

WHITLEY
AWARDS
20 YEARS



Over the past 20 years, WFN has given nearly £10 million to support the work of over 160 local conservationists working to conserve wildlife and benefit local communities in more than 70 different countries around the developing world.

“20 years ago, a determined Edward Whitley set out to find, fund and support a new generation of conservation pioneers. Today Whitley Award winners are at the heart of the conservation movement, working in partnerships, mentoring new leaders and delivering best practice, frugally and effectively. This legacy provides a starting block for the next 20 challenging years.”

Nigel Winsor

“The Whitley Awards have been celebrating and championing the natural world for 20 years, highlighting the tireless work of the dedicated few protecting the world’s priceless flora and fauna.”

Ben Fogle

“It is the VISIBILITY provided by the Whitley awards that enable us to do things. Since the Whitley Award I’ve gotten a number of recognitions that have built my visibility even further. The Whitley Award started it all!”

Patricia Majluf, Peru (2006)

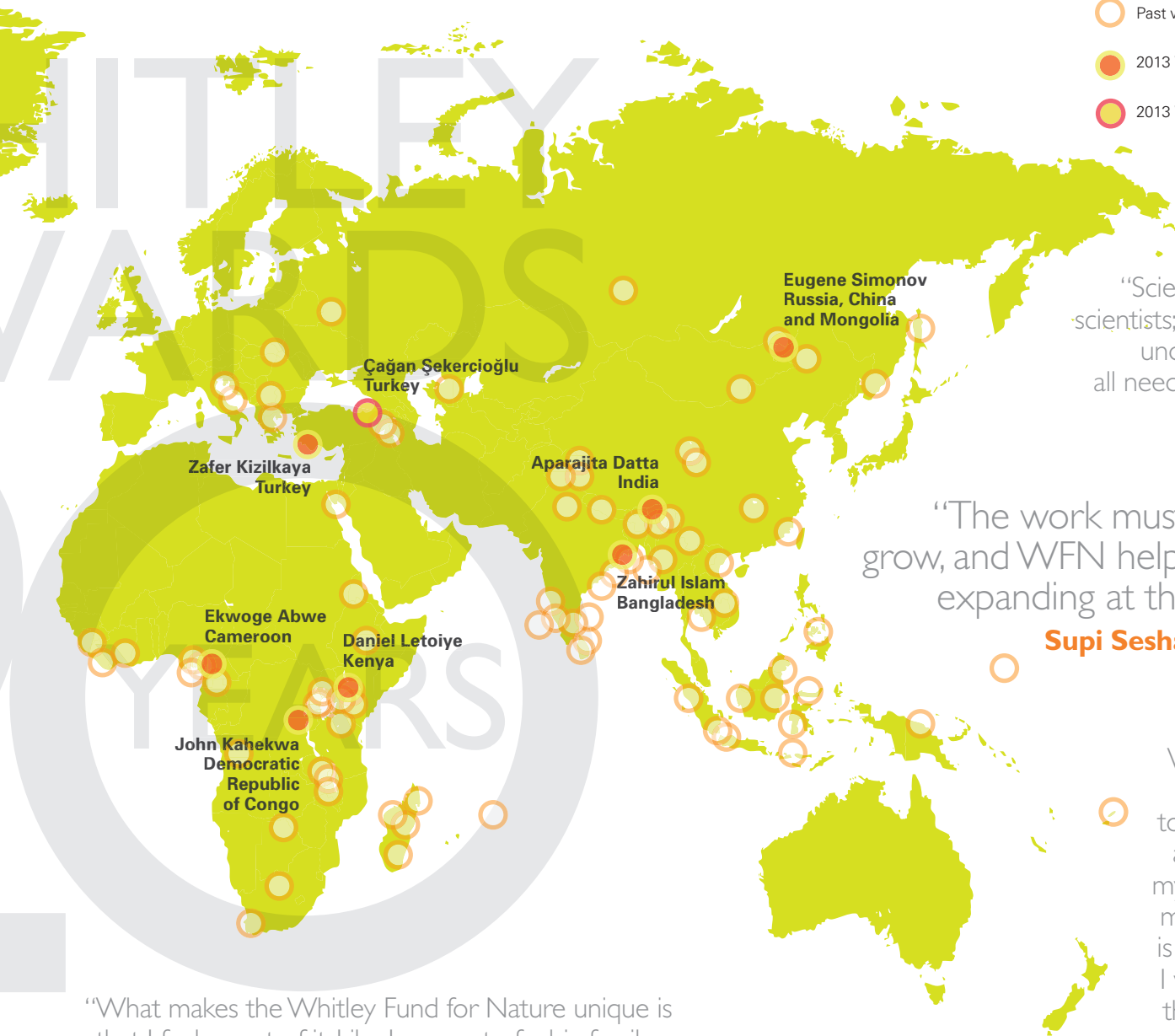
“My Whitley Award opened my eyes about the significance of our work beyond our region.”

