

# FOCUSED ON NATURE



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ecosystems and species



“FON is like a dream for me. There is freedom in the work, passion, joy, discovery, a constant renewal of the bonds of friendship and an overarching, unifying goal... FON and my photography and those combined feel like my mission in life.”

Hussain Aga Khan

# Hussain Aga Khan

Founder, Director and Photographer



Hussain Aga Khan developed a keen interest in conservation at a young age and began scuba diving at 14. He frequently travelled to the tropics after high school and started taking photographs of fauna and flora on a trip to the Brazilian Amazon in 1996.

Through numerous exhibitions, publications and talks, he has created a global platform to raise awareness and inspire and educate audiences to protect the most threatened places and species on our planet. His exhibitions have been held in Bahrain, Canada, France, Italy, Kenya, Monaco, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

He chairs the board of the Aga Khan Agency for Habitat, serves on the board of the Aga Khan Trust for Culture, and is a member of the Aga Khan Development Network's Environment and Climate Committee. He is a board member of Mission Blue and of the Shark Conservation Fund, a member of the Jane Goodall Legacy Foundation's Council for Hope, and an ambassador for the Natural History Museum, London.

He has published four books, *Animal Voyage* (2004), *Diving into Wildlife* (2015), *Fragile Beauty* (2022), and *The Living Sea* (2022), as well as held numerous illustrated talks for diverse audiences.

# Focused on Nature

## FON

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Focused on Nature (FON) was established by Hussain Aga Khan in 2014 to support global conservation, advocacy and research efforts through financial contributions to conservation organisations, including significant grassroots initiatives.

Projects are handpicked and vetted through a process of consultation with FON's expert and committed advisors. FON funding is channelled towards the conservation of selected marine species such as cetaceans, sharks and sea turtles, terrestrial species such as African elephants and rhinoceroses, and key ecosystems – especially rainforests.

Exhibitions, public screenings, illustrated talks, books, and limited edition print sales are all used to inspire people to fall in love with nature, encourage them to change their consumption behaviours and motivate them to educate others.

## FON's Mission

### Photography Exhibitions, Awareness, Education

Hussain Aga Khan's passion for wildlife photography is at the heart of FON, which now holds extensive archives accumulated over nearly three decades from his marine and terrestrial expeditions. The photographs depict hundreds of hours of his most enthralling and surprising encounters with wildlife.

FON uses the photographic medium to communicate with diverse audiences and to raise awareness around the necessity and urgency to protect fragile and threatened ecosystems around the world.

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## Exhibitions

The first exhibition, drawn from these archives, was held in 2004 at Columbia University and showcased the splendour of rainforests. Since then, the exhibitions have evolved into global platforms to raise awareness and educate audiences about diverse species and ecosystems.

The visually vibrant exhibitions, drawing thousands of visitors - including students and youth - from cities around the world, demonstrate a commitment to showcasing the beauty, fragility and diversity of the natural world.

## Illustrated Talks

Illustrated talks have been attended by prestigious audiences, including leadership, senior faculty, guests and students from renowned governmental, educational and cultural organisations.

## Partners & Programmes

Through FON's network of conservation partners, FON engages with global subject matter experts to produce quality awareness and education initiatives around developments and innovations in conservation.

## Photographic Print Sales

Specifically selected fine art print collections of Hussain Aga Khan's photography are available in limited time releases. The prints are produced, mounted and framed to the highest standards. All prints come with a certification.

# FON's Financial Contributions

## Grants



FON supports global conservation, advocacy, and research efforts through direct financial contributions to some of the world's leading conservation organisations.

FON additionally supports directly, various grassroots conservation initiatives for the protection of threatened animal species, leading to immediate and significant impact in these areas.

To date, FON has contributed over USD 4.5 million.

## Reach and Impact

FON's beneficiaries (Grantees), operate conservation, advocacy and research programmes, initiatives and campaigns in over 32 countries, regions and oceans in the world.

## Countries and Regions

Australia / Bahamas / Belize / Bermuda / Costa Rica / Cuba / Ecuador / Galapagos / Germany / Indonesia (Sumatra) / Kenya / Latin America, Central America, South America and the Caribbean / Madagascar / Mexico / Mozambique / North America / Panama / Philippines / South Africa / South-East Asia / Tanzania / Thailand / United Kingdom

\*The Shark Conservation Fund operates in 62 countries and regions around the world.

# FON Contributions to Beneficiaries

## Grantees

### Marine Conservation and Protection

FON partners with globally renowned conservation organisations committed to securing marine protected areas, protecting ocean biodiversity, policy and advocacy efforts to reduce harmful commercial and consumption practices and sustaining ocean health.

FON has contributed nearly USD 2 million towards the protection and conservation of marine species and ecosystems globally, over the past ten years.

**Cetaceans:** Over USD 430,000 contributed towards protection, conservation and research around cetaceans over 9 years.

THE WILD  
DOLPHIN  
PROJECT (WDP)

WDP's 40-year-old long-term study, under its founder and research director – Denise Herzing, demonstrates its commitment to the research and reporting on the life history, behaviour, communication and genetics of Atlantic wild spotted dolphins in the Bahamas.

