



# UNITED NATIONS DECADE ON ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

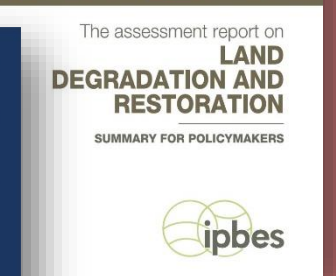
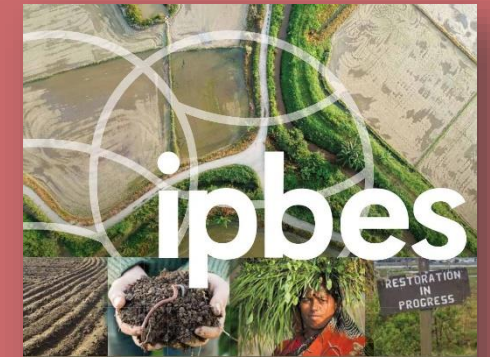
Science – Movement – Action

# SCIENTIFIC BACKGROUND



## The Science Basis:

- **10 years** to avoid catastrophic climate change and biodiversity loss (IPCC, IPBES)
- **75% of Earth's lands, 66% of oceans impacted by human activity** (IPBES)
- **40%** of world population suffering effects of soil degradation (IPBES)
- **1.5°C goal** no longer attainable without boosting carbon sinks (IPCC)



# POLICY BACKGROUND



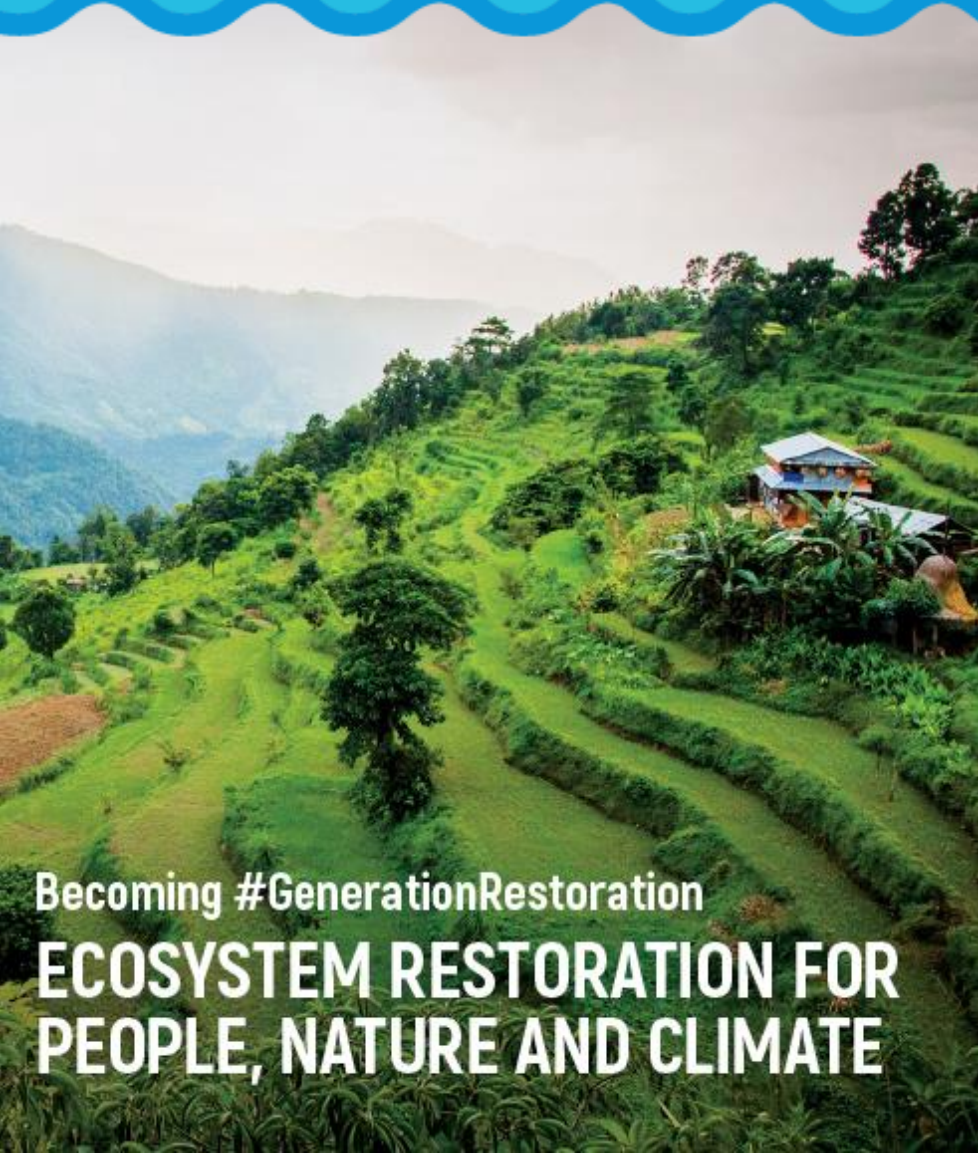
UN General Assembly resolution A/RES/73/284 (1 March 2019):