**Gonzalo Merediz Alonso,
Mexico (2005)**

“Our world will be put to rights by the combined efforts of brilliant, dedicated and inspiring individuals. Each and every Whitley Award is special; the combined impact is astonishing.”

Jonathon Porritt





- Past winner's projects
- 2013 Whitley Award Finalists
- 2013 Whitley Gold Award winner

"Science is not just for scientists; I feel WFN really understands that we all need to get involved!"

Dino Martins, Kenya (2009)

"The work must continue to grow, and WFN helps us to grow, expanding at the right pace."

Supi Seshan, India (2006)

"The network of Whitley awardees that I have come to meet is inspiring and helps expand my perspectives on my own work. This is one of the things I value the most of the whole Whitley experience."

Rodrigo Medellin, Mexico (2004)

"What makes the Whitley Fund for Nature unique is that I feel a part of it. Like I am part of a big family. It is not like other funding organisations."

Charu Mishra, India (2005)

Welcome to the 20th Whitley Awards Ceremony

Dear Friends,

Just over twenty years ago, I finished a book about the protégés of the much-loved naturalist Gerald Durrell. During my research I met many unsung conservation heroes around the world, local people who were working to protect wildlife and wild places in the countries where they lived. It was not so much the global problems of rising world population or climate change which drove these people, it was simply that they valued the natural world around them and wanted to protect it for themselves and their communities.

These people were often remote from international aid, but I thought that they represented the future - where pragmatic and long lasting solutions are home grown rather than imported. I wanted to instigate a way to fund local heroes directly and to recognise their contribution. In 1994 I teamed up with the Royal Geographical

Society and gave the first Whitley Award, then £15,000. Our first winner applied because she had read my book! Over the years I have been delighted and humbled that so many people have joined forces with us to help the charity grow. 20 years later, with your help, we have given nearly £10m to support these amazing unsung heroes.

Tonight we welcome seven new winners who join our growing network and receive a Whitley Award of £35,000. For them, it is the end of a busy week in London, which started with an interview. They have received media training to help them to maximise the impact of any radio or TV interest they may be offered in response to press releases we have issued on their behalf both here and in their countries. They have had speech training to give them the confidence to articulate the importance of their work with the same passion with which they pursue it. We have held two further receptions specifically to help winners establish contacts with other UK charities and from

amongst our many supporters, which we hope will lead to other meaningful collaborations.

Our team at WFN has remained small but highly dedicated and hard-working. They reach out far and wide to manage our relationships with almost 1,000 friends, and friends of friends, who are kind enough to donate (many of you every year) and our winners. Our morale is high as we are inspired by the results achieved so far, and with your support we hope we can continue to fund their work.

On behalf of all our winners, on behalf of our charity, please accept our deepest thanks for your continuing support.