WHALE AND  
DOLPHIN  
CONSERVATION  
(WDC)

WDC is the leading global charity for the protection of whales and dolphins. Projects include the creating of sea sanctuaries; stopping global whale hunting; creating healthy seas; research for safer fishing methods; strengthening laws to prevent net deaths; research on the impact and importance of cetaceans in climate change mitigation (carbon sequestering); and developing cutting-edge technology and scientific methods to track and monitor global cetacean populations.

**Sharks:** Over USD 1 million contributed towards shark conservation and research efforts over 5 years.

THE SHARK  
CONSERVATION  
FUND (SCF)

SCF's global investment strategy focuses on building and growing durable policy, regulatory and enforcement infrastructures designed to reverse the decline in global shark populations.

CHARLES DARWIN  
FOUNDATION  
(CDF)

The Sharks Project research focuses on hammerheads, Galapagos sharks, tiger sharks, blacktips, whitetip reef sharks, silky sharks and whale sharks in the Galapagos Marine Reserve. CDF conducts studies and carries out research around the status of shark populations, movement patterns and migratory routes, marine reserve effectiveness for protection and effects of climate change on these species.

**Mobulids:** Over USD 80,000 contributed towards mobulid protection and research over 7 years.

THE MANTA  
TRUST (TMT)

TMT, a UK-registered charity established by Dr. Guy Stevens and Tom Peschak, coordinates global mobulid research and conservation using a multi-faceted approach (research, education and collaboration) to conserve mobulid rays, their relatives and their habitats.

**Sea Turtles:** Nearly USD 150,000 contributed towards the protection of endangered sea turtle species over 5 years.

THE SEA TURTLE  
CONSERVANCY  
(STC)

STC is a global leader (60 years) in sea turtle research and conservation, focusing on habitat protection, public education, community outreach, networking and policy initiatives. Policy work is directed at commercial fisheries regulations, coastal construction, international wildlife trade agreements, beachfront lighting regulations, marine pollution and climate change.



# FON Contributions to Beneficiaries

## Grantees

### Marine Conservation and Protection – Other Organisations

MISSION BLUE	Mission Blue, a global coalition founded by renowned oceanographer Dr. Sylvia Earle, raises public awareness and enhances access and support for a worldwide network of marine protected areas – Hope Spots, with the aim of creating a network large enough to restore the ocean. Currently, the Sylvia Earle Alliance includes more than 200 respected ocean conservation groups and like-minded organisations, from large multinational companies to individual scientific teams doing important research.
OCEANA	Oceana's policy campaigns around oceanic biodiversity in the world's oceans have resulted in the protection of nearly 4 million square miles of ocean. FON's contribution to Oceana supports the protection of marine habitats, prevention of overfishing, stopping new offshore drilling, reducing plastic pollution and saving endangered ocean animals.
BLUE MARINE FOUNDATION	Mission: To restore ocean health by addressing over-fishing by creating marine reserves, restoring vital habitats and establishing modes of sustainable fishing.

### Terrestrial Conservation and Protection

#### Chimpanzees

THE JANE GOODALL LEGACY FOUNDATION (JGL)	<p>The JGL Foundation was established by the globally renowned ethologist and conservationist Jane Goodall, to build, invest and manage an endowment fund to support programmes of the Jane Goodall Institute, including the Roots &amp; Shoots initiative.</p> <p>The Jane Goodall Legacy Foundation Council for Hope is a group of highly respected and influential individuals from the fields of conservation, science, business, government, media and the arts.</p>
JANE GOODALL INSTITUTE (JGI)	<p>JGI was founded by Jane Goodall and promotes understanding and protection of great apes and their habitat, with the aim of inspiring individual action by young people of all ages to help animals, other people and to protect the world we all share.</p> <p>The Institute uses a dynamic strategy – the 'triangle approach', using law enforcement, environmental education programmes and sanctuaries to protect chimpanzees and other great apes against disease transmission, illegal hunting and poaching, and human-wildlife conflict.</p> <p>Roots &amp; Shoots, JGI's youth-led global community action program, partners with schools, educators and youth organisations in nearly 100 countries, to inspire and engage youth to become active and empowered conservation-minded citizens in their daily lives.</p>

# FON Contributions to Beneficiaries

## Grantees

### Terrestrial Conservation and Protection

**Grassroots Organisations (Terrestrial):** FON has contributed over USD 1.13 million towards global grassroots conservation efforts for the protection of endangered or threatened terrestrial animal species, over the last 10 years.

SHELDRIK  
WILDLIFE TRUST  
(SWT)  
KENYA -  
ELEPHANTS

SWT has been operating their signature Orphans' Project for over 45 years. The project has received world-wide acclaim through its immensely successful elephant and rhino rescue and rehabilitation programme. SWT also carries out aerial surveillance, anti-poaching and mobile veterinary operations, to safeguard the natural environment and to provide immediate assistance to animals in need. SWT secures irreplaceable wilderness areas and works closely with local communities to reduce human-wildlife conflict.

WILDLIFE  
CONSERVATION  
SOCIETY (WCS)  
MOZAMBIQUE -  
ELEPHANTS

WCS is a US non-profit private organization established in 1895, to address species, habitat and ecosystem management issues critical to improving quality of life of impoverished rural people whose livelihoods depend on the direct utilization of natural resources. WCS has a presence in more than 60 countries and has established over 150 protected areas across the globe.

