

ALLIANCE FOR Zero Extinction

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AZE Initiative Fund

The AZE Initiative Fund is a \$10-million, 5-year initiative to reduce species extinctions. **Apply for a grant** to 1) establish or expand a public or private protected area or an OECM or 2) conduct research at unprotected or partially protected AZE sites to inform protection approaches.



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Global Species Action Plan

IUCN's Global Species Action Plan, written to support implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF), suggests actions to "conserve and sustainably manage species while ensuring equitable benefits," including focusing the expansion of protected areas on "sites of high importance for species," such as AZE sites.

AZE and NBSAP updates

AZE is a technical partner of the NBSAP Forum, a joint initiative of UNEP, UNDP and the CBD to support country updates of their national biodiversity strategies and action plans (NBSAPs), a requirement of the CBD. Learn how conserving AZE sites can meet multiple GBF targets [here](#).



The Alliance for Zero Extinction (AZE) is a joint initiative of over 125 biodiversity conservation organizations working to prevent extinctions by promoting the identification and ensuring the safeguard and effective conservation of key sites that are the last remaining refuges of one or more Endangered or Critically Endangered species.