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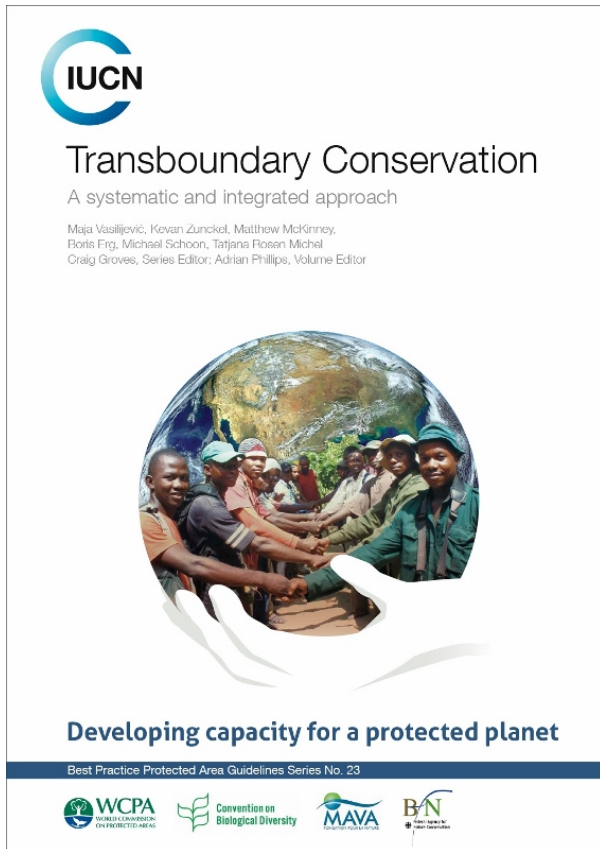
An International Workshop on Transboundary Conservation

Transboundary Conservation: A Systematic and Integrated Approach

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Implementing the agenda of HAB workshop



Unpack



- ✓ TBCA typology and definitions
- ✓ Stages of TBC process
- ✓ Co-management in TBC
- ✓ Transboundary governance
- ✓ Sustainable financing of TBC



Build & share knowledge
Learn from each other

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Transboundary Conservation Specialist Group



Founded in 1997

The largest global network of TBC specialists

260+ voluntary members

PA staff, GO, NGOs, international organisations, academia, private foundations



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TBC SG objectives

Support CBD Parties in delivering the goals and targets of the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas

Support transboundary conservation initiatives through improved knowledge management, networking and capacity building



Global Transboundary Conservation Learning Network

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IUCN WCPA WORLD COMMISSION ON PROTECTED AREAS

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What is transboundary conservation network?

NEWS [Newsletter archive](#)

Transboundary Conservation
A systematic and integrated approach
The first of its kind, this approach
is designed to help countries
manage transboundary protected areas
effectively.

New IUCN WCPA Best Practice Protected Area Guidelines on transboundary conservation now available online. Read the news [here](#) and download the Guidelines [here](#).

FEATURING VIDEOS

Transcending Boundaries
Perspectives from the Global South
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Transcending Boundaries:
Perspectives from

IUCN International Union for Conservation of Nature
WCPA WORLD COMMISSION ON PROTECTED AREAS World Commission on Protected Areas
protectedplanet.net

The **Global Transboundary Conservation Network** brings together more than 200 experts in transboundary conservation. The network was launched at the Vth IUCN World Parks Congress and is facilitated by Transboundary Conservation Specialist Group of [IUCN WCPA](#) (World Commission on Protected Areas). [IUCN](#) (International Union for Conservation of Nature) is the world's oldest and largest global environmental network with a membership of more than 1,000 organisations and 10,000 volunteer experts organised through six [Commissions](#). The Global Transboundary Conservation Network offers expertise and guidance on all aspects of transboundary conservation planning, management and

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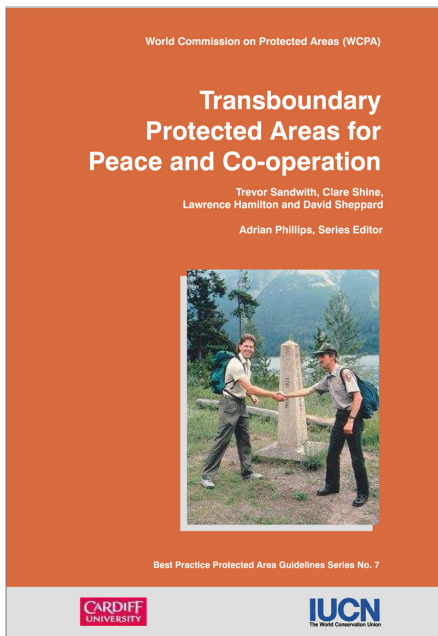
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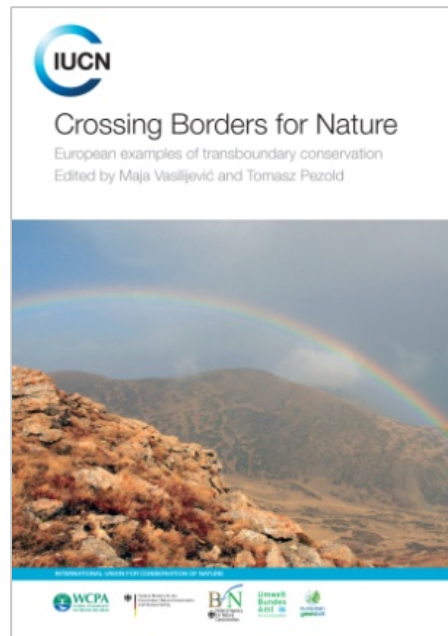
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IUCN Guidelines

2001



2011



2012



2015



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Diagnostic tool for TBC planners

Assesses:

- ✓ the **need** for TBC
- ✓ **readiness** of stakeholders to initiate TBC
- ✓ **opportunities** that could speed up the process and/or be generated by TBC
- ✓ **risks** that could slow the process

'S' QUESTIONS: Stakeholders
OPPORTUNITY ('S3')
Instructions and results
List the 'S3' questions evaluated with 5 points: _____
'Opportunity' statements
There are a number of opportunities, namely: _____ (list the 'S3' question areas evaluated with 5 points)
RISK ('S4')
Instructions and results
List the 'S4' questions evaluated with 1 point: _____
'Risk' statements
There are a number of risks, namely: _____ (list the 'S4' question areas evaluated with 1 point)

Advisory role and events

Provide advice on TBC establishment, management and process

Develop statements of global and regional importance

Convene workshops and various events – capacity development

Establish partnerships



Evaluate transboundary World Heritage nominations

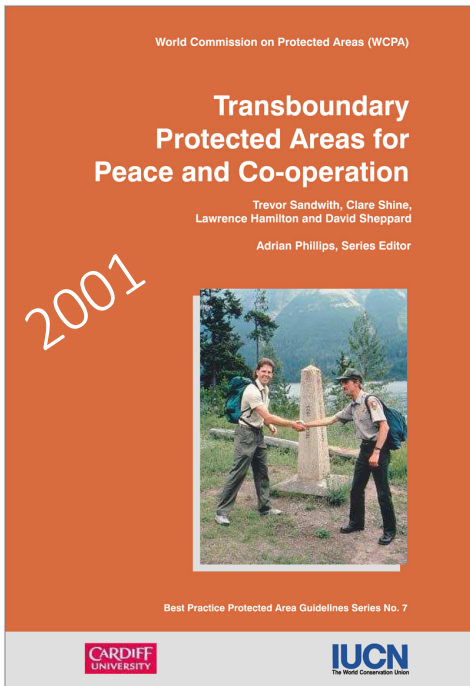


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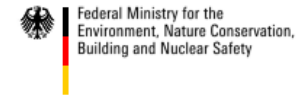
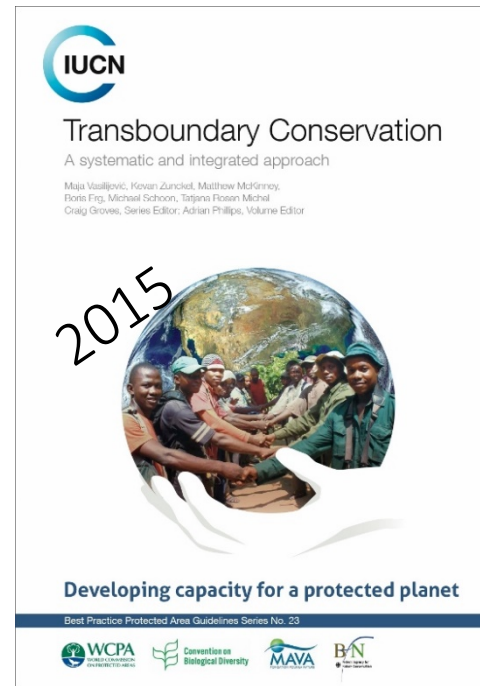
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IUCN WCPA's Best Practice Guidelines on transboundary conservation



