

Access to Finance for Biodiversity Conservation Projects (UNDP)



Nature, Climate and Energy Cooperation in the Arab Region



Biodiversity, Land and Ecosystems

NBSAPs/LDN: Scale Up Finance, Accelerate Results

SDG Nexus: Co-Benefits for Poverty, Gender and Peace

Enabling Policy Environment: setting the foundation for implementation of the new *Global Biodiversity Framework* via UNDP/GEF Early Action, NBSAP Update and Biodiversity Finance Initiatives in Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Somalia, Tunisia, Yemen

Scaling NBSAP and LDN Implementation: an expanding series of regional and country initiatives to expand finance and local action

Few examples =>

































Regional Coral Resilience Project (2024-30)

New multi-country initiative (2023-2028) to help restore, manage, and conserve coral reef ecosystems in the Gulf of Aqaba and Red Sea in partnership with Jordan and Egypt and the support of the Global Coral Reef Fund and other donors.

The new initiative will help **bridge finance gaps** for ecosystem conservation to achieve the goals of the new **Global Biodiversity Framework**, and catalyze **private sector and blended finance solutions in concert with banks and investment facilities** for nature positive business and livelihoods.







































Land Degradation in Lebanon's Mountains (2021-24)

(\$21m: \$4.6m GEF, \$16.5m public/private co-financing)

Ecosystem restoration is a top priority in Lebanon where mountain ecosystems in particular facing severe land degradation and loss of habitats due to unsustainable land use practices including overgrazing, deforestation, land use conversion, agricultural chemicals, quarrying and settlement. The project achieves land degradation neutrality in mountain ecosystems by rehabilitating degraded lands and sustaining livelihoods. It enhances integration of sustainability into land use planning and enhances capacities for compliance and enforcement.

































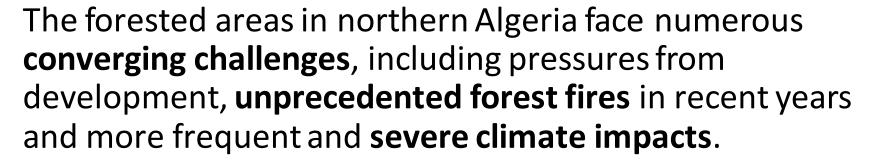






Ecosystem Restoration in Algeria (2024-2028)

(\$28m: \$4m GEF, \$24m public/private co-finance)



The project will promote conservation, restoration, and sustainable management of the Aleppo pine forests by enhancing forest regulations, developing capacities for restoration and sustainable forest management and new nature positive financing solutions.











































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