Edward Whitley

Edward Whitley
Founder, Whitley Awards



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Speakers



Our host
Kate Humble

Kate Humble is one of the UK's most loved wildlife presenters, best known for her work on programmes such as Springwatch and Lambing Live. She is vice president of the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, a Fellow of Zoological Society of London and former President of the RSPB. Kate is passionate about grassroots action and runs her farm in Monmouthshire as a rural skills teaching centre, connecting people back with farming in the countryside – the subject of her new book 'Humble by Nature: life lambs and a dog called Badger'.

With many thanks to:
Sir David Attenborough

Trustee and narrator,
20th Anniversary Film



Whitley Gold Award Winner
Prof. Çağan Şekercioğlu

Çağan is an ornithologist and conservation ecologist at University of Utah Department of Biology. Since his first Whitley Award in 2008, Çağan won Continuation Funding in 2010 and 2012 (see page 14). His positive impact for conservation in Turkey and beyond grows with each passing year, a fact reflected in Çağan being amongst the world's top 1% most cited scientists of this millennium. Çağan was recognised as a National Geographic Society Emerging Explorer (2011) and Risk Taker (2013), and has been elected to the Board of Governors of the Society for Conservation Biology (2012).

Hugh Bonneville
Narrator, 2013 Whitley Award
finalist films



Patron
HRH The Princess Royal

The Princess Royal has been the patron of the Whitley Fund for Nature since 1999. Known for her charitable work, and as the patron of 320 organisations, she carries out about 500 royal engagements and public appearances a year, and maintains a remarkable commitment to the causes she supports. During her 14 years as the patron of WFN, she has met over 100 of our Whitley Award winners, and has visited winners in Brazil, Croatia and Colombia to see their work first-hand.

Programme

8.00pm Kate Humble –
welcome to the Whitley
Awards 2013

Film
'20th Anniversary of
the Whitley Awards'
Narrated by
Sir David Attenborough

Edward Whitley, Founder

Finalist films and speeches

Presentation of Awards
by HRH The Princess Royal

Presentation of the
Whitley Gold Award to
Prof. Çağan Şekercioğlu

HRH The Princess Royal,
Patron

9.10pm Reception and supper

Application process

Following our call for proposals, 173 applications for the Whitley Award were received this year from 61 countries – a new record! A big thank you once again to our voluntary Application Screeners and Judging Panel members, who worked through four stages of assessment to reach our final shortlist.

Judging Panel

Chairman

Edward Whitley

Trustee, WFN

Ros Aveling

Deputy Chief Executive, Fauna and Flora International

Dr. Glyn Davies

Director of Programmes, WWF-UK

Georgina Domberger

Director, WFN

Catherine Faulks

Trustee, WFN

Dr. Simon Lyster

Trustee, World Land Trust

Prof. Çağan Şekercioğlu

Founder KuzeyDoğa, Turkey

Whitley Gold Award winner 2013

David Wallis

Deputy Director, WFN

Application Screeners

Dr. Luis Aguirre

Founder, Bolivian Bat

Conservation Program

Whitley Award winner 2007

Prof. E.J. Milner-Gulland

Prof. in Conservation Science, Imperial College London

Dr. Charudutt Mishra

Science & Conservation Director, International Snow Leopard Trust
Whitley Gold Award winner 2005

Danni Parks

Manager, WFN

David Wallis

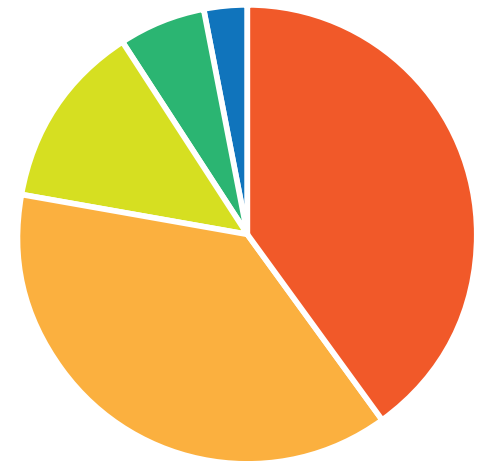
Deputy Director, WFN

Who is applying?

