



UNITED NATIONS DECADE ON  
**ECOSYSTEM  
RESTORATION**  
2021-2030

# **UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021- 2030**

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# THE RESTORATIVE CONTINUUM

Improving biodiversity, ecological integrity,  
and ecosystem services



**REDUCING  
SOCIAL  
IMPACTS**

**IMPROVING  
ECOSYSTEM  
MANAGEMENT**

**REPAIRING  
ECOSYSTEM  
FUNCTION**

**INITIATING  
NATIVE  
RECOVERY**

**PARTIALLY  
RECOVERING  
NATIVE  
ECOSYSTEMS**

**FULLY  
RECOVERING  
NATIVE  
ECOSYSTEMS**

REDUCED IMPACTS

REMEDIATION

REHABILITATION

ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION



Gann et al 2019.



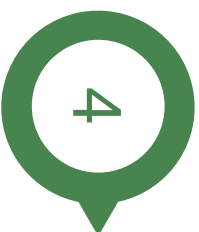
## Consistency of Approach – Principles of Ecosystem Restoration



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Inclusive and participatory governance, social fairness, and equity



**Addresses drivers of ecosystem degradation**



Is based on well-defined short- and long-term ecological and socioeconomic objectives and goals.



Includes a continuum of restorative activities.



Incorporates **all types of knowledge** and promotes their exchange throughout the process.



Monitoring, evaluation, and **adaptive management** throughout



Aims to achieve the highest level of recovery possible for ecosystem health and human wellbeing.



Tailored to the local context, while considering other scales and contexts



Integrates policies and measures to ensure long-term success



# Communities of Action for Scale



- +17,000 volunteer experts
- +160 countries
- +120 thematic/specialist areas
- +1,400 Members