Revised,
updated,
extended



Development of key concepts for the Guidelines

*An International workshop on defining transboundary conservation principles
16-18 October 2013, Thayatal NP, Austria*



Gathered 24 experts from 16 countries, including protected area staff, government officials, NGO representatives, academia and donors

Partnership with the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development



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Launch of the IUCN WCPA's Guidelines



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Pre-launch at IUCN World Parks Congress, Sydney, 2014 – concept endorsed

Published in May 2015

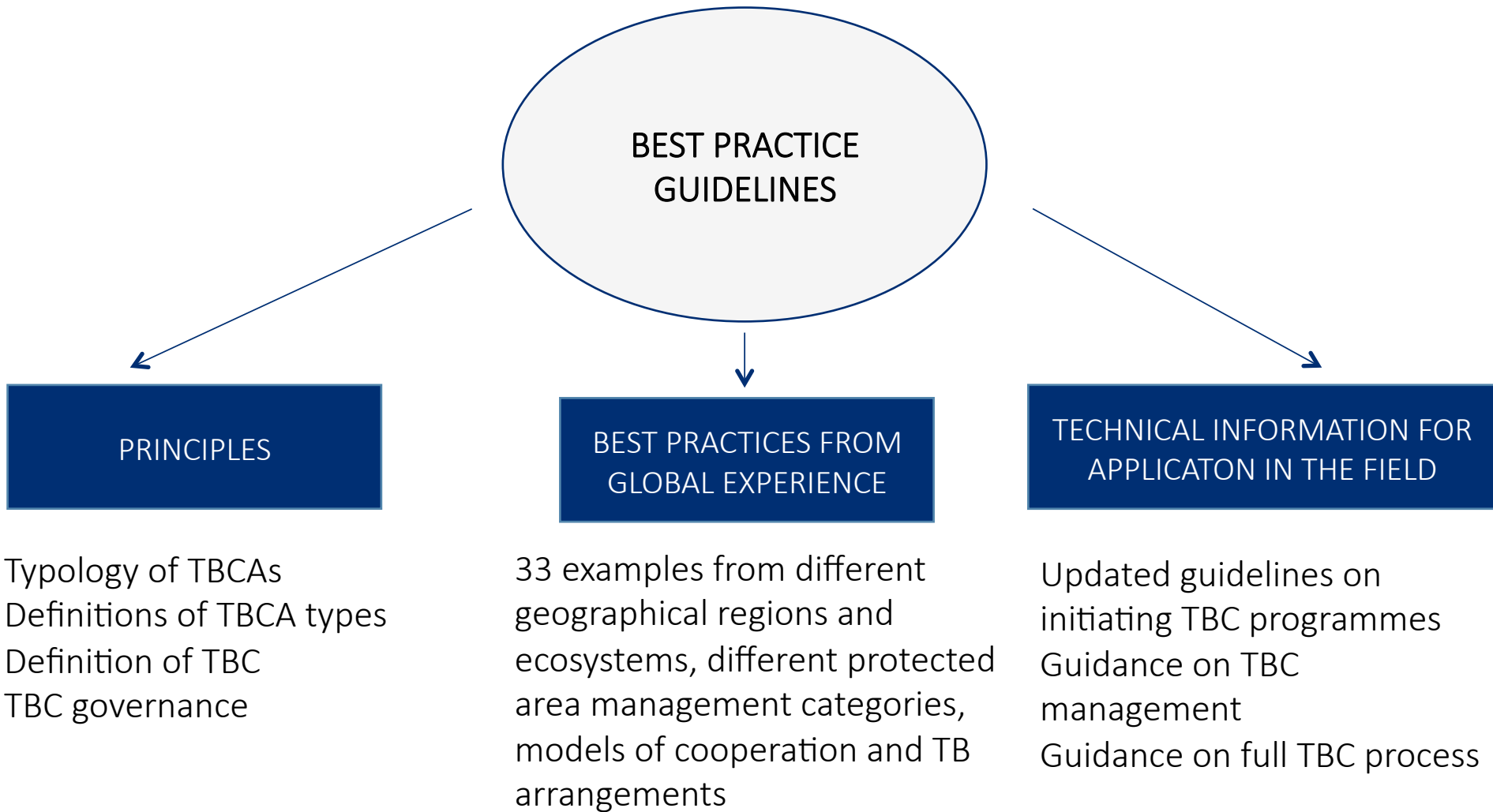
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Key elements of the Guidelines



Transboundary Conservation: a systematic and integrated approach

PART 1.

