

IUCN Conservation Outlook Assessments -

Acknowledgements

List of acronyms

AZE

CMP

COM

EOH

GIS

IBA

ICCROM

ICOMOS

IPA

IUCN

NGO

OUV

PA

SOC

SoOUV

SP

Overview

Conservation Outlook Assessment Worksheets

Background on IUCN Conservation Outlook Assessments

- o What are Conservation Outlook Assessments?

- o A standardized methodology

Worksheets for Conservation Outlook Assessments

Section 1: Guidelines for Conservation Outlook Assessments

Consultation:

Step 1: Identifying and describing values - Worksheet 1:

Step 2: Assessing threats - Worksheets 2(a) and 2(b):

Threat, High Threat, Very High Threat Data Deficient

Very Low Threat, Low

Step 3: Assessing protection and management – Worksheet 3:

Data Deficient

Highly Effective, Effective, Some Concern, Serious Concern

Step 4: Assessing the current state and trend of values - Worksheet 4:

Good, Low Concern, High Concern, Critical

Data Deficient

Step 5: Assessing Conservation Outlook – Worksheet 5:

Significant Concern, Critical, Data Deficient

Good, Good with some concern,

Section 2: Guidelines for associated tables

Step 6: Summarizing key conservation issues – Worksheet 6:

Step 7: Understanding benefits – Worksheet 7:

Step 8: Compiling active conservation projects and project needs – Worksheet 8:

Step 9: References – Worksheet 9:

1.1 What are Conservation Outlook Assessments?

IUCN Conservation Outlook Assessments are a projection of the potential for a natural World Heritage site to conserve its values over time

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CONSERVATION OUTLOOK CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA

Good:

Information Sources

World Heritage documentation,
Management Plans and
Effectiveness Evaluations and
other site documents



Section 1:

Step 1: Identifying and describing values -

Box 1.1: World Heritage criteria for natural sites

Criterion (vii)

Criterion (viii)

o Statements of Outstanding Universal Value

Describing values

Finalizing the list of values

Step 2: Assessing threats -

Checklist of threats

Step 3: Assessing protection and management –

- o Transboundary, transnational and serial sites

“In the case of serial properties, management system or mechanisms for ensuring the coordinated management of the separate components are essential”

- o Sites affected by conflict

Effectiveness of protection and management in addressing threats outside the site:

Assessing the overall state of protection and management

Best-practice example:

Table 3.2: Standards for protection and management topics

Standards	Links to topics covered in Periodic Reporting questionnaires
Relationships with local people	
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<i>f</i>	
<i>f</i>	
<i>f</i>	
<i>f</i>	
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Standards

Links to topics covered in
Periodic Reporting
questionnaires

Management system

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Step 4: Assessing the current state and trend of values

Step 5: Assessing Conservation Outlook

Definition:

Critical, Data Deficient

Good, Good with some concerns, Significant Concern

Table 5.1: Conservation Outlook ratings

Rating	Criteria
Good	
Good with some concerns	
Significant Concern	

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Section 2:

Step 6: Summarizing key conservation issues

Avoid making recommendations

Prioritize:

Note the scale of conservation issues:

For transboundary/transnational sites

Step 7: Understanding benefits

1. Identify benefits using the checklist

Link between values and benefits:

Intangible benefits:

Intrinsic benefits:

Feedback on maximizing benefits:

Step 9: References

Note: If referencing grey literature and websites please give the year that the data was compiled if possible

- o Books: How is your MPA doing? A Guidebook of Natural and Social Indicators for Evaluating Marine Protected Areas Management Effectiveness.
- o Chapter or extract from a book (

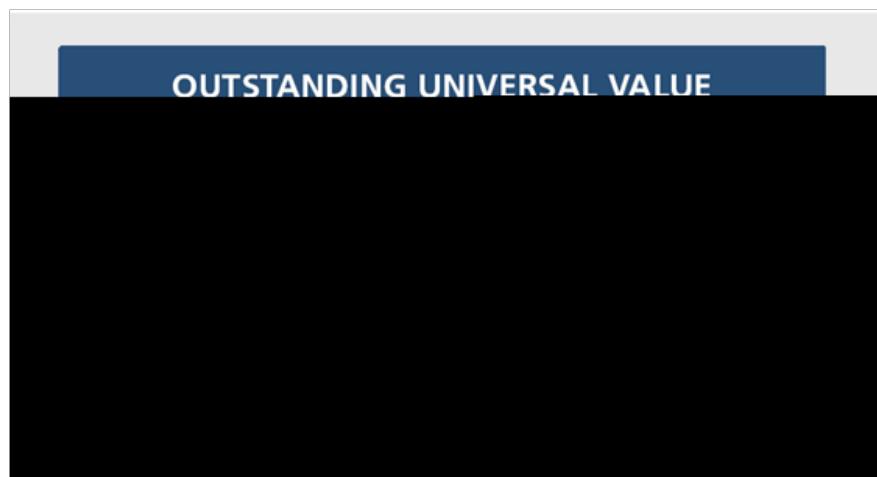
Glossary

- o Boundary:

- o **Integrity**
a measure of the wholeness and intactness of the natural and/or cultural heritage and its values. Examining the conditions of integrity, therefore requires assessing the extent to which: a) the site includes all elements necessary to express its OUV; b) is of adequate size to ensure the complete representation of the features and processes which convey the significance; c) suffers from adverse effects of development and/or neglect
- o **Management effectiveness:**
- o **Management plan:**

- o **Other important biodiversity values**

- o **Outstanding Universal Value**
"...natural significance which is so exceptional as to transcend national boundaries and to be of common importance for present and future generations of all humanity. As such, the permanent protection of this heritage is of the highest importance to the international community as a whole."



- o Threats within and outside a site

Annex 1: Annotated list of information sources

- o Confidential Consultation Forms:
- o Designation information
- o GIS and remote sensing imagery:

