

Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection

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Our mission

The Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection aims to promote the protection, conservation and sustainable use of ecosystems and it's living organisms, wherever these are threatened or under pressure outside the Netherlands.

Our vision

We, as board of the Foundation, are concerned about life on earth, the well-being and maintenance of the variety of living organisms and their living environment. Human beings play a crucial role as actor and factor in biodiversity. We see people as instrumental in mitigating the pressures of global change on the living environment and biodiversity.

Our long-term objectives

Based on the estate of Pieter Gerbrand van Tienhoven, we aim to:

- 1. make small grants available in order to finance direct actions that lead to change in policy and practice. This is especially the case for those ecosystems and its living organisms that are threatened or under pressure outside the Netherlands;
- 2. promote knowledge into the causes of threats and pressures on nature, in order to generate concrete actions that halt, counteract or mitigate these causes;
- 3. influence and collaborate with governmental, non-governmental organisations, communities, individuals, and other relevant stakeholders for the sake of the conservation of nature.

The foundation focuses on objective 1, the primary process of the foundation. Objectives 2 and 3 are executed through strategic relationships and through membership of IUCN.

Grant making: financing international projects on protection of nature

Annually, the board provides approximately \in 200.000 per year in grants, based on revenues of an endowment capital of about \in 4M. The board of the foundation strives to optimise capital revenue and make grants at the most economic costs in order to maximize the amount of funds available for the delivery of small grants.

The board ensures that capital of the foundation itself is invested sustainably to ensure optimum balance between revenue for grant making and capital investment that benefits nature and social justice.

Since the Van Tienhoven Foundation receives far more applications than it is able to finance, the board applies *eligibility criteria* and *criteria for assessment*'.

Eligibility criteria 2022

The Van Tienhoven Foundation makes use of eligibility criteria to determine whether applications can proceed to the assessment phase. If these criteria are not met, the application is identified as non-eligible for receiving funds. In 2022 we only accepted applications:

- From not-for-profit organisations, that are registered as legal bodies (NGOs and scientific institutions). We don't accept applications from government bodies, private companies or individuals.
- Only one application per organisation will be taken into consideration for each call for proposals. If an organisation has been given a grant before, a final report must have been submitted for any project previously supported by the Van Tienhoven Foundation. An organisation can be supported for a maximum of three times within eight years.
- From organisations with a track record in species protection, ecosystem protection and/or community managed nature protection, that can be demonstrated by background documentation (e.g. websites, social media, annual and/or final project delivery reports).
- Implemented in developing countries, predominantly following the most recent DAC list of ODA recipients.
- With costs based on local rates. Costs of salaries and consultancy fees based on rates outside
 the countries of implementation are not covered. Travel costs (from) outside the countries of
 implementation are not covered. The purchase of vehicles (e.g. cars, boats) is not supported.
 We do not support overhead costs.
- Where actions are not part of a study leading to any academic title and/or aimed at delivering a book.
- Of projects that have not started yet at the time of submission and with a project time span of two years maximum.
- Projects requesting a maximum budget of €10,000 euro from the Van Tienhoven Foundation and a total project budget of no more than €50,000 euro. Applicants have to indicate co-funding in the budget if applicable. If projects are to be co-sponsored by the Van Tienhoven Foundation, a financing plan has to be added which includes incontestable evidence of subsidies already applied for and awarded by other organisations.
- That are submitted before the designated submission deadline and that contain a completely filled out online application form of the Van Tienhoven Foundation.

Criteria for assessment 2021

Once the eligibility criteria are met, the Van Tienhoven Foundation uses the following assessment criteria and prioritizes projects that:

1. Focus on threatened species and ecosystems and/or key biodiversity areas.

- 2. Aim to counter the human-induced causes for these threats, in order to have maximum conservation impact.
- 3. Are practical, hands-on and directly applicable in order to generate change.
- 4. Are initiated, owned or widely supported by local stakeholders, in order to ensure sustainability.
- 5. Are exemplary for a wider problem, serve as a catalyst for raising awareness and engaging other stakeholders.
- 6. Create leverage and can demonstrate that small grants and individual efforts can make a difference.

We prioritise actions that lead to direct change in policy and practice.

Funded projects in 2022

The Van Tienhoven Foundation received a total of 298 applications of which 233 were considered 'eligible' after application of the eligibility criteria, and 65 applications were non-eligible.

The 233 eligible projects have been pre-assessed by 3 members of the board. This resulted in a longlist of 59 proposals. These have been reviewed by three board members and by external thematic and regional experts of IUCN Netherlands Committee by scoring according to the 'criteria for assessment'. The results of this intense review process led to 23 shortlisted projects which were contacted for referees and additional questions. As a result of this process 21 projects have been finally selected by the board for financing, resulting in a total amount of €192.455,- of financed projects in 2022:

COUNTRY	PROJECT	ORANISATION	AMOUNT
Uganda	Restoration is the sustainability frontier for people, parks, and wildlife	Uganda Conservation Foundation	€9.960,-
India	Community Led Regeneration of Himalayan Oak Forest in India	HIMAD SAMITI	€10.000,-
Nepal	Community based conservation of Chinese pangolin in Gaurishankar Conservation Area	National Trust for Nature Conservation	€9.045,-
Indonesia	Protection of conservation area (in site) of endemic spesies named Maleo (Macrocephalon maleo) in customary forest – Kasiala, Central Sulawesi	Yayasan Merah Putih Sulawesi Tengah	€10.000,-
South Africa	Non-breeding movements of endangered Benguela seabirds: the missing link in effective at-sea conservation measures	BirdLife South Africa	€9.978,-