Understanding transboundary conservation: history and key concepts

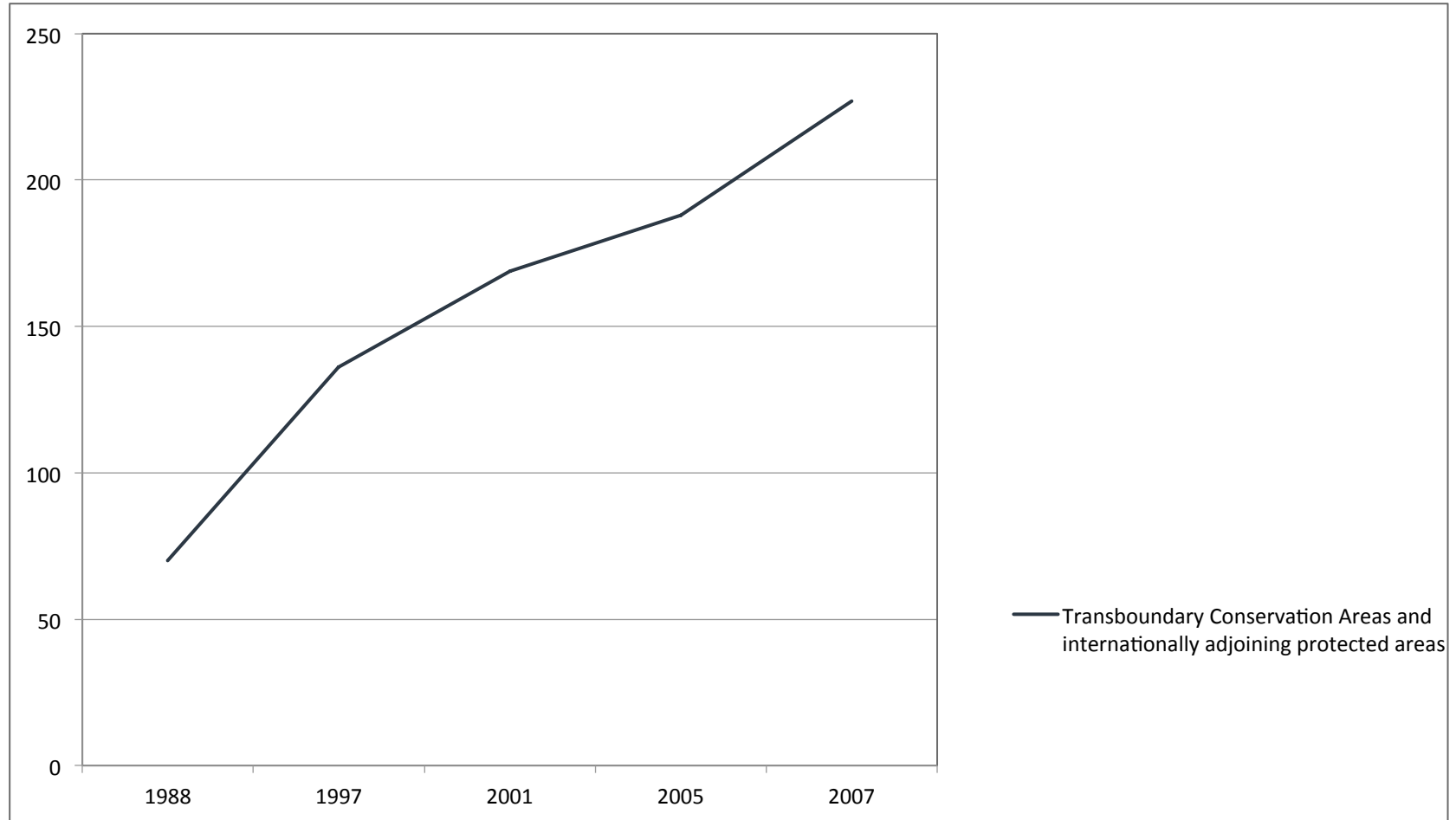
- Global trends
- Defining TBC
- Typology and defining types of TBCAs
- Models of cooperation
- Benefits of transboundary conservation
- Transboundary conservation governance