RHINO PRIDE  
FOUNDATION  
SOUTH AFRICA -  
RHINOS

A rhino sanctuary with a base treatment and rehabilitation facility, as well as secure rhino holding camps that shelter rhino against the threat of poaching. Veterinary services are provided by an experienced wildlife veterinarian. FON's contribution in 2022 was channeled directly towards the setting up of permanent camp fences to secure the sanctuary.

# FON Contributions to Beneficiaries

## Grantees

### Terrestrial Conservation and Protection

#### Rainforests – Biodiversity and Ecosystem Preservation and Protection.

**WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY / THE JOCOTOCO CONSERVATION FOUNDATION / RE:WILD / THE RAINFOREST TRUST**

FON's contributions directly fund land preservation and protection efforts in some of the most important and threatened rainforests globally. The rainforests host thousands of animal and plant species and are crucial carbon sequestration traps for climate change mitigation. FON has contributed over USD 1.9 million towards the protection of rainforests.

BELIZE  
ECUADOR  
GUATEMALA  
PAPUA PROVINCE,  
INDONESIA

#### **BELIZE**

Since 2020, FON has helped secure 53,000 acres (21,448 hectares) of rainforest in Belize. Focused On Nature's grants to the Wildlife Conservation Society and Re:wild have helped protect the vital ecosystem of the Maya Forest Corridor.

The beautiful forests of Central Belize connect two of the largest areas of unbroken protected habitat in Mesoamerica. If connected, these two landscapes— the Maya Mountains of Southern Belize and the Selva Maya forest region in Belize, Mexico, and Guatemala —would create the largest of the Five Great Forests of Mesoamerica.

Central Belize has been devastated by unsustainable agriculture in recent years – threatening to break the connection between these massive forest blocks, which would be devastating for the wildlife who call them home. The individual parcels of land in the corridor are owned by many different types of people, from farmers to private owners, and this is a challenging project as wildlife organizations are partnering to purchase the land from many different groups.

#### **GUATEMALA**

Since 2015, FON has helped secure 922 hectares of rainforest in Guatemala. Focused On Nature's grants to FUNDAECO, Global Wildlife Conservation and Re:wild were spent on establishing the San Isidro amphibian reserve (officially the Yal Unin Yul Witz Reserve), a 922-hectare reserve in the Cuchumatanes Mountains.

Focused On Nature's support was matched with support from Re:wild, the Rainforest Trust, the International Conservation Fund of Canada, World Land Trust, Paul Elias, and the Andrew Sabin Family Foundation.

The Sierra de los Cuchumatanes in northwestern Guatemala is the highest non-volcanic range in Central America, and a hotbed of unique and threatened amphibians including the Finca Chiblac Salamander, Long-limbed Salamander, Jackson's Climbing Salamander and the critically endangered and beautiful Morelett's Black-eyed Treefrog. The mountain range, cloaked in lush forest that filters water into the azure Laguna Maxbal, is also an important bird area, supporting populations of three globally threatened species.

The remoteness of the area has protected much of the forest to date but increasing pressures from corporations looking to exploit the coffee-growing potential of the land place these unique forests at risk, and the area has been identified as one of the highest priorities for biodiversity conservation.

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## Grantees

### Terrestrial Conservation and Protection

#### Rainforests – Biodiversity and Ecosystem Preservation and Protection.

BELIZE  
 ECUADOR  
 GUATEMALA  
 PAPUA PROVINCE,  
 INDONESIA

#### PAPUA PROVINCE, INDONESIA

In 2019, FON supported preliminary biodiversity surveys towards the protection of 2.5 million hectares of rainforest in Papua Province, Indonesia.

Focused On Nature’s grants to Re:wild are contributing to the ongoing fundraising for the \$1.5 million goal to protect this scale of forest in the Tolikara, Mamberamo, and Yahukimo Regencies, with local partner Yasumat.

The steep central mountains of Papua are covered in tropical montane forest hosting a wild diversity of flora and fauna. They are also home to many indigenous Papuan communities who depend on their sweet potato gardens and the forest for survival. Increased population, travel to cities, plastic usage and loss of some traditional farming practices and knowledge have led to a shift in the delicate balance that had been created. With more gardens being created in areas previously not cultivated, there is an increase in the frequency of serious landslides, along with more plastic pollution and water source contamination from poor sanitation facilities.

#### ECUADOR

Since 2021, FON has helped secure 1037.84 acres (420 hectares) of rainforest in Ecuador. Focused On Nature’s grants to Jocotoco Conservation Foundation has helped to purchase land of critical importance to the conservation of threatened species in the Choco rainforest close to Cuellaje Alto, Esmeraldas Province, Northwest Ecuador.

Jocotoco Conservation Foundation reserves are home to more than 1,000 species of birds. These include over 51 species threatened with extinction on a global scale and more than 100 species which are regional endemics and/or have a restricted geographical range. At least 200 species of amphibians and reptiles are protected in the Jocotoco reserves. Many of these are threatened or range-restricted, and some are new discoveries. Large and rare mammals which inhabit the reserves include the spectacled bear, mountain tapir, chocó tapir, puma, and jaguar.


FON’s support will help to create corridors from the rainforests to the cloud forests in the most biodiverse places on Earth – by buying private land that will connect with national parks. Corridors are one of the best solutions for migrating biodiversity under different climate change scenarios and rising temperatures.