Applications for the Whitley Awards 2013

By Continent %

Africa	40
Asia	38
Americas	13
Europe	6
Oceania	3



Award Timetable



October November December January February March April May June July August September
2012 2013

John Kahekwa

Inspiring community action for gorilla conservation

Democratic Republic of Congo



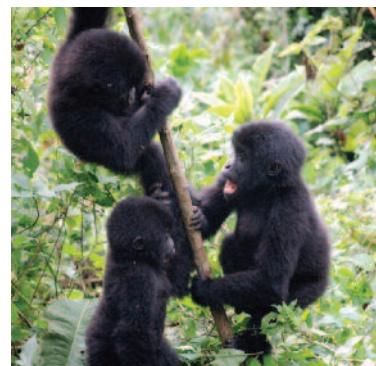
Conservation amidst conflict

Gorillas here share the land with millions of people suffering the ongoing tragic humanitarian crisis in the Congo. With one of the highest levels of biodiversity on the planet, the region has vast areas of unexplored wilderness. Very few scientists and conservation NGOs are able to operate here due to the armed conflict. Very little scientific information exists.



A love of gorillas

Gorilla conservation runs in John's blood. His uncle was founder of Kahuzi Biega National Park, one of the backdrops for the iconic 'Gorillas in the Mist' film, and where John is Chief Gorilla Habituation Officer. With 30 years of experience in the field, implementing successful community programmes, John's incredible dedication to protecting endangered Eastern lowland gorillas has led directly to their survival against the odds in wartorn DRC.



Regional protection

Founder and Managing Director of the Polé Polé Foundation since 1992, John is now applying his organisation's experience and expertise to replicate success, with the goal of protecting the entire home range of the Eastern lowland gorilla.

His ambitious project aims to:

- Understand the communities' needs and opinions about nature conservation.
- Implement conservation education programmes.
- Provide local communities with economic alternatives that will enable them to stop unsustainably exploiting their precious natural resources.

Why it matters:

- The number of Eastern lowland gorillas is thought to have declined by 80-90% in the last five years.
- Gorilla centred ecotourism could bring livelihood opportunities in a peaceful DRC, as seen in Uganda.
- The DRC is the poorest country in the world.

“Empty stomachs have no ears”

Zafer Kizilkaya

Turkey's first community managed marine protected area in Gökova Bay

Turkey



A passion for the ocean

Jacques Cousteau was a childhood hero and it was Zafer's own first scuba diving experiences that led him to pursue marine conservation. He is now President of the Mediterranean Conservation Society, an NGO aiming to conserve Turkey's coastal ecosystems.



Marine refuge

Gökova Bay is one of the most spectacular marine-scapes in the Aegean Sea. Designated as a Special Environmental Protected Area in 1988, many important protected species are found here including Critically Endangered Mediterranean monk seals and sandbar sharks.



Declining stocks

Over 200 small scale fishermen depend on the bay for their livelihoods, but the depletion of fishstocks in recent years has had a serious impact on the local economy. In 2010 the Turkish government declared six No Fishing Zones (NFZs) to protect fish breeding grounds and aid recovery. However, due to the zone's size, proper enforcement is difficult and illegal fishing is commonplace.

Zafer's project aims to:

- Improve enforcement in NFZs through a community-led marine guard programme.
- Raise awareness on the benefits of NFZs for recovery of fish stocks.
- Initiate participatory marine biodiversity monitoring in protected areas.
- Work with fishing communities to promote alternative sustainable livelihoods.

Why it matters:

- Less than 1.17% of the world oceans are protected.
- 73% of all Turkish fish species can be found in Gökova Bay.
- Subsidies for world fisheries reach \$35 billion annually resulting in unsustainable overfishing.

