

Data Contributor Agreement

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On behalf of *[insert Ministry/Agency/Department name]*, I/we the undersigned (the data provider) are providing the following dataset to UNEP-WCMC for integration into the World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA): *[insert name of dataset]*. This may include protected areas and/or other effective area-based conservation measures. The dataset includes spatial boundaries and attributes relating to *[insert name of country/region/etc.]*.

Brief description of the data (including the format of the data, number of polygons and points, and any other relevant information):

The WDPA is an aggregated dataset of the best available data from many sources. It is a joint product of UN Environment and IUCN, managed by UNEP-WCMC. It is used for multiple conservation purposes, as well as providing support to the Convention on Biological Diversity and the United Nations relating to environmental sustainability, and reporting on progress towards internationally-agreed environmental targets.

Unless otherwise stated, this dataset is being provided ‘free of restrictions’¹. We, the undersigned, agree and understand that by providing data for inclusion in the WDPA it will be viewable and downloadable in accordance with the WDPA Terms and Conditions through websites operated by UNEP-WCMC and IUCN, utilised for analyses, and re-distributed to third parties for use on other platforms¹.

UNEP-WCMC will recognize and respect the intellectual property rights of the data provider and will maintain proper attribution to the Ministry/Agency/Department named above, and source information on the data as provided to UNEP-WCMC.

UNEP-WCMC will retain information on the name and contact details of the data provider (personal data) for the purposes of future correspondence, including queries relating to the data, and requests for updated data. UNEP-WCMC will not share personal data with third parties. UNEP-WCMC’s privacy policy (<https://www.unep-wcmc.org/terms-and-conditions>) outlines in more detail how it implements relevant data protection legislation.

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I/we hereby give permission to UNEP-WCMC for the integration of these data into the WDPA.

Signature

Title and name

Date