# Prince Hussain Aga Khan

## Exhibitions, books and speeches timeline 2004 - 2023



Prince Hussain's exhibitions demonstrate his extraordinary commitment to showcasing the grandeur and diversity of the natural world, and its extreme fragility. They have evolved into global platforms to inspire, educate and illustrate the necessity and urgency to protect and conserve the most threatened places and species on our planet.

 exhibition

 book

 speech

### 2004



SIPA  
Columbia's School of  
International and Public Affairs,  
New York. April

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LUCHSINGER GALLERY  
Greenwich, Connecticut, USA.  
June



*Animal Voyage*  
112-page book

### 2007



*Animal Voyage,*  
*Travels 1996-2007*  
128-page book  
Les Éditions de l'Œil

### 2008



MAISON EUROPÉENNE  
DE LA PHOTOGRAPHIE  
Paris. December 5,  
2007 - January 6, 2008

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ARTRIUM GALLERY - UBS  
Geneva. December 12,  
2007 - February 25, 2008

### 2009



THE FUEL GALLERY  
Philadelphia.  
July 3 - August 8

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*And on the last day, plant a tree*  
WOODROW WILSON  
INTERNATIONAL  
CENTER FOR SCHOLARS  
Washington DC.  
September 18 - October 20

### 2010



VERBIER GPS  
Verbier Green Pioneering  
Summit and International  
Mountain Day, Switzerland.  
December 9-11

### 2015



*Focused on Nature*  
BG CAFÉ, magasin Bongénie,  
Geneva.  
June 19 - July 9

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*Focused on Nature*  
GALERIE ArcadeM, Geneva.  
June 19 - July 9

*Diving Into Wildlife*  
Blue - Ocean film Festival  
OCEANOGRAPHIC MUSEUM,  
Monaco. November 4 - 18



*Diving Into Wildlife*  
70-page book

### 2016



*Oceans - Current of life*  
EXPLORERS CLUB - THE  
CLUBHOUSE,  
New York. March 13

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*Focused on Nature*  
THOMAS GOODE & CO, London  
May 27 - June 10

*Focused on Nature*  
GALERIE DES PÊCHEURS,  
Monaco. Celebration of the  
Prince Albert II of Monaco  
Foundation 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
June 7 - July 6

# Prince Hussain Aga Khan

## Exhibitions, books and speeches timeline 2004 - 2023

### 2017



#### *The Living Sea*

COLUMBIA'S SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS, New York.  
March 31 - April 30

### 2018



#### *Fragile Beauty*

CITY HALL - SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY CONFERENCE, Nairobi.  
November 26 - 28

### 2019



#### *Fragile Beauty*

TOWN JAMATKHANA, Nairobi.  
January 30 - February 28

#### *The Living Sea*

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AND SCIENCE, Lisbon.  
September 27 - December 29



#### *Clarion Call*

Lecture and screening  
EAT STOCKHOLM FOOD FORUM, Sweden.  
June 13

### 2020



#### *The Living Sea - Fragile Beauty*

MUSEO ZULOAGA, Segovia, Spain. September 7 - 27

### 2022



#### *Fragile Beauty*

80-page book  
AKDN Kenya Communications

#### *The Living Sea*

312-page book  
La Fabrica



#### *The Living Sea*

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, Venice.  
June 9 - September 11



#### *Fragile Beauty*

ONE SUSTAINABLE OCEAN, an official side event accredited by the United Nations Ocean Conference. Pavilhão de Portugal, Lisbon.  
June 27 - July 1

#### *Fragile Beauty*

The Ismaili Centre, Lisbon.  
June 21 - July 27

CORPO SANTO HOTEL  
Lisbon. Permanent display

#### *The Living Sea - Fragile Beauty*

THE ISMAILI CENTRE, London.  
September 6 - 24

#### *The Living Sea*

BAHRAIN NATIONAL MUSEUM  
November 3, 2022 - through 2023



#### *Biodiversity in the Anthropocene*

Lecture and screening  
Pre COP27 & 15 briefing seminar  
SCIENCE MUSEUM, London.  
September 5

#### *The Seas of My Youth*

Lecture and screening  
NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, London. September 13

BIRDLIFE INTERNATIONAL

Lecture and screening  
Future of the Planet event  
Freemason's Hall in Covent Garden, London.  
September 15

AKU President's Challenge for Climate Solutions  
Lecture and screening  
AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY  
December 2

### 2023



#### *Fragile Beauty*

Lecture and screening  
SHAIKH EBRAHIM BIN MOHAMMED AL KHALIFA CENTER FOR CULTURE & RESEARCH, Bahrain.  
January 10

#### *Souls of the Sea*

Lecture and screening  
GALERIE GMURZYNSKA  
Palm Beach Show.  
FL, USA. February 16



#### *Cetacean Gallery*

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, Venice. Permanent display.

#### *The Photography of Hussain Aga Khan*

VON AUERSPERG ART GALLERY  
The Hess Center for the Arts,  
Deerfield Academy, MA. USA.  
May 7 - June 12

#### *The Living Sea - Fragile Beauty*

THE GLENBOW MUSEUM,  
Calgary. May 11 - 21

#### *The Living Sea - Fragile Beauty*

THE ISMAILI CENTRE, Toronto.  
May 24 - June 4



#### *Indo*

OXFORD WORLD FORUM ON ENTERPRISE AND THE ENVIRONMENT  
St Hilda's College  
University of Oxford  
September 26

#### *Fragile Beauty*

TERRA - THE SUSTAINABILITY PAVILION  
COP 28 - Expo City Dubai.  
November 30 - December 12

“Education and awareness are absolutely key”

Hussain Aga Khan

# Board of Advisors

FON's activities are overseen by a Board of Advisors whose members include scientists, photographers, conservation professionals and others committed to wildlife and ecosystem conservation.