“My long-term vision is to replicate our community based NFZ concept across Turkey”

Aparajita Datta

Threatened hornbills as flagships for the Himalayan forests of Arunachal Pradesh

India



Inspired by Durrell

Inspired by the books of Gerald Durrell and her childhood in Africa, Aparajita has gone on to dedicate her adult life to the study and conservation of the diverse wildlife of North Eastern India. Since 2003, she has led the work of her NGO, Nature Conservation Foundation, in the region.



High altitude conservation

The montane forests of Arunachal Pradesh are the lungs of the Eastern Himalaya Biodiversity Hotspot. Aparajita's work focuses in and around three protected areas, their elevations ranging from just 150 metres above sea level up to nearly 4,500 metres. However, deforestation is removing precious habitat and hornbills are still hunted for their feathers and beaks, which are prized by local communities for traditional ceremonial use.



Local adoption

Focussing on hornbills as a flagship, Aparajita is seeking to improve their conservation status outside protected areas and secure valuable forest habitat by working in partnership with local people.

Her ambitious project aims to:

- Expand the Hornbill Nest Adoption Programme from 9 to 14 villages and give local people a sense of ownership.
- Set up a pilot forest restoration project.
- Establish The Hornbill Nyishi Festival to popularize the role played by local tribes in conserving hornbills across the region.

Why it matters:

- Hornbills are ecologically important as seed dispersers.
- The project's inclusive approach transforms former hunters into passionate guardians of nature.
- These forests are also home to tigers, elephants, and a vast diversity of insects, amphibians, reptiles and birds.

“The age of our nest protectors ranges from 20 to 70 plus”

Daniel Letoiye

Restoring grasslands for the coexistence of Grevy's zebra and free-ranging livestock

Kenya



Grasslands under pressure

The semi-arid grasslands of Northern Kenya have endured decades of poor management and intense agricultural activity. Their degradation poses a major threat to local wildlife and pastoral farmers who are reliant on healthy grasslands for their survival.



Rapid decline

This loss of habitat has caused Grevy's zebra numbers to decline 85% since 1970, and the lack of suitable farmland is making it increasingly difficult for local people to raise their livestock.



Farming and conservation

Daniel was born into the Samburu community in Kenya, who are semi-nomadic pastoralists related to the Maasai. In 2004, he founded the Westgate Community Conservancy, which has seen great success promoting better farming practices to reduce grassland degradation and foster ecological, socio-cultural and economic sustainability.

Daniel's project aims to:

- Restore grasslands and encourage more sustainable practices to reverse the decline in Grevy's zebra and improve livelihood security.
- Set up community based wildlife, habitat and livestock monitoring.
- Establish Westgate as a community training centre in Kenya and East Africa.

Why it matters:

- Grevy's zebra are one of Africa's most endangered large mammals.
- Less than 0.5% of the Grevy's zebras range is protected.
- Win-win for people and wildlife.

“Conservation of wildlife is part and parcel of their livelihood”

Zahirul Islam

Community based
sea turtle conservation
Bangladesh



www.seaturtlebd.org

Leading the way

There is nobody who has done more for sea turtle conservation in Bangladesh than Zahirul. MarineLife Alliance, the NGO he founded in 1999, is the country's only organisation dedicated to protecting sea turtles and its beach monitoring programme is the longest running. A WFN Associate Award winner in 2008, Zahirul also used this support to launch Bangladesh's first ever sea turtle satellite tracking programme.



Lack of awareness

Poaching and the destruction of beaches through tourism development have contributed to an 80% decline in sea turtles in Bangladesh over the past 40 years. Fishing is a way of life here, and large numbers of turtles are accidentally caught in nets and on hooks. These migratory reptiles cover vast distances, and very little is known about where they go once they leave the beach, hindering their conservation.



On land and sea

Zahirul's multi-disciplinary project is building capacity for local people to make a difference to sea turtle conservation both in and out of the water.

With his project Zahirul will:

- Extend his monitoring programme to cover all 220km of Bangladesh's beaches.
- Provide data for the establishment of protected areas for turtles both on and off shore.
- Train fishermen in techniques to reduce the number of turtles caught accidentally.

