
IMPACT STATEMENT **2016-17**





OUR MISSION

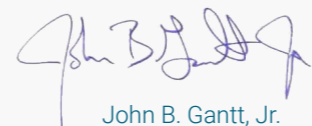
The mission of The ICCF Group is to advance conservation governance by building political support and providing on-the-ground solutions.

OUR IMPACT

The ICCF Group is working at the highest levels of governments and in national parks and protected areas in developing countries around the globe, filling a niche in the conservation arena: building political will and driving policy that is good for people, the economy, and the environment.

The ICCF Group brings together a strong collaboration of technical experts and private-sector leaders to provide policymakers with the tools they need to create policies that promote economic growth and conserve vital natural resources for future generations.

More and more governments are recognizing the success of, and benefiting from, our parliamentary caucus model, first pioneered in the U.S. Congress and now being replicated in parliaments in Africa, Latin America, and Asia. Through these caucuses and our International Conservation Corps program - which provides technical assistance to national parks and protected areas around the world - we are driving strong results on a range of issues including combating wildlife trafficking, building the institutional capacity of national parks systems, and ensuring the sustainability of ocean resources.



John B. Gantt, Jr.
President, ICCF U.S.



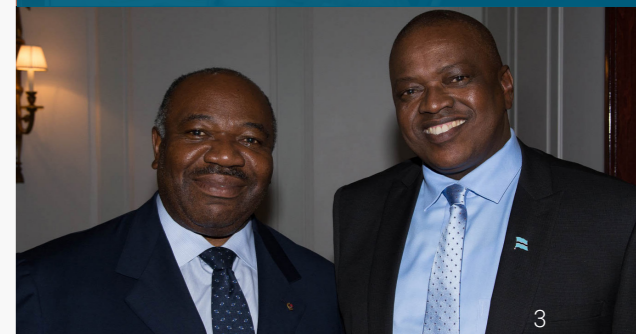
Costa Rican President Luis Guillermo Solis speaks with Congressman Joe Wilson (R-SC) at an ICCF Member Dinner.



President of Mozambique Filipe Nyusi poses for a photo with Senators Jeff Flake (R-AK) and Chris Coons (D-DE) at an ICCF Member Dinner.



Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos speaks to members of the International Conservation Caucus during an ICCF luncheon in the U.S. Capitol.



Gabonese President Ali Bongo Ondimba and Botswanan Vice President Mokgweetsi Masisi at an ICCF reception in New York City.

BUILDING POLITICAL WILL

Supporting the formation and development of multiparty legislative conservation caucuses.

CONSERVATION LEADERSHIP

“ Many of the biggest threats of the coming years will come from regions with resource insecurity, and the education ICCF brings policymakers is critical to our understanding of the underlying nature of these threats.”

-- **Senator Tom Udall (D-NM)**
Co-Chair, U.S. Senate International Conservation Caucus

“ The caucus model has helped to build a useful platform of interaction between policymakers and a wide range of stakeholders. As part of the caucus endeavor, important legislation was passed in a bipartisan consensus . . . for the good of conservation of wildlife.”

-- **Hon. Francisco Mucanheia, MP**
Co-Chair of the Mozambique Parliamentary Forum on Conservation



Mexican Senator Ninfa Salinas speaks at a stakeholder forum in Mexico City on the contribution of forest ecosystems to sustainable development.

The ICCF Group views the lack of good governance as the limiting factor when it comes to creating positive, sustainable solutions to natural resource management issues.

To effectively address this limitation, The ICCF Group works to build political will through the establishment and development of legislative caucuses centered around issues of conservation governance. These caucuses, informal groups of members of a particular legislative body, organized around a shared policy interest or concern, allow for a non-partisan dialogue aimed at finding real solutions. The ICCF Group has supported this dialogue by establishing an informal secretariat for each respective caucus and convening a cross-sectoral stakeholder network to provide caucus members with relevant expertise.



THE CAUCUS MODEL

Educating global policymakers.