## Dr. SYLVIA A. EARLE

Oceanographer, National Geographic Explorer-In-Residence,  
 Founder of MissionBlue and 2009 TED Prize Winner

National Geographic Society Explorer in Residence Dr. Sylvia A. Earle, called 'Her Deepness' by *The New Yorker* and *The New York Times*, 'Living Legend' by the Library of Congress, and first 'Hero for the Planet' by *Time Magazine*, is an oceanographer, explorer, author and lecturer with experience as a field research scientist, government official, and director for corporate and non-profit organizations including the Kerr McGee Corporation, Dresser Industries, Oryx Energy, the Aspen Institute, the Conservation Fund, American Rivers, Mote Marine Laboratory, Duke University Marine Laboratory, Rutgers Institute for Marine Science, the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, National Marine Sanctuary Foundation, and Ocean Futures. Formerly Chief Scientist of NOAA, Dr. Earle is the founder of Deep Ocean Exploration and Research, Inc. (DOER), founder of the Sylvia Earle Alliance (S.E.A.) / Mission Blue, Chair of the Advisory Council of the Harte Research Institute, inspiration for the ocean in Google Earth, leader of the NGS Sustainable Seas Expeditions, and the subject of the 2014 Netflix film, *Mission Blue*. She has a BS degree from Florida State University, MS and PhD from Duke University, 27 honorary degrees and has authored more than 200 scientific, technical and popular publications, including 13 books (most recently *Blue Hope* in 2014), lectured in more than 90 countries, and appeared in hundreds of radio and television productions.

She has led more than 100 expeditions and logged more than seven thousand hours underwater, including leading the first team of women aquanauts during the Tektite Project in 1970, participating in ten saturation dives, most recently in July 2012, and setting a record for solo diving in 1,000 metres depth. Her research concerns marine ecosystems with special reference to exploration, conservation and the development and use of new technologies for access and effective operations in the deep sea and other remote environments.

Her special focus is on developing a global network of areas in the Ocean, 'Hope Spots,' to safeguard the living systems that provide the underpinnings of global processes, from maintaining biodiversity and yielding basic life support services to providing stability and resilience in response to accelerating climate change.

Her more than 100 national and international honours include the 2013 National Geographic Hubbard Medal, 2011 Royal Geographical Society Patron's Medal, 2011 Medal of Honour from the Dominican Republic, 2009 TED Prize, Netherlands Order of the Golden Ark, Australia's International Banksia Award, Italy's Artiglio Award, the International Seakeepers Award, the International Women's Forum, the National Women's Hall of Fame, UNEP 2014 Champion of the Earth, 2014 Glamour Woman of the Year, Academy of Achievement, Los Angeles Times Woman of the Year, UN Global 500, and medals from the Explorers Club, the Philadelphia Academy of Sciences, Lindbergh Foundation, National Wildlife Federation, Sigma Xi, Barnard College, and the Society of Women Geographers.



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## Dr. JANE GOODALL, DBE

Founder of the Jane Goodall Institute (JGI) and UN Messenger of Peace, is a world-renowned ethologist and activist inspiring greater understanding and action on behalf of the natural world.

Dr. Goodall is known for groundbreaking studies of wild chimpanzees in Gombe Stream National Park, Tanzania, which forever changed our understanding of our relationship to the rest of the animal kingdom. This transformative research continues today as the longest running wild chimpanzee study in the world. Jane's work builds on scientific innovations, growing a lifetime of advocacy including trailblazing efforts through her international organization the Jane Goodall Institute which advances community-led conservation, animal welfare, science, and youth empowerment through JGI's Roots & Shoots program.

Today, Jane continues to connect with worldwide audiences, despite the challenges of the pandemic, through *Virtual Jane* including remote lectures, recordings, and her podcast, the *Jane Goodall Hopecast*. In 2021, Jane was the recipient of the Templeton Prize, and her newest book, *The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide for Trying Times*, was published.

Jane is a global icon spreading hope and turning it into meaningful positive impact to create a better world for people, other animals, and the planet we share.



## PRINCE RAHIM AGA KHAN

Chair of the AKDN Environment and Climate Committee

Prince Rahim (born in 1971) is the second of His Highness the Aga Khan's four children. Based in Geneva, Switzerland, he has been actively involved for many years in the governance of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN).

Prince Rahim is Chair of the AKDN Environment and Climate Committee (ECC) and sits on either the board or executive committee of most of the AKDN agencies. He also co-chairs AKDN's budget review committees.

Prince Rahim graduated from Brown University, Rhode Island, USA, with a Bachelor's Degree in Comparative Literature awarded in 1996. He received his secondary education at Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts. In 2006, he completed an executive development programme in management and administration at the University of Navarra IESE Business School in Barcelona, Spain. Prince Rahim travels regularly to Asia and Africa to read AKDN's programmes and projects.

