

# SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE (SDI) FOR ADDRESSING HUMAN-NATURE CONFLICTS IN THE SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA REGION

A conceptual framework for building an evidence based solution to Address the problem and to meet SDGs



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## INTRODUCTION OF RESTEC

Company Name Head Quarter Established Employees Purposes

- : Remote Sensing Technology Center of Japan
- : Tokyo, Japan
- : August 1, 1975
- : 259 staff (as of Jan 1, 2022)
- To research and study on remote sensing
  To develop technologies of remote sensing
  To promote utilization of remote sensing

## Our Products:

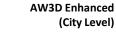


AW3D Standard

(Global Level)



◆AW3D (Digital Elevation Model)



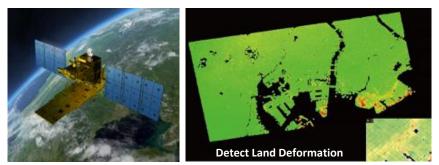


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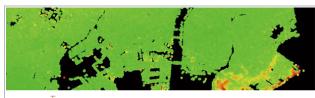
(Building Foot Print)

#### ◆ALOS-2

(Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency's SAR Satellite:



## APPLICATION



#### Infrastructure

Detecting Dangerous Spots in Social Infrastructure in their early stages



#### Ocean

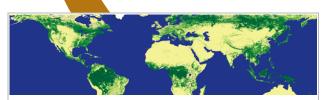
Surveying Wider Areas of Global Oceans and Smaller Localized Areas of Ocean





#### Agriculture

Using Satellite Data to Vitalize Agriculture and Solve the Problem of Food Shortages



Infrastructure



Japan's Top Professionals Monitor Forests around the World from Space



#### Disaster

Disaster

Minimizing Flood Damage by Ascertaining the Movement, Spread and Amount of Water







#### GEO-SPATIAL TECHNOLOGY TO MONITOR PRESSING BIODIVERSITY PROBLEMS

Supporting global implementation of SDG 9, 15 and SDG 16

#### SDG 9

Helping to build resilient infrastructure, promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization, and fostering innovation

## SDG 15



Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests and halt biodiversity loss

#### SDG 16

Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development

# Human-wildlife Conflict is a major problem in Sub-Saharan Africa

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# Poaching continues to be a challenge in Sub-Saharan Africa

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## Conflicts between indigenous people, pastoral and Agro-pastoral communities

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Dar es Salaam

Moderator: Dr. Remi Chandran, Researcher, United Nations University & Chief Policy Advisor of Wildlife Enforcement Monitoring System Initiative. Panelists: Ms Maria Mutagamba, Minister of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities of Uganda; Mr.Kunio Mikuriya, Secretary-General of the World Customs Organization; Ms. Elizabeth Mrema, Executive Secretary CBD, Dr. Ng Chong, Director, Campus computing, United Nations University; Prof. Robert Hoppe- University of Twente; Vivek Menon Executive Director Wildlife Trust of India.

#### Science-Policy Forums to address the challenges related to information sharing on Human-Nature Conflicts Pan-African Conference

Strengthening Information Sharing Infrastructure and Governance Frameworks to Address Human-Nature Conflicts - Arusha- Tanzania, June 17-19, 2019



The distinguished delegation included Hon. Dr. Hamisi A. Kigwangalla (MP)-Minister for Natural Resources and Tourism; His Excellency Mr. Shinichi Goto, Ambassador of Japan; Ms. Jenny CORREIA NUNES Head of Section, EU Delegation to Tanzania; UNDP Resident Representative of Tanzania; Permanent Secretary of MNRT, Director of MNRT and President of RESTEC.