ICCF GROUP-SUPPORTED CAUCUSES AROUND THE GLOBE SINCE 2004



With the success of the U.S. Congressional International Conservation Caucus and the effectiveness of ICCF in its role supporting the caucus, ICCF leadership established The ICCF Group to replicate the caucus model around the globe. The ICCF Group has since supported the establishment of 16 active and engaged, multiparty caucuses in legislatures across Africa, Asia, and Latin America to address national and regional conservation challenges.

PROVIDING ON-THE-GROUND SOLUTIONS

The International Conservation Corps: harnessing America's experience to assist developing nations.

Most nations have created systems of national parks and protected areas to protect their most valuable natural resources. Yet, many countries lack the human and institutional capacity to adequately manage them. The ICCF Group's International Conservation Corps program was formed and is operated by retired senior executives from U.S. and Canadian land management agencies to provide technical assistance, based upon decades of real experience. These professionals work to complete demanding projects in countries in Latin America, Asia, Africa, and the Caribbean and have contributed over \$3 million in volunteer services to date.



AFRICA

⇒ **Kenya:** Working with Maasai communities in the Naibunga Conservancy



LATIN AMERICA

⇒ **Colombia:** Building management capacity in Colombia's national parks system



CARIBBEAN

- ⇒ **Bahamas:** Strengthening capacity for management of forests and national parks
- ⇒ **Jamaica:** Developed business plans for five important national parks



ASIA

- ⇒ **Thailand:** Strengthening Thailand's premier park with the Amata Foundation
- ⇒ **China:** Supporting the Paulson Institute's work with China to establish a national park system

ONGOING PROJECTS

Working on four continents.



WASHINGTON, DC

The U.S. Congressional International Conservation Caucus - "the most popular caucus on Capitol Hill" - is made up of more than 1/3 of the U.S. Congress, including a nearly equal number of Republicans and Democrats.



LIMA, PERU

Having demonstrated successful work with the National Parks Service in Colombia (PNN), The ICCF Group has signed an MOU to work with SERNANP - the National Parks Service in Peru - and identified key areas for collaboration in which the ICCF program can support Peru through expert technical assistance.



LILONGWE, MALAWI

Leaders of the Malawi Parliamentary Conservation Caucus played a vital role in passing amendments to stiffen criminal penalties for wildlife poachers. In 2017, a Malawi court sentenced one rhino poacher to 18 years, the most severe thus far under the new law.

MAP KEY



Office



Caucus



International Conservation Corps Project



WHERE WE WORK

A growing global network.



(Left to right) Professor Nick Ogue, University of Nairobi; David Barron, Chairman of The ICCF Group; and Marcus Asner, a partner at Arnold & Porter, LLP speak at the East Africa Regional Judiciary Workshop in Nairobi, Kenya.

COMBATING WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING

Putting an end to the African poaching crisis.

The illegal slaughter and trade in African wildlife is creating instability, threatening national security, and undermining the foundations of economic development.

The ICCF Group is building political will to improve governance on wildlife by catalyzing dialogue between U.S. and international policymakers and facilitating the work of parliamentary caucuses in 10 countries across Africa to toughen policies and coordinate across borders.

The ICCF Group is also working with judicial and prosecutions authorities across Africa to promote legal reform and improved law enforcement. The ICCF Group has partnered to produce guidance for authorities on prosecution standards, mutual legal assistance, identification evidence, and criminal sentencing, as well as guidance for policymakers on statutory language for wildlife crime offenses.

STRENGTHENING CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS



IMPACTING LEGISLATIVE OUTCOMES

UNITED STATES

- ⇒ The END Wildlife Trafficking Act, 2016

AFRICA

- ⇒ National Parks and Wildlife (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Malawi)
- ⇒ Conservation Law Amendments, 2016 (Mozambique)
- ⇒ Nature Conservation Amendment Act, 2017 (Namibia)

LATIN AMERICA

- ⇒ Legislative Declaration on Strengthening CITES Compliance and Promoting Sustainable Species Trade in NAFTA Modernization

WORKING WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES

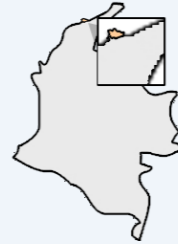
The International Conservation Corps is working to support Kenya's Naibunga Conservancy, where Masai communities have put aside 40 percent of their land that is home to many significant threatened wildlife species and is a key migration route for elephants.