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## THOMAS P. PESCHAK

National Geographic Photographer/Explorer, Senior Fellow—International League of Conservation Photographers, Associate Director—The Manta Trust

Thomas P. Peschak is a National Geographic Photographer and National Geographic Explorer who specializes in documenting both the beauty and fragility of the world's oceans, islands and coasts. Originally trained as a marine biologist, he embraced photojournalism after realizing that his photographs could have greater conservation impact than scientific statistics. Since 2009 he has shot ten stories for National Geographic Magazine on a range of subjects, from manta rays to seabirds, and the Seychelles to the Galápagos Islands. His most recent feature assignment on sea turtle conservation was published in the October 2019 issue. Thomas is a founding director of the Manta Trust, a senior fellow of the International League of Conservation Photographers and the former director of conservation of the Save our Seas Foundation. He has written and photographed seven books, including the recent *Sharks and People and Manta: The Secret Life of Devil Rays*. He is a multiple winner in the BBC Wildlife Photographer of the Year Awards and has received seven World Press Photo Awards for his images and stories. In 2015, he gave the TED talk 'Dive into an ocean photographer's world', which has been viewed more than 1 million times. When not travelling the world on assignment, he calls Cape Town in South Africa home.



## KATHY MORAN

National Geographic magazine's senior editor

Kathy is co-founder of Moran Griffin, Inc. and works as a photo editor and project consultant. Previously, she was *National Geographic* magazine's deputy director of photography. As the magazine's first senior editor for natural history, Kathy produced projects on terrestrial and underwater ecosystems for the magazine since 1990. She was the project manager for the National Geographic Society/Wildlife Conservation Society's partnership documenting photographer Nick Nichols and Dr. Michael Fay's trek across Central Africa. The resulting stories were the impetus for the creation of Gabon's national park system. More recently she produced two single-topic conservation-focused issues of the magazine on oceans (May '21) and the Serengeti (December '21).

Kathy has photo edited several books for the Society, including *Women Photographers at the National Geographic*, *The Africa Diaries – An Illustrated Life in the Bush*, *Cat Shots* and most recently, *Tigers Forever*. She was the photo editor for two anthems of wildlife photography, *100 Best Wildlife Pictures* and *Wildlife, The Best Photos*. She recently curated an exhibition for the Society's museum "50 Best Wildlife Photographs" which has traveled around the country and internationally. Kathy has produced numerous books with ILCP photographers in collaboration with the University of Chicago Press. She was named "Picture Editor of the Year" for her winning portfolios in the 2017 and 2006 POYi competition and the 2011 Best of Photo competition.

Kathy is a founding member of the International League of Conservation Photographer and currently serves on its board. She is on the advisory committee for Focused on Nature. She continues to edit books and projects, mentor photographers, serve on photo juries and work with the xPosure Festival in Sharjah, UAE. She lives in Arlington, VA, with her husband and three bad cats.

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## SHARI SANT PLUMMER

### President, Code Blue Foundation

Environmental philanthropist and ocean activist, is president and founder of Code Blue Charitable Foundation, secretary/trustee of the Summit Charitable Foundation, founding board member of the Sylvia Earle Alliance, vice chair of the National Aquarium in Baltimore, and former vice president of Seacology. A proponent of impact photography and filmmaking, Shari served as board chair of the International League of Conservation Photographers for five years and is currently an affiliate. Shari also serves on the advisory board for Focused on Nature. She is also a producer of documentary films, including the Emmy-award-winning Netflix documentaries *Mission Blue* (executive producer) and *Chasing Coral* (associate producer), and is executive producer on Anote's Ark, Sharkwater Extinction, and Ghost Fleet.

A graduate of New York University, Plummer worked as senior stylist and design director for Ralph Lauren in New York for nine years, then as visual director at Esprit. In 1994, in San Francisco, she founded the environmental lifestyle store Worldware. She sold the business in 2001, and now devotes herself full-time to environmental work, with a focus on producing impact media to inspire change.

As an avid diver, photographer, and ocean activist Shari travels extensively throughout the world, promoting ocean conservation and environmental awareness. She lives in New York and California.



## JIM ANGELL

### Director of Conservation & Board Member of the Paul M. Angell Family Foundation

Jim Angell is the director of conservation and a board member of the Paul M. Angell Family Foundation. Jim's work at the Foundation focuses primarily on supporting efforts to protect and conserve the world's ocean habitats, coral reefs and apex predators whose survival is imperilled by overfishing and global climate change.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Jim worked as an attorney for nearly two decades with Earthjustice, a U.S. public interest environmental law firm. As an attorney in Earthjustice's Bozeman, Montana office, and later as the managing attorney in the organization's Denver, Colorado office, he litigated and directed numerous cases whose goals were to protect the landscapes and endangered species of the American West, and to preserve the clean air and water upon which the region's residents depend.

Jim has degrees from Columbia College (BA), the University of California at Los Angeles (MA), and the University of California at Berkeley (JD). Jim lives in Colorado with his wife, Shannon Connery, and their four children, of whom he is inordinately proud.

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## Dr. DENISE HERZING

Founder and Research Director of the Wild Dolphin Project, Ph.D.

Dr. Denise Herzing, founder and research director of the Wild Dolphin Project, has completed 35 years of her long-term study of the Atlantic spotted dolphins inhabiting Bahamian waters. She received her BS in Marine Zoology, her MA in Behavioural Biology and her PhD in Behavioural Biology/Environmental Studies. She is an affiliate assistant professor in Biological Sciences at Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida. Dr. Herzing is a 2008 Guggenheim Fellow, a fellow with the Explorers Club, a scientific advisor for the Lifeboat Foundation and the American Cetacean Society, and on the board of Schoolyard Films.

