

The Global Partnership for Plant Conservation

The Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC) was adopted by the Convention on Biological Diversity in April 2002. The objective of the GSPC is to halt the current and continuing loss of plant diversity. The GSPC includes 16 outcome-orientated targets to be achieved by 2010.

The Global Partnership for Plant Conservation (GPPC) is a voluntary initiative that brings together international, regional and national organizations in order to contribute to the implementation of the GSPC. The GPPC was launched on Friday 13th February 2004 during the 7th CBD COP meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Aims of the Partnership

The partnership provides a framework to bring together existing initiatives for plant conservation, allowing gaps to be identified and promoting mobilization of the necessary resources

Founding members of the Partnership

- BioNET International
- Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI)
- Earthwatch
- Fauna and Flora International (FFI)
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF)
- Global Invasive Species Programme (GISP)
- International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (IPGRI)
- IUCN - The World Conservation Union - Species Survival Commission
- King's Park and Botanic Gardens, Australia
- Missouri Botanical Garden, St Louis, U.S.A.
- South African National Biodiversity Institute, South Africa (SANBI)
- People and Plants International (PPI)
- Plantlife International and Planta Europa
- Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, U.K.
- Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh, U.K.
- Smithsonian Institution Natural History Museum, Washington D.C., U.S.A.
- UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC)
- World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF)
- WWF International (WWF)

National dimensions

A major objective of the Partnership is to provide practical assistance, support and technical guidance for national implementation of the GSPC. Relevant organisations are invited to participate in and support the work of the Partnership at all levels. Please contact the GPPC Secretariat for further information.

Activities of the Partnership

Activities supported or organized by the Partnership have included

- Translations of the GSPC brochure, (Chinese, French, Russian, Spanish);
- Support for development of national plant conservation strategies;
- Regional training courses for plant conservation;
- Development of GSPC-related 2010 targets at national and other levels (e.g. for botanic gardens);
- Defining criteria for designating Important Areas for Plant Diversity;
- Developing proposals at national and regional level for conservation and sustainable use of threatened plant species and their habitats;
- Work towards completing a working list of all known plant species;
- Establishment of networks (e.g. European network of seed banks for the conservation of wild species);
- Public awareness and education initiatives.

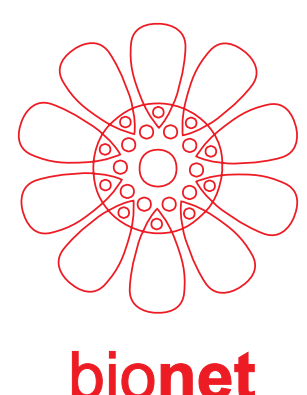
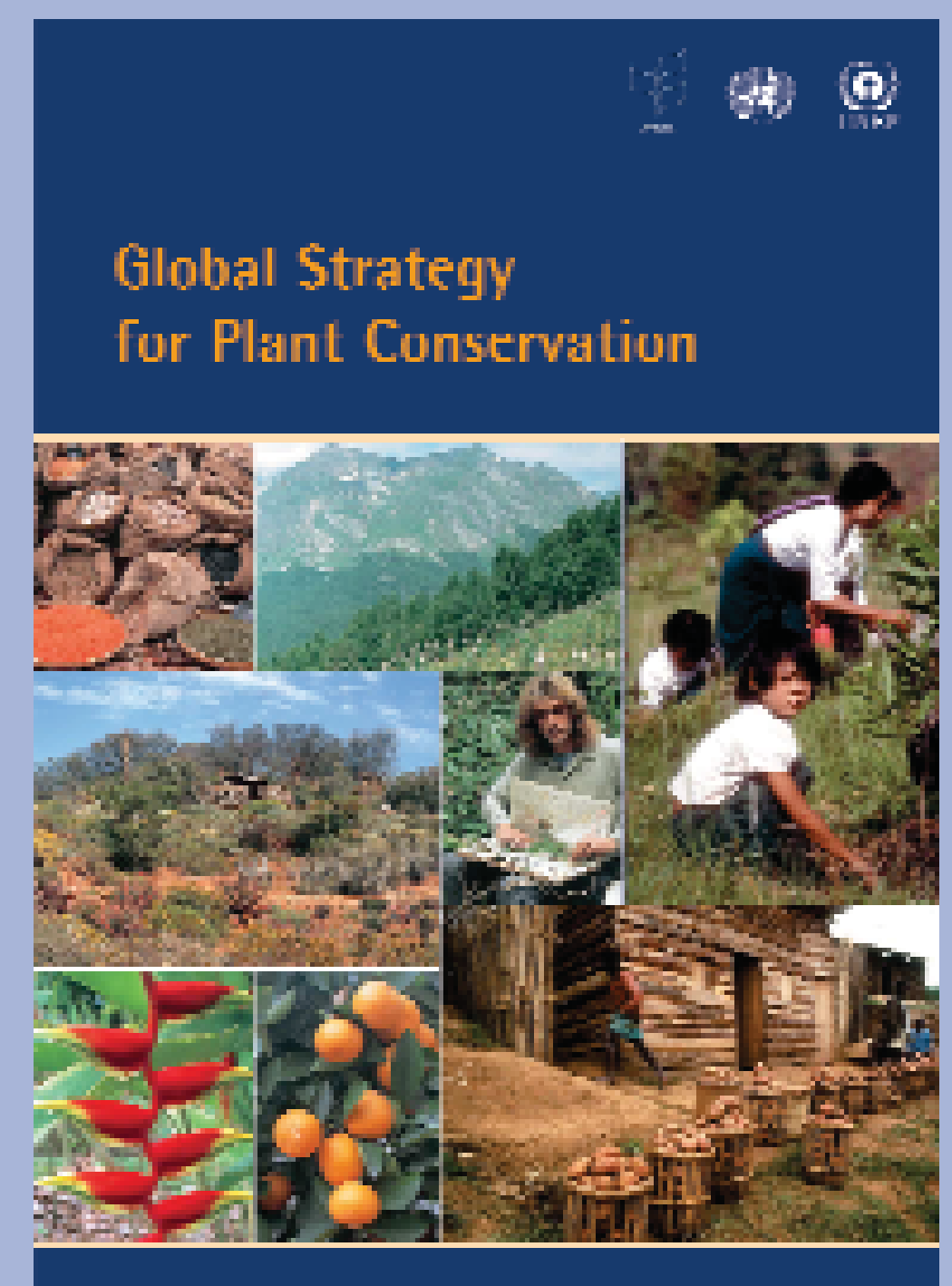
Since its establishment, the members of the Partnership have also assisted in the implementation of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation through their own programmes.

A Secretariat for the Partnership is being hosted by Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI), and is supported by HSBC through the Investing in Nature programme.

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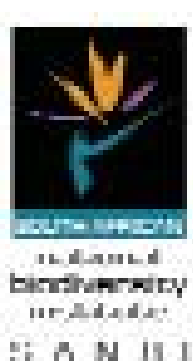
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