BUILDING NATIONAL PARKS CAPACITY

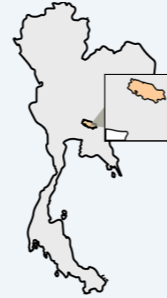
Harnessing tourism potential.

TAYRONA COLOMBIA



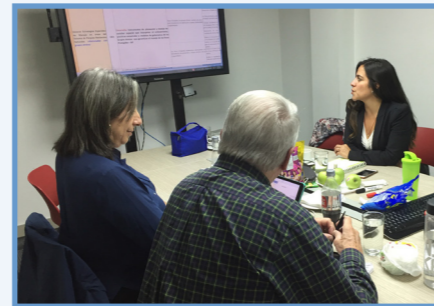
Tayrona National Park is visited by almost 1 million people every year. The ICCF Group is working with park managers to develop a visitor center and other communications vehicles for visitors while training staff from four parks and national headquarters.

KHAO YAI THAILAND



Khao Yai is Thailand's oldest and 3rd largest national park. It is also one of the country's most visited parks. In Khao Yai, The ICCF Group brought in U.S. park experts to help improve the operations of the park and subsequently position the park as a regional learning platform to assist national parks in the region.

PNN COLOMBIA



At a national level in Colombia, The ICCF Group is working with *Parques Nacionales Naturales* (PNN) - Colombia's national parks agency - to improve their ability to manage tourism in Colombia's national parks, including work to reformulate the country's institutional planning system. Quickly developing the capacity to manage tourism is critical so that parks continue to conserve essential resources and to provide economic opportunities to rural communities.



NATIONAL PARKS & CONSERVATION

National parks and other forms of protected areas are the fundamental mechanism for conservation globally, yet most countries lack the funding and capacity necessary to effectively manage these areas. The ICCF Group uses the expertise of U.S. & Canadian national park professionals to help address this problem in many developing nations.

CONSERVING OUR OCEANS

Ensuring global growth & security

The health of our oceans is essential for human survival. Ocean resources are the foundation for economic activity, increased quality of life, and national security. The ICCF Group's Oceans Caucus Foundation (OCF) educates U.S. and international policymakers about important challenges facing our oceans like illegal fishing and marine debris, which threaten global economic development and security.



ILLEGAL FISHING

Passage into law of H.R. 774, The Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Enforcement Act of 2015



MARINE PROTECTED AREAS

The International Conservation Corps team and Haiti's *Fondation pour la Protection de la Biodiversité Marine* developed a 10-year plan for the management of Haiti's largest Marine Protected Area.



MARINE DEBRIS

Unanimous passage in the Senate of the Save Our Seas (SOS) Act, authored by Oceans Caucus Co-Chairs

IN FOCUS

UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUES

Illegal fishing is driving territorial disputes, armed conflict, and food and economic insecurity and is linked to other illegal activity such as narcotics, arms, and human trafficking, as well as slave labor.

MARINE DEBRIS: WHAT THEY'RE SAYING



“Plastic garbage and other junk crowding our oceans and shores is more than an eyesore. It's a threat to vital ocean and coastal ecosystems and our economy.”

-- Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)
Founding Co-Chair, U.S. Senate Oceans Caucus



“The global marine debris problem threatens treasured natural areas, endangers iconic wildlife species, and litters shorelines around the world.”

-- Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK)
Honorary Co-Chair, U.S. Senate Oceans Caucus

NOTABLE
PAST
AWARDS

2015

His Royal Highness, The Prince of Wales

Teddy Roosevelt® Award



2012

H.E. Felipe Calderon, President of Mexico

Teddy Roosevelt® Award



2009

His Serene Highness, The Prince of Monaco

Teddy Roosevelt® Award



ICCF GALA 2017

THE 2017 U.S. CONGRESSIONAL INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION INAUGURATION GALA.