Assessing the global trends

Author	Scope	Results
Thorsell and Harrison (1990)	Border parks	70
Zbicz and Green (1997)	Transfrontier protected area complexes	136 (comprising 488 protected areas)
Zbicz (2001)	Internationally adjoining protected areas	169 (comprising 666 protected areas)
Besançon and Savy (2005)	Internationally adjoining protected areas and other transboundary conservation initiatives	188 (comprising 818 protected areas)
Lysenko et al. (2007)	Transboundary protected areas	227 (comprising 3,043 protected areas)

Growth of Transboundary Conservation Areas



WCPA's typology of Transboundary Conservation Areas (TBCAs)

Type 1:

Transboundary Protected Area

Type 2:

Transboundary Conservation Landscape and/or Seascape

Type 3:

Transboundary Migration Conservation Area

Special designation:

Park for Peace



Note:

'Cooperation' used in the above definitions implies at minimum regular communication or information sharing, but often also involving prior consultation, coordinated action and joint implementation of decisions (Table 2 in the Guidelines).

Benefits: the value of transboundary conservation

Enhances **ecological functionality** & species survival

Enhances the potential of shared ecosystems to deliver a broad range of **ecosystem goods and services**

Enhances the **cultural** significance of nature by bringing divided cultures back together again

Enhances efficiency of **day-to-day management** of shared issues

Can create the momentum for **harmonisation of legal and policy frameworks**

Can provide a foundation from which good **political relations, stability and peace** are secured

Can improve **local economy**

Builds **trust** and good relationship



Transboundary conservation governance

A comprehensive overview of current transboundary governance models including formal and informal arrangements

Provide key characteristics that define good governance

Elaboration of trends in transboundary governance



Transboundary Conservation: a systematic and integrated approach

PART 2.

From principles to action

- Context and planning the TBC process
- The establishment and management of transboundary conservation initiatives
- Measuring results: the monitoring and evaluation of transboundary management effectiveness



Common stages of a transboundary conservation process

WCPA's Framework	CONTEXT AND PLANNING		INPUTS AND PROCESSES	OUTPUTS AND OUTCOMES
Stages	DIAGNOSE	DESIGN	TAKE ACTION	EVALUATE
Goals	Determine the need for transboundary conservation	Match the process to the situation	Secure resources and implement actions	Learn and adapt
Step 1	Identify if there is a compelling reason to act	Determine who should lead the effort	Assess the capacity to implement plans	Assess progress and outcomes
Step 2	Determine if there is a constituency for change	Mobilize and engage the right people	Develop an action plan	Determine if there is a need to continue
Step 3	Estimate the scope of the issue	Define the geographic extent	Secure financial sustainability	Adapt the management and action plans
Step 4	Estimate the capacity to work across boundaries	Negotiate a joint vision and develop management objectives	Implement the plans	Communicate progress

A call to action: future needs

1. Strengthen knowledge and information on TBCAs

1.1. Develop a global database of TBCAs, consulting the definitions of TBCA types from the 2015 WCPA Guidelines

Geographical distribution

Historical background

Partners involved

Models of cooperation and their effectiveness

Existence of agreements

TBC governance (formal and/or informal arrangements)

Overlays with other conservation strategies

Overlays with regions of past and current conflict

- To enhance
 - knowledge about transboundary conservation
 - networking & experience sharing
- To help connect TBCAs with other forms of large scale conservation areas
- To facilitate scientific research and comparative analyses
- To assist in tracking global trends in transboundary cooperation for conservation

A call to action: future needs

2. Provide technical guidance for successful implementation of TBC initiatives

2.1. Improve the Diagnostic tool for TBC planners (2012)

Translate to other global languages

Test in different regions and a variety of ecosystems

Develop new multilingual, interactive, e-edition

Make the tool available through a web portal

- To enable diagnostic analyses of feasibility for 'going transboundary'
- To make diagnosis stage more rapid, objective and efficient
- To evaluate global potential for transboundary conservation

2.2. Develop a methodology and tool for monitoring and evaluation of the effectiveness of TBC programmes

A call to action: future needs

3. Contribute to capacity development and networking of transboundary conservation specialists

3.1. Develop training modules for capacity development at all levels based on 2015 WCPA Guidelines

3.2. Convene international workshops to build capacity

3.3. Translate 2015 WCPA Guidelines to other global languages



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