and food security

<https://www.swm-programme.info/homepage>

Thank you !



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