Why it matters:

- Cox's Bazar, the world's longest sandy beach, provides 140 km of valuable nesting habitat for threatened Olive ridley and Green turtles.
- There is no current mechanism to protect these beaches from indiscriminate development.
- Sea turtle populations are declining across the world.

“When the elders see the turtle hatchlings they feel happy”

Ekwoke Abwe

Local community protection
of the endangered great apes
of Ebo Forest

Cameroon



Local leader

Ekwoke grew up in rural Cameroon where his passion for great apes was born. He has played a pivotal role in conservation and research in South Western Cameroon for almost a decade and since 2010 has been managing the Ebo Forest Research Project alongside local communities.



Rare chimpanzees

The Ebo Forest is home to Western lowland gorillas as well as a significant population of the Nigeria-Cameroon chimpanzee, the rarest of the subspecies, which has a unique repertoire of tool use. This 2,000 km² jungle also harbours forest elephants and the spectacular Goliath frog, the largest frog in the world.

Oil palm threat

Surrounding the Ebo Forest are 19 villages that depend on subsistence agriculture, hunting and bushmeat trade for food and income. While the Cameroon government sees the potential of declaring the Ebo Forest a National Park, plans by the world's largest oil palm producer to open a plantation on the western margins of the forest pose a serious new threat.



Ekwoke's project aims to:

- Encourage local people to participate in conservation activities and raise awareness.
- Monitor chimpanzees, gorillas and other endangered mammals in the forest.
- Support the transition of Ebo Forest into a National Park.

Why it matters:

- There are thought to be fewer than 25 Ebo gorillas left.
- A biodiversity hotspot, Ebo Forest is considered an 'exceptional priority site' for Nigeria-Cameroon chimpanzee conservation.
- Up to 300 football fields of forest are cleared every hour for oil palm.

**“Gradually we have won over
the confidence of hunters”**

Eugene Simonov

Keeping Rivers Wild and Free

Russia, China
and Mongolia



Building bridges

Russian environmentalist, Eugene is passionate about the Amur River, the largest still free-flowing transboundary river system in the Eastern Hemisphere. Founder and International Coordinator of Rivers without Boundaries (RwB), Eugene is uniting NGOs and experts from Mongolia, China, Russia and the USA to work jointly to protect rivers and wetlands across Eastern and Northern Asia.



Saving the Black Dragon

Known in China as the Black Dragon, the 2,284 km Amur River provides critical habitat to migratory fish and wetland birds as well as invaluable ecosystem services to millions of people. However, undammed waterways, including the Amur's main source, the Shilka River, are now being threatened by plans for large scale hydropower projects, despite opposition from local communities whose riverside homes could be flooded.



Sustainable development

Eugene and RwB's mission is to prove that free flowing rivers are scarce precious resources not to be wasted, but should be used for conservation and multi-faceted sustainable development.



His project aims to:

- Provide stakeholders with tools to assess hydro projects and the means to minimize impact.
- Safeguard two rivers from damming and use these as case studies in Asia.
- Develop a multi-lingual, information based approach to support cooperation between countries.

Why it matters:

- 17 wetlands in the Amur basin are Ramsar sites of International Importance.
- The Amur River is home to the critically endangered Kaluga, the world's largest sturgeon, and the world's largest salmon, the taimen.
- Freshwater biodiversity is disappearing at a faster rate than terrestrial or marine equivalents.

“Un-dammed rivers are sensitive and limited, so hydropower is neither clean nor renewable”

Çağan Şekercioğlu

Putting Turkey on the conservation map

Turkey



In total, WFN has awarded £150,000 to support the work of Çağan and his colleagues at KuzeyDoga. Their impact and achievements through this funding have been extraordinary.

Turkey is almost entirely covered by three of the world's 34 biodiversity hotspots (the Caucasus, Irano-Anatolian, and Mediterranean); however, its wildlife is increasingly threatened by rapid development and inadequate government support for conservation. Driven by the memory of wetlands around his native Istanbul disappearing before his eyes as he grew up, 2008 Whitley Award winner, Çağan Şekercioğlu, is doing more than anyone to turn this situation around.

