



SCIENCE AND
CONSERVATION EVENTS

FOSTERING COEXISTENCE BETWEEN PEOPLE AND WILDLIFE DURING GLOBAL CRISES

DATE

Tuesday 11 June 2024

TIME

6pm – 7:30pm

LOCATION

Huxley Lecture Theatre,
ZSL

Free to attend

Registration required



AGENDA

Nelly Musyoka

Community Liaison Officer, ZSL Kenya
&

Mahesh Basnet

Senior Programme Officer, ZSL Nepal

*For People, For Wildlife: Fostering coexistence
in Kenya and Nepal*

Dan Bucknell

Chief Operating Officer, Tusk Trust
&

Richard Granville

Programme Funding Manager, Ripple Effect

*Living With Wildlife – reflections on a
livelihoods / conservation partnership*

Mae Tortajada-Suils

Design and Impact Advisor, WWF-UK

*Land for life, strategies to reduce human
wildlife conflict*

Lena Jeha

Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning
Specialist, ZSL

*What Next For Society and Conservation: Key
Learnings Emerging Across the Sector*

Chaired by **Olivia Wilson Holt**

Human Wildlife Coexistence Projects
Manager, ZSL

BIOGRAPHIES

For People, For Wildlife: Fostering coexistence in Kenya and Nepal

Nelly Musyoka, ZSL Kenya

Nelly is a dedicated community developer who champions for community-led conservation. With a heart ignited by a fervent dedication to preserving nature, she has become a beacon of hope in her community and beyond. Through her tireless efforts, she has empowered local communities to take ownership of their natural heritage, fostering sustainable practices and harmonious coexistence with wildlife. Nelly's vision extends beyond mere protection; she envisions a future where humans and nature thrive in symbiotic balance. Her conservation roles, rooted in empathy and pragmatism, inspires others to join her noble cause, ensuring a legacy of conservation for generations to come.

Mahesh Basnet, ZSL Nepal

Mahesh is the Senior Programme Officer in ZSL's Nepal country office, where he is responsible for planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating ZSL-implemented projects. Mahesh works to coordinate with relevant government agencies, buffer zone management committees and other partners to ensure effective collaboration. With almost nine years of work experience in the development field, Mahesh has been

involved in managing projects based largely on natural resource management, climate change adaptation, child development and livelihoods with the objective of development.

Living With Wildlife – reflections on a livelihoods / conservation partnership

Dan Bucknell, Tusk Trust

Dan began working in conservation in Cameroon, first at the Limbe Wildlife Centre in 2000, and then as a research assistant for the Cross River Gorilla Research Programme in 2002. From 2002-2009 he worked for the Gorilla Organization, initially as Grants Manager, and then as Regional Programme Manager. From 2009- 2014 he was Head of Conservation and Campaigns at Elephant Family, from where he joined Tusk ten years ago where he is now Chief Operating Officer.

Richard Granville, Ripple Effect

Richard is the Programme Funding Manager for Ripple Effect (formerly Send a Cow) and is based in Bath. He leads a team of three institutional fundraisers, overseeing proposal development and contract management for a growing portfolio of donors including Jersey Overseas Aid, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), and the Isle of Man Government, working closely with colleagues in Africa. He has worked for Ripple Effect for 8 years, and before that, in

a range of fundraising roles across the charity sector.

Land for life, strategies to reduce human wildlife conflict

Mae Tortajada-Suils, WWF-UK

***Mae** is a veterinarian by profession, as well as being a development expert and conservationist. Mae has been working in Africa for 14 years and now is based in the UK, working for WWF UK. Her current role includes supporting the design, monitoring and impact of conservation projects and programs across the world with a particular focus in Africa.*

in community-led conservation initiatives within the sector, specialising in assessing multidimensional wellbeing and governance dynamics to ensure effective, inclusive conservation.

What Next for Society and Conservation: Key Learnings Emerging Across the Sector

Lena Jeha, ZSL

***Lena** is an interdisciplinary, mixed-methods conservationist at ZSL, passionate about generating and utilising evidence to enhance our field programmes. She leads and supports data collection and assimilation efforts from ZSL's in situ conservation efforts worldwide. With over 15 years of experience bridging research and practice, Lena's expertise lies in impact evaluation science, where she uses various study designs to determine what works, where, and why, to inform adaptive management strategies on the ground. Guided by a deep commitment to equity and justice, Lena is particularly interested*

EVENT FORMAT

- This event will take place in the Huxley Lecture Theatre and will be filmed and published on our Science and Conservation YouTube channel (zsl.org/IOZYouTube). Please be aware, by attending you consent to being recorded during the Q&A session.
- Seats are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Before attending, please read our Code of Conduct found [here](#).
- The event will run from 6-7:30pm
- It will consist of short presentations from the speakers, followed by a Q&A and panel discussion.
- To submit a question to a speaker prior to the event, please send it to scientific.events@zsl.org. Please be aware we may not be able to answer all questions.
- There is no charge for this event, but registration is required.

COMING UP

While the 2023-24 programme of Science and Conservation Events has come to a close, we will be returning in **September 2024**. Keep an eye on the What's On pages of our website to find out more.

www.zsl.org/science/whats-on

In the meantime...

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