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# Featured Content

In Cambodia and Vietnam community conservation is filling gaps left in governmentled land protection



By Lily Robinson, ILCN News and Creative Content Editor and Shenmin Liu, ILCN Regional Representative for Asia November 5, 2022

The two south Asian countries are havens of biodiversity and their legal frameworks are being developed to better facilitate land conservation. Where government initiatives fall short, private and non-governmental organizations are stepping in to empower community action.

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The Sustainable Finance Coalition's first Landscape Finance Boot Camp showcased the power of collaboration and shared language



By Lily Robinson, ILCN News and Creative Content Editor November 5, 2022

When the Sustainable Finance Coalition began floating the idea of hosting a conservation finance event, it identified an area of weakness for environmental entrepreneurship: a lack of shared language. Each field has its own terminology for discussing concepts within its industry, which deterred effective cross-sector communication and collaboration. But what if conservation, finance, and business leaders could come together in one room and spend a day learning alongside each other, networking, and building bridges between the industries? This was the goal of the coalition's day-long boot camp, held in Sandton, South Africa on Oct. 4.

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The ILCN's Land Trusts & Climate Change page presents a wealth of stories on innovation in conservation



The resource presents a dozen cases of land trusts pioneering solutions to climate change and biodiversity loss across the globe. It tells stories, such as that narrated in Eva Vayhinger's Restoration of the Lower Havel River in Northeast <u>Germany</u>, in which a boy's childhood promise to his grandfather catalyzes a large-scale project to restore an industrialized landscape to its natural state.

Read an abridged version of Vayhinger's case study here

# <u>Upcoming Events</u>

COP 15 Draft Agenda

The 15th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (Part Two) will be held from December 7-19 at the Montreal Convention and Exhibition Center

Action Zone Event: This day-long event, supported by the ILCN is focused on strengthening non-state actors' common action to support win-win biodiversity conservation and green development.

• December 9, Friday, 9:00-18:15

The ILCN will co-host two sub-events:

**Roundtable Discussion:** Transnational cooperation and community-based conservation to address regional challenges of environment and development

**<u>Keynote Speech</u>**: Enhancing biodiversity and well-being through land conservation Speaker: James N. Levitt, ILCN Director

# Notes From the Field

## Global Landscape Stewards' Peer Learning Exchange builds human and natural connections

By Cecilia Riebl, ILCN Regional Rep. for Australia November 4, 2022

In a three-week journey across eastern Australia, an international group of conservationists came together to learn, travel, and join forces in the battle to conserve healthy landscapes.

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## Native guardians: Canada's First Nations move to protect their lands

*By Ed Struzik, YaleEnvironment360 November 3, 2022* 

First Nations and Inuit people in northern Canada are protecting land on a scale that is "far exceeding even the imaginations of conservationists." Their work combats climate impacts and encroaching development.

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The State of Sonora is the second Latin American region to adopt Derecho Real de Conservación

By Hernán Mladinic and Lily Robinson

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In the Mexican State of Sonora, legislative amendments that promote private land protection and biodiversity health passed Congress in a unanimous vote.

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# *From the Ground Up* now available in Chinese

By Shenmin Liu, ILCN Regional Rep. for Asia November 1, 2022

*From the Ground Up* is a collection of case studies illustrating innovative solutions conservationists are developing to combat climate change across the globe. The report, originally published in English, is now available in Chinese.

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Australia to allocate 30% landmass for protection of endangered species By Rebecca Falconer, Axios October 4, 2022 Land conservation is at the heart of Australia's "zero extinctions" drive, which prioritizes rehabilitating the population and habitat of 110 threatened species.

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## Stories from the US Land Trust Alliance Rally

By Anne-Sophie Mullier, Carolina Halevy, and Tilmann Disselhoff September 30, 2022

Three conservationists from Europe share what they learned at this year's LTA Rally in a series of articles published by the European Networks for Private Land Conservation.

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# ILCN at the United Nations Biodiversity Conference of Parties (COP15)

By Kiragu Mwangi and Chandni Navalkha November 15, 2022 Leaders from across the globe will convene in Montreal this December to discuss key issues related to land conservation and resources for battling climate change.

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# <u>Opportunities</u>

# **Call for Creative Content**

The ILCN is looking for submissions of artistic work with a connection to land and land protection to feature on our website and in upcoming newsletters. We are open to poetry, short stories, personal essays, visual art, music, and more. Submissions can be sent to Lily Robinson at lerobinson@umass.edu. Please include a short description of the relationship your piece shares with land, nature, or the environment.

## Apply for the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy China Program International Fellowship

The 2023-24 fellowship welcomes proposals for academic research addressing land, urban, fiscal, and environmental issues related to urbanization in China. Scholars must hold a Ph.D. and be located outside of mainland China.

### Apply by Nov. 27

### New resources from the ILCN's website

Visit our newly-launched <u>"Land Trusts & Climate Change"</u> page under the *Resources* tab on the ILCN website to view our full collection of case studies showcasing exemplary organizations and initiatives from around the world.

Also under the *Resources* tab, you can find our freshly-curated <u>"Country Profiles"</u> page and learn about the most pressing issues, recent innovations, and ambitious visions of 30 nations working toward a more sustainable future.



We are excited to share stories from ILCN members. If you have a successful conservation initiative, story, event, or webinar to share, then please contact us at ILCN@lincolninst.edu.



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