Agro-Ecosystems



Arctic



Coastal and Marine



Deep Sea Mining



Desert and Oasis



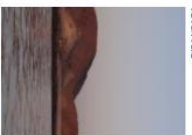
Dryland



Forests



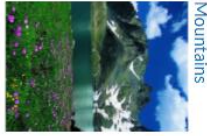
Holarctic Steppes



Islands



Mediterranean



Mountains



Peatlands



# The Decade Science Taskforce



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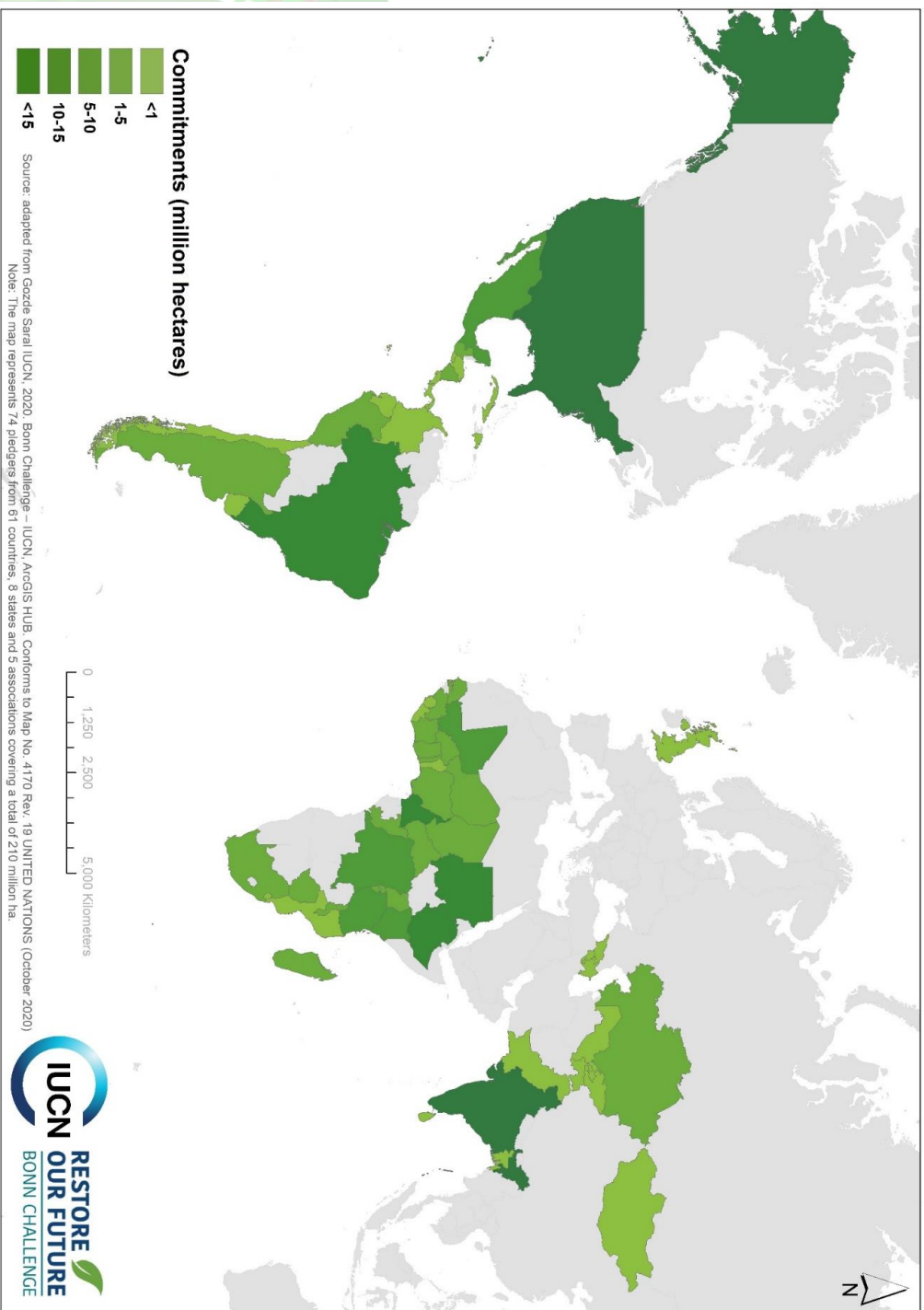
**RESTORE  
OUR FUTURE**  
BONN CHALLENGE

Since 2011  
**74** countries, states  
and associations  
have taken up the  
**Bonn Challenge.**

**210 million ha**  
committed to the world's largest  
forest landscape restoration  
initiative.

**Forest landscape restoration (FLR)**

- Natural regeneration
- Silviculture
- Agroforestry
- Planted forest and woodlots
- Improved fallow
- Mangrove restoration
- Watershed protection and erosion control





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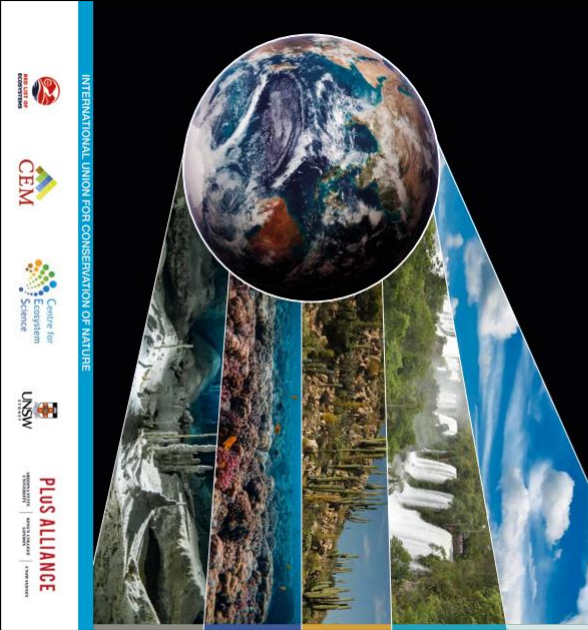
# Scientific Leadership – Consistency across Ecosystems



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**IUCN Global Ecosystem Typology 2.0**  
 Descriptive profiles for biomes and ecosystem functional groups  
 David A. Keith, Jose R. Ferrer-Paris, Emily Nicholson and Richard T. Kingsford (editors)



## RED LIST OF ECOSYSTEMS



Structure of the IUCN Red List of Ecosystems categories.





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