Guatamala	Community led conservation and management of endangered scalloped hammerhead nursery areas	Fundacion Mundo Azul (Blue World Foundation)	€10.000,-
Namibia	Monitoring and supporting the protection of the Key 1 black rhino population in the Kunene and Erongo Regions of Namibia	Save the Rhino Trust	€9.000,-
India	Restoration of threatened/vulnerable plant species in Palani hills, Tamil Nadu	Palni Hills Conservation Council(PHCC)	€10.000,-
Kenya	Indian Ocean Humpback Dolphin Conservation	Watamu Marine Association	€7.000,-
Georgia	Investigation and conservation of the cave dwelling invertebrates, their habitats and education of local communities on the cave conservation in Racha karst massif	Ilia State university	€9.980,-
Argentina	Protecting Argentinas Sierras de Chani, a Remaining Safe Haven for Taruca	Fundacion Naturaleza Argentina	€10.000,-
Nepal	In-situ conservation of Platanista gangetica in Koshi Tappu Wildlife Reserve Buffer Zone Area	Biodiversity Conservation Center Nepal	€10.000,-
Ecuador	A women-led sustainable project based on native bee products: Sweet conservation in the Ecuadorian lowland Chocó forest	Fundacion Reserva Tesoro Escondido	€ 7.161,46
Peru-Chile	Solving human-raptor conflicts to protect the endangered Black-and-chestnut Eagle (Spizaetus isidori) in the Andean cloud forests of Peru	Fundación Ñankulafkén	€10.000,-
Costa Rica	Ending Poaching to Help Recover Critically Endangered Yellow-naped mazon Parrots in Costa Rica	Macaw Recovery Network	€9.939,-
Bolivia	Conservation of the Bolivian river dolphin and environmental stewardship by fishers in the upper Mamoré River	Faunagua	€8.350
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Protection of critically endangered fan mussel Pinna nobilis Linnaeus, 1758: conservation and distribution of last population worldwide	Center for marine and freshwater biology Sharklab ADRIA	€ 7.313

Peru	Qota Kaysay: Living Lake community bird conservation	Asociacion para la Conservacion de la Biodiversidad PRO CARNIVOROS	€ 9.020
India	Developing cost-effective and non-invasive wildlife monitoring technology for threatened carnivores.	Malabar Awareness and Rescue Centre for Wildlife	€ 6.199
Lebanon	Community-led protection of the endangered Cilician Fir tree	American University of Beirut - Nature Conservation Center (AUB-NCC)	€ 9.500
Tunisia	SOS Turtles Network In Kerkennah	Association Jeunes Science Kerkennah	€ 10.000

Board

In 2022 the board consisted of the following members:

- Olaf Bánki (Chair)
- Roelof Koch (Treasurer)
- Ellen Hendrix (Secretary)
- Christiaan van der Hoeven
- Mark Teunissen (until 17-06-2022)
- Maryse Diekman (until 30-9-2022)
- Iris van der Meer (as of 1-10-2022)

The board met at least two times in 2022.

Assistant to the Board, Danielle Klinge, supported the board in the registration, assessment and selection process of the submitted project applications. She also supported in contracting the final selected projects.

Accounting office WFA is assigned to make the annual report in close cooperation with the treasurer.

Financial Report

Per December 31st, 2022, the total assets of the foundation are € 3.342.992 which is a decrease of 19,4% in comparison to December 31st, 2021.

For a summary of the Financial Report 2021 of the Van Tienhoven Foundation: See Annex A (Balance sheet) and Annex B (Profit & Loss).

The board of Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection.

Annex A

The Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection

Balance sheet as per December 31 *Euros*

<u>Assets</u>

	31-12-2022	31-12-2021	31-12-2020
Other receivables	0	0	114
Securities	3.252.334	3.957.625	3.819.462
Liquid assets	90.658	190.429	185.070
TOTAL ASSETS	3.342.992	4.148.054	4.004.646

Liabilities

	31-12-2022	31-12-2021	31-12-2020
Equity	3.338.362	4.140.735	3.997.065
Trade creditors	-	-	1.210
Other liabilities	4.630	7.319	6.371
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3.342.992	4.148.054	4.004.646

Annex B

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Profit & Loss Euros

	Actual	Actual	Actual
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Revenues			
Securities and bonds	-566.714	378.858	200.035
Subsidies en awards	-192.445	-191.610	-215.421
TOTAL REVENUES	-759.159	187.248	-15.386
Expenses			
Personnel costs	6.655	9.786	7.804
Office expenses (inc. new website)	8.701	6.081	15.148
General expenses	860	550	847
TOTAL EXPENSES	16.216	16.417	23.799
Financial benefits and expenses			
Interest income	-4	-	-118
Financial costs (incl. private banking fee)	27.002	27.161	26.780
TOTAL	26.998	27.161	26.662
NET RESULT	-802.373	143.670	-65.847