**"To prevent, halt and reverse the degradation of ecosystems worldwide"**

UNEP and FAO invited to:

"Lead the implementation of the Decade, in collaboration with the secretariats of the Rio conventions, other relevant multilateral environmental agreements and entities of the United Nations system [...]"

# 2021: LAUNCHING #GENERATIONRESTORATION



Becoming #GenerationRestoration

**ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION FOR  
PEOPLE, NATURE AND CLIMATE**

## Vision:

A world where – **for the health & wellbeing of all life on Earth & that of future generations** – the relationship between humans and nature has been restored, where the area of healthy ecosystems is increasing and where ecosystem loss, fragmentation, and degradation have been ended.

## Mission: 10 years to restore the planet.

Build more political will for restoration through 'New Power'  
Focus on enhancing and supporting existing restoration commitments and implementation of **Rio Conventions** and the **Sustainable Development Goals**.

# PATHWAYS



## A GLOBAL MOVEMENT

Digital hub  
Awareness  
Education  
Ethics  
Economics  
Financing mechanisms

## POLITICAL WILL

Leaders as champions  
Legislation and policy  
Cross-sectoral dialogues  
Redirect subsidies

## TECHNICAL CAPACITY

Design, implement, monitor  
& sustain  
Long-term research  
Lessons learned  
Indigenous knowledge  
Land tenure and FPIC

## Building on existing efforts and experiences:

Upscaling and replicating existing restoration projects in oceans, forests, grasslands, estuaries, mangroves, wetlands and savannas

## Enhancing technical capacity:

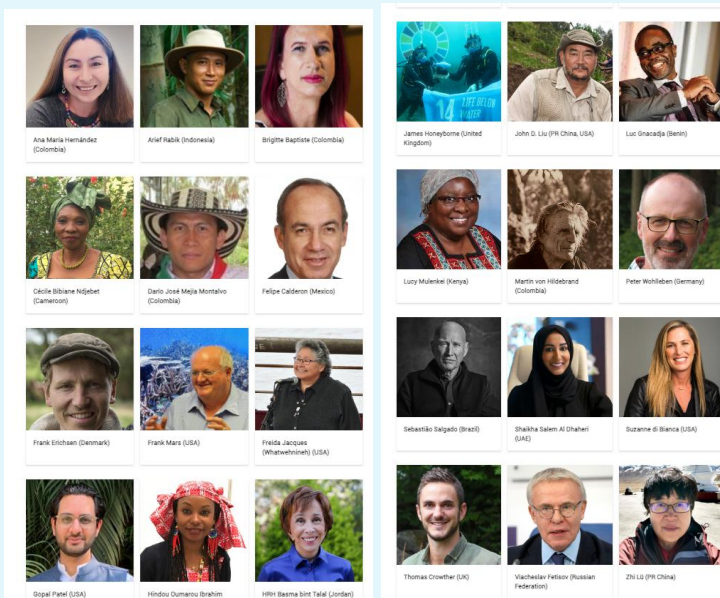
The UN Decade aims to share best practices and lessons learned



# UN DECADE STRUCTURE



## ADVISORY BOARD:



## PARTNERS NETWORK:

A growing partner network with over 200 organizations now:



## FIVE TASK FORCES:

A collaborative effort on knowledge capitalization and dissemination, including the identification of new products:

**Best practices**  
**Finance**  
**Monitoring**  
**Science**  
**Youth**

# ADVOCACY. COMMUNICATION. AWARENESS



## A networked approach that:

- Connect global partners to local implementers
- Reaching hundreds of millions
- Strengthen ownership

## Messaging:

Positive and inclusive antidote to climate anxiety while inspiring a new [#GenerationRestoration](#)

**Innovation:** an interactive digital home





# FROM COMMITMENTS TO ACTION



## OFFICIAL WORLD RESTORATION FLAGSHIPS

The first, best, or most promising examples of large-scale and long-term ecosystem restoration in any country or region, embodying the 10 Restoration Principles of the UN Decade.

### General updates:

- **Commitment** by all countries to restore: **1 billion hectares**.
- Nominations indicated **96 million hectares achieved** restoration and **260 million planned**.
- The **10 best efforts** selected **represent 68 million hectares**
- This approach makes the link between commitments and action and outlines the rationale and incentive for member states



# FIRST 10 WORLD RESTORATION FLAGSHIPS ANNOUNCEMENT

## Virtual Announcement Gala: 13 December 16:00 (EAT)

Streamed live on YouTube ([decadeonrestoration.org](https://decadeonrestoration.org)). Global media campaign

1. Altyn Dala Conservation Initiative, [Kazakhstan](#)
2. Building with Nature in [Indonesia](#)
3. Central America dry corridor Agro-Forestry Restoration: [Costa Rica](#), [El Salvador](#), [Guatemala](#), [Honduras](#), [Nicaragua](#) and [Panama](#)
4. Great Green Wall for Restoration & Peace: [Burkina Faso](#) and [Niger](#)
5. Multi-country flagship on ecosystem restoration in mountain regions: [Kyrgyzstan](#), [Uganda](#), [Serbia](#), and [Rwanda](#).
6. Namami Gange, [India](#)
7. Restoration of Coastal and Marine Ecosystems of [Abu Dhabi \(UAE\)](#)
8. Shan-Shui Initiative in [P.R. China](#)
9. Small Island Developing States Ecosystem Restoration Flagship: [Comoros](#), [Saint Lucia](#), and [Vanuatu](#)
10. Trinational Atlantic Forest Pact: [Argentina](#), [Brazil](#), and [Paraguay](#)



Embargoed until  
13 December  
15:00 GMT



# UN DECADE ACTION PLAN



- Global plan to move from **Strategy to Action**
- Tool for all partners to collaborate and lead on thematic contributions of the UN Decade to global goals and the **SDGs**
- Formalizing **thematic leadership by partners**
- Challenges will be highlighted in **Secretary-General Reports** on the UN Decade
- Three kickstarting launches on **Faith, Indigenous Peoples, and Finance** at GLF Climate in November 2022

## 12 RESTORATION CHALLENGES

Biodiversity; Business; Climate; Cities; Communities; Education; Finance; Food; Human- Nature Relationships; Marine & Freshwater; Protection; Youth

# A MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND (MPTF)




**MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND FOR THE UN DECADE ON ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION 2021-2030**

On March 1st, 2019, the United Nations General Assembly declared 2021-2030 the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration, with the aim to prevent, halt and reverse the degradation of ecosystems worldwide. The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations were given the responsibility to lead the implementation of the Decade in close coordination with their partners.

The full strategy is now available on the UN Decade's website [www.decadeonrestoration.org](http://www.decadeonrestoration.org). The UN Decade was formally launched in 2021, with the aim of sparking a global movement for ecosystem restoration.

The Multi-Partner Trust Fund for the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030 is the financial engine behind the implementation of the strategy for this UN Decade. The primary aims of the Fund are to combat declining biodiversity, support livelihoods and green jobs, enhance natural resource bases, and help societies adapt to and mitigate climate change through restoration of terrestrial, freshwater and marine ecosystems globally. In so doing, the Fund will be an important mechanism for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and the objectives of the Rio Conventions.



MPTF is up and operational, currently being supported by Germany, other donors are coming on board as well.

Outcome 1: Global movement on ecosystem restoration.

Outcome 2: Increased capacity and capability

Outcome 3: Monitoring and reporting of biophysical and socio-economic elements

# RESTORATION ENTERPRISES



## THE RESTORATION FACTORY:

Restoration Initiative (TRI)/ Restoration Factory: innovative mentoring and business incubation support program, launched in Kenya. It assists entrepreneurs and businesses in developing enticing and attractive business models that are focused on restoration of landscapes and ecosystems.

### The program provides access to quality mentorship:

- Access to an online incubation workspace
- 8 interactive business building tools
- Personalized 121 mentoring
- Group coaching from the incubation
- Expert sessions from value chain experts

# WHAT IS NEXT?



- Empowering a new generation: call for Young Champions of the Earth
- Action Plan: 12 Challenges
- Growth of the partner network
- MPTF: strategy
- World Restoration Flagships – New call (TBC)
- Launch of Digital Hub
- Framework for Ecosystem Restoration Monitoring



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