In addition to many scientific articles (<http://www.wilddolphinproject.org/research/library/>), she is the coeditor of *Dolphin Communication and Cognition*, author of *Dolphin Diaries: My 25 years with Spotted Dolphins in the Bahamas* and *The Wild Dolphin Project* (2002).

Coverage of her work with the spotted dolphins has appeared in *National Geographic Magazine* 1992 and 2015, *BBC Wildlife*, *Ocean Realm* and *Sonar* magazines and featured on *Nature*, *Discovery*, *PBS*, *ABC*, *BBC*, *NHK*, *PBS* and *TED2013*.

Dr. Herzing has spoken at the Society for Marine Mammalogy, European Cetacean Society, International Fund for Animal Welfare, the Explorers Club, *TED2013*, Boston Museum of Science, American Cetacean Society and others.



## DAVID DE ROTHSCHILD

Founder of the Voice for Nature Foundation

As an explorer, who has traversed some of the world's toughest environments, David de Rothschild has been harnessing his curious spirit to help give Nature a voice and make the world a more sustainable place for the last two decades.

In 2006, he founded the Voice for Nature Foundation, an organization that uses exploration, adventure and storytelling to give 'Nature a voice.' David is one of the leaders of a new generation of change-makers focused on re-igniting collective hope in the future of the planet. Along with helping unearth innovative solutions to tackle our most pressing problems, David uses innovative storytelling to inspire a movement around how we can all live more sustainably. Despite having witnessed first-hand the impact of climate change and human industry on some of the planet's most fragile ecosystems, David remains boldly confident that if we can all work together and act now, there is still a chance we can turn things around and continue to live on 'spaceship earth'. David has taken his call to action to millions of individuals across all demographics—from children in classrooms to world leaders, NGOs to NASA, industries to non-profits, Oprah Winfrey to Nickelodeon. He has hosted conferences, delivered keynotes, published books, produced a Sundance Channel TV series and a *National Geographic* documentary and was featured in a recent CNN series, *Modern Explorers*.

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## TREVOR FROST

### Advisor on Conservation and Photography

Trevor Frost is a photographer and National Geographic explorer. He has worked on the frontlines of conservation for almost 10 years, both as a storyteller and a field biologist. His contribution to conservation has spanned the globe, from Indonesia to Australia to Africa, and has included a photo book which saved a million acres of wilderness from mining in British Columbia, anti-poaching missions in Africa, and camera trap surveys of big cats in South America. As a principal advisor on conservation and photography to Focused on Nature, Trevor uses his knowledge to identify projects in need of support and to advise the board on grant decisions. He also works with Focused on Nature to organize special photo expeditions. When not in the field, Trevor lives in Richmond, VA, next to the James river.



## ROBIN MOORE

### Conservationist, photographer and author

Robin Moore is a conservationist, photographer and author with a PhD in Biodiversity Conservation from the University of Kent in the UK.

His first book, *In Search of Lost Frogs*, is a 70,000-word narrative wrapped around 400 images depicting his search for some of the most elusive creatures on earth. The book was featured by the Guardian, Mother Nature Network and the Dodo as one of the top nature and conservation photography books of the year.

He is a communications director with Global Wildlife Conservation and a senior fellow of the International League of Conservation Photographers.

He also teaches photography and video storytelling bootcamps with *National Geographic*.



## LUCAS BUSTAMANTE

### Co-founder and Vicepresident—Savia Fund, Co-founder—Tropical Herping

Lucas Bustamante has been bitten by countless snakes, chased by elephants, and has dived along with sharks. He is an Ecuadorian biologist and wildlife photojournalist whose primary goal is to use photography to promote environmental and cultural conservation. Lucas is a co-founder of Savia Fund and Tropical Herping, and an associate fellow of the International League of Conservation Photographers (ILCP). He manages research and photography projects in different countries throughout South America, Africa, and Asia. Lucas is an author of some books, such as *Reptiles of the Galapagos*, and he has described eight new species. Lucas spends his time diving and playing soccer with his friends when taking a break from work.

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## JULIAN COOK

### Vice-Chairman of the Board at Flybondi

Julian has been involved in the airline industry for close to 25 years, initially on the investment banking side in 1995 as an associate at The Chase Manhattan Bank in London, New York and Johannesburg. In 2003, Julian launched Flybaboo, a regional airline based in Geneva, and was the CEO until 2008, and then chairman until 2011 when the company was sold. In 2012 he joined Aviasolutions/GE Capital Aviation Services as a director of the airline strategic consulting team.

In 2016 Julian raised usd 75 million to launch Flybondi, the first low cost airline in Argentina, and was the CEO until December 2018. Since January 2019, he is vice-chairman of the board. He was on the board of Impact Finance Management, a Geneva-based fund manager offering loans to companies with a strong social impact in emerging markets, from 2012 to 2016. He is currently part of the Ashoka Support Network in Argentina, helping social entrepreneurs. Julian holds a BSc in Economics from The London School of Economics and Political Sciences and an MBA from Columbia Business School in New York.