Each year, guests at the U.S. Congressional International Conservation Gala, including Members of Congress, foreign dignitaries, and leaders from business and the international NGO community, gather to celebrate leadership in international conservation. In 2017, ICCF recognized several individuals who have demonstrated an extraordinary personal commitment to conservation: Mateus Mutemba and Greg Carr of the Gorongosa Restoration Project and Julia Miranda Londoño, Director General of National Parks of Colombia.



CONSERVATION AWARDS

"Good Steward" Award
Dra. Julia Miranda Londoño,
National Parks of Colombia

"Good Steward" Award
Greg Carr & Mateus Mutemba,
Gorongosa National Park



HONORARY CO-CHAIRS

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Theodore "Ted" Roosevelt, IV

Gala Co-Chairs
Bo Derek
Luciana & Robert Duvall
Ian Somerhalder

Masters of Ceremonies
Hon. Connie Mack
Hon. John Tanner



Greg Carr (2nd from left), President of the Gorongosa Restoration Project, and Mateus Mutemba (5th from left), Warden of Mozambique's Gorongosa National Park, accept the 2017 "Good Steward" Award.

The year's most important gathering of conservationists, policymakers, and global business leaders to celebrate leadership in international conservation.

WHAT THEY SAY



“ It is rare to see such a balanced group of leaders from government, private sector, NGO and multi- and bi-lateral agencies. . . . Indeed, I think it is only when I have joined events organized by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales that I have seen comparable balance in the room. That is why I like working both with Prince Charles’ ISU and the ICCF.”

-- **H.E. Ali Bongo Ondimba**
President of the Gabonese Republic



“ Thanks to the ICCF, we now have worldwide these caucuses that are active, whether we’re in Peru or Colombia or Mexico or whether we’re in Sub-Saharan Africa, you have these vibrant caucuses now that are engaged, that care, and yes, it is important that our Parliamentarians or Members of Congress are exchanging information and encouragement.”

-- **Representative Ed Royce (R-CA)**
Founding Co-Chair, House International Conservation Caucus



“ The [ICCF is] an organization which I so much admire for its leadership in promoting and inspiring, among governments and the private sector, the development of important conservation policies and actions by raising awareness about the critical need to preserve nature in the United States and around the world.”

-- **Dra. Julia Miranda Londoño**
Director, Parques Nacionales Naturales de Colombia

WORKING WITH PUBLIC & PRIVATE SECTORS

Conservation Council of Business, Multilateral & NGO Partners.

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| 3M Company | Feld Entertainment | Rare Species Fund |
| Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy | Frankfurt Zoological Society | Reforestamos México |
| African Network for Animal Welfare | Friends of Conservation | SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment |
| African Parks | Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves | Shire |
| African Wildlife Foundation | Global Environment Facility | Strategic Link Partners, LLC |
| Alliance One International | Gorongosa National Park | Summit Foundation |
| Alyeska Pipeline | International Paper | Tudor Investment Corporation |
| Amata Foundation | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | U.N. Development Programme |
| American Forest & Paper Assn. | The Nature Conservancy | U.N. Environment |
| Anadarko Petroleum Corporation | Leopard Tours | Unilever |
| AngloGold Ashanti | Lilongwe Wildlife Trust | USAID |
| BakerHostetler | Mars, Inc. | U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service |
| Base Titanium | Microsoft | Valar Frontier Solutions |
| Bumble Bee Foods | Pacific Gas and Electric Company | Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. |
| Cheetah Conservation Fund | Panthera | Vulcan, Inc. |
| Cincinnati Zoo | Pelagic Data Systems | Walton Family Foundation |
| The Coca-Cola Company | Pike Electric | WILD Foundation |
| Code Blue Foundation | Qualcomm | Wilderness Foundation |
| Corporate Council on Africa | Quicken Loans | Wildlife Conservation Society |
| Discovery Communications | Rainforest Alliance | World Bank Group |
| ExxonMobil Corporation | Rare | |



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