“My Whitley Award in 2008 brought our work at Kuyucuk to the government’s attention and this new wildlife corridor is a direct result of that success”



Whitley Award 2008-10

Community-based conservation and restoration of Kuyucuk Lake, Kars, Eastern Turkey

RESULTS

- Home to 30,000 birds, Kuyucuk Lake declared a protected area and Ramsar site of international significance.
- Separate halves of the lake reconnected after 30 years following removal of bisecting road.
- The remaining section of this road became Turkey's first artificial island created for wildlife.

Continuation Funding 2010-12

Conserving biodiversity and local-led ecotourism development, Northeastern Turkey

RESULTS

- Government agreement to create Turkey's first landscape-scale conservation project and wildlife corridor.
- First ever tagging and tracking of wolves carried out in Turkey and discovery of a new population of the endangered Caucasian lynx.
- Number of bird species seen at Lake Kuyucuk increased from 207 in 2010 to 223 in 2012.



Continuation Funding 2012 to present

Landscape Conservation of Large Carnivores, Northeastern Turkey

Çağan's current WFN funded work is guiding the creation of Turkey's first ever corridor for wildlife which will link up important habitat for bears, lynx and other large carnivores in Turkey and neighbouring Georgia. The 28,543 ha corridor will stretch for 162km, involve the planting of 4.5 million native trees and will greatly reduce human-wildlife conflict in the region.



*Above: wolf and lynx
captured by a KuzeyDoga
camera trap*

As one of the world's leading international conservation scientists and ornithologists, Çağan's influence extends far beyond Turkey and he is a collaborative and supportive member of the Whitley Alumni Network. We are delighted to announce Çağan Şekercioğlu as the winner of the 2013 Whitley Gold Award.



Continuation Funding Awarded from 2010 to 2013

Winners of the Whitley Award can apply to us again for further funding after the completion of their first grant.

Continuation Funding is applied for competitively and funds are awarded to the strongest applicants at each round.

“Because of the relative freedom to use the funds, we have been able to expand our work to other projects and ideas that have since flourished into fully fledged programs.”

**Rodrigo Medellín,
Mexico (2004)**



Terrestrial £717,500

£90,000 Charu Mishra (2005)

Scaling up a win-win conservation solution for snow leopards and rural communities across the Himalayas

£90,000 Çağan Şekercioğlu (2008)

Strengthening regional conservation in North Eastern Turkey and building capacity for community led ecotourism

£60,000 Sergei Berezuk (2006)

£13,500 Challenge Grant*

Improving anti-poaching capacity and efficiency for Amur tiger and leopard conservation, Russia

£60,000 Angela Maldonado (2010)

Community-based monitoring against wildlife exploitation and protected area management along the Colombian-Peruvian Amazonian border

£60,000 Dino Martins (2009)

Conserving pollinating insects to protect wild habitat and food security, Kenya

£60,000 Rodrigo Medellín (2004)

Expansion of the national bat conservation and environmental education programme in Mexico

£60,000 Marleny Rosales-Meda (2008)

Sustainable management of wild resources and implementation of the first government approved environmental education programme, Guatemala

£50,000 Rom Whitaker (2005)

Expansion of the Agumbe Rainforest research, conservation and environmental education programme, India

£30,000 Gerardo Ceballos (2006)

Conservation of prairie dog grasslands through ecosystem restoration and sustainable agriculture, Northern Mexico

£30,000 Shafqat Hussein (1999)

Partnering herders to reduce livestock predation and conflict with snow leopards, Pakistan

£30,000 M.D. Madhusudan (2009)

Improving protected area management in the Western Ghats to reduce human wildlife conflict, India

£30,000 Suprabha Seshan (2006)

In-situ and ex-situ plant conservation for habitat restoration in the Western Ghats, India

