

What is ENACT?



The Enhancing Nature-based Solutions for Accelerated Climate Transformation (ENACT) Partnership, a key signatory of the COP 28 Joint Statement on Climate, Nature and People, is a coalition of state and non-state actors collaborating and building support for the **joint implementation of the Rio Conventions via integrated approaches** — specifically, NbS for climate change.



ENACT calls for **NbS to transcend traditional safeguarding**: NbS policies across international and national frameworks, must be designed to respect the most rigorous social and environmental safeguards, and furthermore, provide benefits to both people and nature.

ENACT's policy coherence proposals for supporting joint Rio Convention attainment via NbS



Aligning strategies: Following Rio COP Decisions on NbS (UNFCCC Decision 1/CP.27 , UNCBD Decision 16/22, UNCCD Decision 8/COP.15), governments should integrate clear, measurable NbS targets into national policy instruments across the Rio Conventions to help break silos and foster synergies between national plans and international processes in relation to NbS . For the CBD, this means embedding NbS targets into NBSAPs, focusing on ecosystem resilience and climate-cognisant biodiversity conservation — particularly leveraging KMGBF Targets 8 & 11 as entry points for deeper biodiversity and climate integration. NbS can be applied as a joint Rio Convention implementation approach, providing benefits across many sectors, including forestry, agriculture and urban development. Hence, commensurate targets should be incorporated in UNFCCC NDCs and national adaptation plans, including within sectoral implementation strategies for mitigation and resilience. Similarly, UNCCD should emphasise including NbS Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets in alignment with the LDN response hierarchy (avoid; reduce; reverse) to support land restoration and improve the health of biodiversity and ecosystem services.



Accelerating Finance: Scaling up financing for NbS is crucial. Therefore, countries should include mechanisms, tools or instruments for NbS financing in their respective national strategies and policies relating to the three conventions. An example of this is the German Federal Action Plan on Nature-based Solutions for Climate and Biodiversity (ANK), comprising measures and incentives for adapted economic approaches that contribute to nature-based climate action across society and provide long-term benefits that support joint Rio Convention attainment. In all instances, access to financing should be enhanced particularly to chronically underserved and marginalised groups. These measures should be achieved through additional funds and not compromise current financing.



Strengthening Governance: Effective NbS planning and implementation requires a whole-of-society approach, ensuring inclusive participation to foster benefits that span social, environmental, and economic interests and support the well-being of both people and nature. Therefore, the CBD should establish or strengthen existing stakeholder platforms that include representatives from Indigenous Peoples, local communities, women, youth, and other groups in vulnerable situations in NbS planning and decision-making. The UNFCCC should call for integrating inclusive governance practices into NDCs and adaptation plans, while the UNCCD should promote community-driven LDN initiatives, supporting equitable participation and benefit-sharing among all stakeholders.

ENACT's programmatic activities supporting policy coherence



Planning & Implementation Assistance: Supporting Partners' national policy and funding alignment and strengthening governance structures to foster policy coherence and integration across global biodiversity and climate frameworks through NbS. This includes supporting NDC/LT-LEDS/NAPs/NBSAPs implementation plans, institutional alignment and increased access to knowledge and finance.



Monitoring & Reporting: Providing an open-access platform for tracking progress toward global NbS goals and guiding direction on evidence-based policy on NbS.



Knowledge Generation & Leadership: Production of ENACT knowledge products, including State of NbS reports and policy papers, detailing progress on elevating the global NbS for climate change agenda and highlighting ENACT Partner successes in advancing NbS.