



Join CORNET: The CI Corridors Network



Act to Conserve Landscapes!



Conservation International recently launched CORNET, a brand-new email discussion list on conservation within corridors or landscapes. Membership is open to anyone working on landscape-scale conservation issues, giving you access to a network of like-minded colleagues from a diverse range of backgrounds.

CORNET members can ask questions of other members, be the first to hear about new publications and events, gain insights into relevant issues, share updates and opinions, and promote their own work, publications and conferences. CORNET is intended as an open space to express opinions freely and to foster innovative, emerging ideas.

Postings to the main list can be on any subject relevant to conservation corridors – covering a variety of design, planning and implementation issues, ranging from specific sites to national policies. Topics may include biodiversity targets, landscape ecology, economics and development, spatial planning, community livelihoods, climate change mitigation and adaptation, etc.

Online Discussions

A program of targeted sub-groups and online meetings is also being planned over the next year, allowing smaller subgroups of people to have more detailed discussions on specific, topical issues. The proposed topics include:

- Corridor Definition: Can we identify general principles for corridor delineation?

- Climate Adaptation: Can corridors play a role in building resilience to climate change?
- Freshwater and hydrology: How can we design the land use and conservation mosaic within corridors to help protect watersheds, ecosystem services and freshwater biodiversity?
- Payments for Ecosystem Services (PES): Sharing field experiences of PES and developing lessons for the future
- Human Well-being: Do corridors deliver human well-being benefits? How should we work with development groups and businesses in corridors?

Publications

Recent publications which were shared first on CORNET include:

- “Landscape-scale planning: Executive proceedings of workshop proceedings: Cebu, Philippines, January 9-13, 2008” (CI, 2008)
- “South-South Exchange: Bolivia, Peru, Madagascar, South Africa & China: Results, Lessons and Actions” (CI, 2008)
- “Corridor Learning Initiative: transboundary conservation and sustainable development in the Andes: Lessons learned from four conservation corridors” (CI, 2007)



CORNET Resources

There are presently over 140 members of CORNET, including both CI staff and external partners, in over 30 countries.

In addition, CI's Corridors Learning Portal provides an extensive library, news about current projects and a Members Directory. See <http://corridors.conservation.org>. For full access, please contact us to get a log-in ID.



CORNET will also be the forum for follow-up discussions on questions and problems that arise in the “*Making landscapes work for nature and people: Successes and Challenges from the field*” session in Barcelona.

Want to join?

We always welcome new members – please write to k.pettyjohn@conservation.org to request membership.



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