

THE ICCF GROUP

The ICCF Group is a small non-profit organization with several programs focused on international conservation and management of natural resources



THE ICCF GROUP - PARTNERS



THE ICCF GROUP - CAPABILITIES

➤ **1. Engaging political, private sector, and NGO leaders (CCN)**

Over the past 4 years, the ICCF Group has engaged parliaments in Africa, Latin America, soon Asia and the Caribbean

- Kenya
- Zambia
- Malawi
- Mozambique
- Botswana
- Uganda
- Colombia
- Peru and Mexico
- Others in Africa, soon probably Thailand and others in SE Asia, and Caribbean

2. Providing technical assistance by highly experienced conservation and other professionals (Conservation Corps + Global Parks)

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE – HOW IT WORKS

1. Contact by Government or NGO partner requesting assistance
2. Program team works with Gov. / NGO partner to understand and define need
3. Program team finds qualified experts to be part of technical assistance team
4. Technical assistance team travels to country to provide assistance (if funding is available)
5. Technical assistance trips usually last between 10 days – 21 days
6. Technical assistance projects can consist of 1 trip, or last over many years
7. Technical assistance teams usually conduct work and coordination before / after each trip
8. Sometimes assistance can take place without travel, by Skype / Email / Telephone
9. “Volunteers” are highly experienced practitioners usually with over 30 years experience

THE ICCF GROUP – TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- The Conservation Corps & Global Parks program is volunteer based and provides technical assistance to NGO and government partners, donating \$millions in services through projects in:
 - **Kenya** – Maasai Conservancy (land use strategy)
 - **Colombia** – support to national natural parks
 - **Haiti** – management plan for largest marine national park
 - **Bahamas** – various national park support and forest management
 - **Thailand** – support to most visited / oldest national park
 - **China** – various projects to support emerging national parks, including development of park system
 - **Mongolia** – scoping forest management / urban forest project
 - **St. Vincent and the Grenadines** – various park support
 - **Jamaica** – development of business plans for 5 national parks

COLOMBIA'S PROGRAM WITH NATIONAL NATURAL PARKS (PNN)

In Colombia we started in 2015 with an assessment team that initially worked with PNN staff from 3 parks and HQ and identified 4 priorities:

1. Planning
2. Interpretation
3. Training
4. Commercial Services



COLOMBIA – 15 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN



REFORMULATING THE PLAN “PEI”

- With from our planning team, the 15 year PNN strategic plan has been developed.
- Next Step: Implementation



COLOMBIA - INTERPRETATION



CHAIRAMA VISITOR CENTER EXHIBITION DESIGN

- Workshop on the Chairama Visitor Center at the Tayrona park.
- Designing exhibitions
- Interpretative framework
- Visitor Experience



AMACAYACU INTERPRETATION WORKSHOP

- Participative exercise with the communities
- Planning Interpretation
- Prioritizing areas of the park



AMACAYACU VISITOR CENTER EXHIBITION DESIGN

- Analyzing current capabilities
- Detailed Planning for Visitor Center
- Development of overall Visitor Experience



SUMMARY – LATIN AMERICA

- In Colombia, we have also started working on Training and Commercial Services
- We recently completed an initial assessment of how we can support national parks in Peru
- We are able to provide technical assistance in almost all aspects of managing protected areas and natural resources, including science based experts such as former Chief Scientist for the U.S. National Park Service
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