## ALI HEDAYAT

### Managing Director of Maryana Capital

Mr. Hedayat is the founder and has been managing director of Maryana Capital, a financial firm in Toronto, Canada. He previously co-founded Edoma Capital in London, a capital fund, where he worked from 2010 until December 2012, and was a partner at Indus Capital, a capital fund in London, from May 2013 until March 2015. Mr. Hedayat held progressively more senior roles at the Goldman Sachs Group from 1997 until 2010, including from 2005 to 2007 as managing director of the European Principal Strategies group and from 2007 to 2010 as managing director and co-head of the Americas Principal Strategies group. Mr. Hedayat served on the board of U.S. Geothermal Inc., a leading renewable energy company, from February 2017 until its sale to Ormat Technologies Inc. in April 2018 and currently serves on the board of Crius Energy, an independent energy retailer in the United States and Restaurant Brands International, a leading quick service restaurant operator.

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## NOAH HARLAN

### Founding Partner at Two Bulls

Noah Harlan is a founding partner of the digital product studio Two Bulls with offices in Brooklyn and Melbourne. Noah has served in a variety of leadership positions in the tech community with a focus on open source software and open governance including as president and director of the AllSeen Alliance, and treasurer and director of the EdgeX Foundry, two major industry consortia under the auspices of the Linux Foundation. Prior to Founding Two Bulls, Noah worked in film and media as a producer of six feature films and received an Emmy Award as a documentary writer and director. Noah currently serves as vice-chair of UrbanGlass, America's leading organization dedicated to the art, craft, education and advocacy of glass as a medium and sits on the innovation committee of the Made in NY Media Center. Noah has been an avid scuba diver for over 35 years and is a certified Master Diver. Noah holds a degree in Computer Science from Williams College and lives in Brooklyn with his wife, Micol Ostow, a best-selling author, and their two daughters.



## SAURABH DANI

### Senior Disaster Risk Management Specialist at the World Bank

Saurabh has been working on disaster risk management and climate change adaptation projects for close to twenty years. Since 2017, following the devastating hurricane season that impacted the Caribbean, he has worked for the World Bank in Latin America and the Caribbean region. Prior to that, he led and managed a portfolio of over one billion dollars, focusing on large disaster reconstruction and disaster mitigation projects in South Asia for the World Bank. Before joining the World Bank, Saurabh was based in Aceh, Indonesia with the British Red Cross working on tsunami reconstruction projects following the 2004 Asian tsunami. He has worked with the Asian Disaster Preparedness Center in Bangkok, Thailand, and at the International Research Institute for Climate and Society, which is part of the Earth Institute at Columbia University in New York. Before joining the development sector, Saurabh worked as an engineer with an environmental consulting firm designing solid waste management and landfill-gas-to-energy projects in California. Saurabh has a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Pune, India, a Master's in Environmental Engineering from the Missouri University of Science and Technology and a Master's in Public Policy and Administration from Columbia University.

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## ASHLEY PROUT MCAVEY

Independent Fund-Raising Professional, VermontForWildlife founder, VermontForWildlife website

Ashley Prout McAvey is a graduate of the Environmental Biology programme at Yale College and holds a Master of Environmental Management (MEM) degree from the Yale School of the Environment. She first visited Africa when she was 16 and saw first-hand the devastating results of human greed on a continent and its wildlife. She immediately fell in love with the beauty of the people, places and wildlife there, and she hopes the movement to ban ivory sales at the state level here in the United States will continue swiftly.

She feels indebted to the men and women who have died protecting Africa's most majestic creatures, and she is fuelled by their sacrifices to spread awareness and action here in the United States, which is, sadly, still today one of the leading markets for ivory. Ashley founded VermontForWildlife ([www.vermontforwildlife.org](http://www.vermontforwildlife.org)), an all-volunteer grassroots organization dedicated to educating and raising awareness about the importance of wildlife conservation through public policy and legislative action at the state level. Its mission is to inspire states to take a stand against extinction. After eight years of grassroots advocacy, VermontForWildlife was a key partner in making Vermont the 12th state in the nation to ban the sale of imperiled wildlife parts on October 8, 2020.



## TAMIKO KHALID-KHAN

Financial Operations Manager, Cambridge Associates, LLC

Tamiko lives near Revere Beach in Boston with her dogs, Moose and Mac. From dog walks to diving adventures, she is enamoured with the beauty and bounty of life within our natural world. And all too often while engaging with the natural world she's confronted with how poorly we can treat our world.

As an advisor for FON, she works to further our mission of protecting the natural world by making meaningful change today.

Day to day, at the investment management firm Cambridge Associates, she is responsible for the financial operations of her clients' portfolios.



## HENNING HEGLAND

Theatre Director, Producer, Entrepreneur

Henning has been working in the arts industry in New York and Europe as an artist, performer, and director since 1997. He has extensive experience in the not-for-profit sector as a founder and with positions on boards in the arts as well as within health and sports.

Henning's passion is for the sea, both on and under the waves. He is an avid diver and is committed to doing his part to increase awareness about environmental issues and protect the oceans.

Henning is a graduate of Middlebury College, Dartington College of Arts and Columbia University and is a recipient of awards and grants for his work, including the Wallenberg Award for promoting international understanding, as well as the Kurt Weill and Schubert Grants.





“At the end of the day, my mission is to show people what’s out there – diversity, beauty, fascinating behaviours, intelligence ... try to make them fall in love with fauna, flora and habitats – at the very least encourage them to care – but also highlight the terrible decline, threats and so on and mention some of the solutions and changes we can make in our own behaviours.”

Hussain Aga Khan



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