£27,000 Dami Buchori (2000) Challenge Grant*

Sustainable development and participative community-protected area management in the heart of Borneo, Indonesia

£27,000 Bohdan Prots (2007) Challenge Grant*

Uniting stakeholders for inclusive management of protected areas and sustainable development in the ancient forests of the Transcarpathians, Ukraine

(Year of first award)



Coastal & Marine £390,000

£60,000 Randall Arauz 🐟 (2004)

Closing loopholes for shark finning and enhancing sustainable fisheries management, Costa Rica

£60,000 Sandra Bessudo 🐟 (2007)

Endangered shark conservation along the Colombian coast and in the open waters of the Eastern Tropical Pacific

£60,000 Pablo Borboroglu 🐧 (2010)

Expanding the world's first global coalition for international penguin conservation

£60,000 Didiher Chacon 🐢 (2005)

Strengthening networks for practical regional conservation of sea turtles across the Caribbean

£60,000 Amanda Vincent 🐠 (1994)

Creating a movement for citizen science and public participation in seahorse conservation, Philippines

£60,000 Liu Yi 🌿 (2008)

Coastal habitat conservation research and community restoration of mangroves in South Eastern China

£30,000 Jean Weiner 🌿 (2008)

Mangrove nurseries, habitat restoration and sustainable livelihoods as tools for coastal conservation, Haiti



Wetland & Freshwater £223,500

£60,000 Karen Aghababyan 🐦 (2006)

£13,500 Challenge Grant (2006)*

White storks as a flagship for strengthening regional wetland conservation in Armenia and the South Caucasus.

£60,000 Fernando Trujillo 🐬 (2007)

A cross-border strategy for habitat restoration, sustainable livelihoods and river dolphin conservation, Amazon basin

£60,000 Guo Yu Min 🦢 (2007)

Crane conservation as a tool for transboundary watershed and wetland management against mining, China, Russia, Mongolia

£30,000 Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka 🐼 (2009)

Water conservation and community healthcare for mountain gorilla conservation, Uganda

“There is no substitute to sustained field presence. Conservation will not be achieved through occasional visits and meetings; but by living with local people.”

Charu Mishra, India (2005)

***Challenge Grant** – In 2010, WFN partnered with WWF-UK to offer Challenge Grants, small grants with the specific goal of bringing about collaboration and closer working between Whitley Award winners and WWF local offices. Four Challenge Grants totalling £81,000 have been awarded so far.



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Over the past
three years, 27
Continuation
Funding grants
have been
awarded,
totalling
£1.4m

Many of our winners – right back to the first Whitley Award winner in 1994, to more recent winners – benefit from these important follow on grants, staying in close touch with the charity. We are proud to have contributed to supporting their ongoing work.

Thank you

We could not have achieved what we have over the past 20 years without your support – Thank you!

We are most grateful for the generosity of all our Award donors and supporters, including those who choose to remain anonymous.

“As a measure of the high diversity that Whitley Award funding has enabled us to conserve – we have some Kenyan sites with over 1000 wild pollinator species occurring within a single farm!”

**Dino Martins,
Kenya (2009)**

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Please support us

Since 1994, WFN has made a **difference: we have given nearly £10m in funding to direct-action, community-based conservation, in country.** We have recognised 160 passionate and effective local leaders through our Awards and we have raised awareness of conservation issues and given funding in 70 different countries. **But to fund a further 20 years, we need your help!** Donate online at **www.whitleyaward.org** or send this form with a cheque made payable to **Whitley Fund for Nature**, to the address overleaf.

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If you would prefer not to be named as a donor on the Whitley Fund for Nature website, Award Ceremony programme and other materials, please tick here: ☐

Friends' Donations

Our Friends have an annual target of £100,000, and we are delighted that this year this target has been reached! Every pound we raise now goes towards vital Continuation Funding (see page 16). The donations we receive from our Friends are the lifeblood of the charity, enabling us to offer a Whitley Award donated entirely by the Friends of WFN.

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