#### Science-Policy Forums to address the challenges related to information sharing on Human-Nature Conflicts TICAD -7 Side Event

Strengthening Information Sharing Infrastructure and Governance Frameworks to Address Human-Nature Conflicts



TICAD -7 Side Event Strengthening Information Sharing Infrastructure and Governance Frameworks to Address Human-Nature Conflicts

> A high level panel of experts attended the side event organised by Lusaka Agreement Task Force (LATF) supported by RESTEC





His Excellency, Félix Tshisekedi President of Democratic Republic of Congo



Prof. Chiho Watanabe President , NIES Japan



Dr. Aloyce Nzuki ,Permanent Secretary of MNRT, Republic of Tanzania



Dr. Midori Paxton, Head of Ecosystems and Biodiversity, UNDP

#### The Governing Council of Parties to the Lusaka Agreement Task Force - 11th March 2022.



Ambassador of Japan to Zambia, H.E. Mr. Ryuta Mizuuchi, Speaking on the occasion of the Governing Council of LATF



Mr. Evans Muhanga, Permanent Secretary at Ministry of Tourism, speaking on the occasion

#### The Governing Council of Parties to the Lusaka Agreement Task Force - 11th March 2022.



The Governing Council approved the decision to develop a Spatial Data Infrastructure or a regional information command and control center (CCC) as envisioned in the outcomes of the Pan African Conference on "Strengthening Information Sharing Infrastructure and Governance Framework to Address Human-Nature Conflicts" held in June 2019 in Arusha, Tanzania and the TICAD-7 Side Event held in August 2019, in Yokohama, Japan



#### **Official Side Event**

Spatial Data Infrastructure for Addressing Data Gaps for resolving Human-Nature Conflicts and Meeting Sustainable Development Goals in Africa











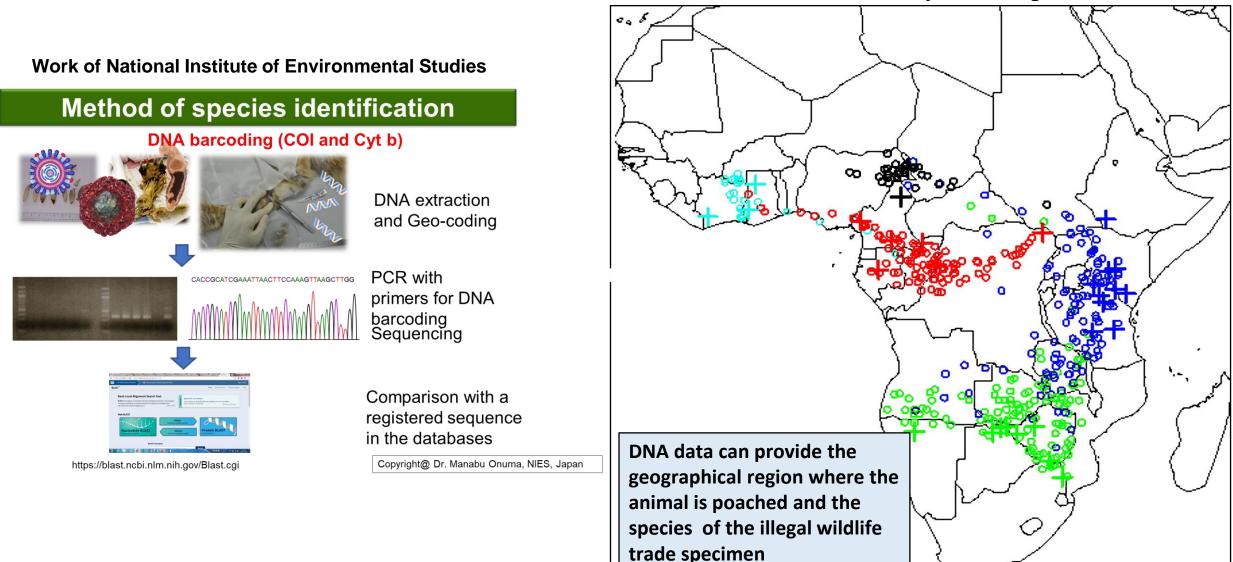


Digital Earth AFRICA





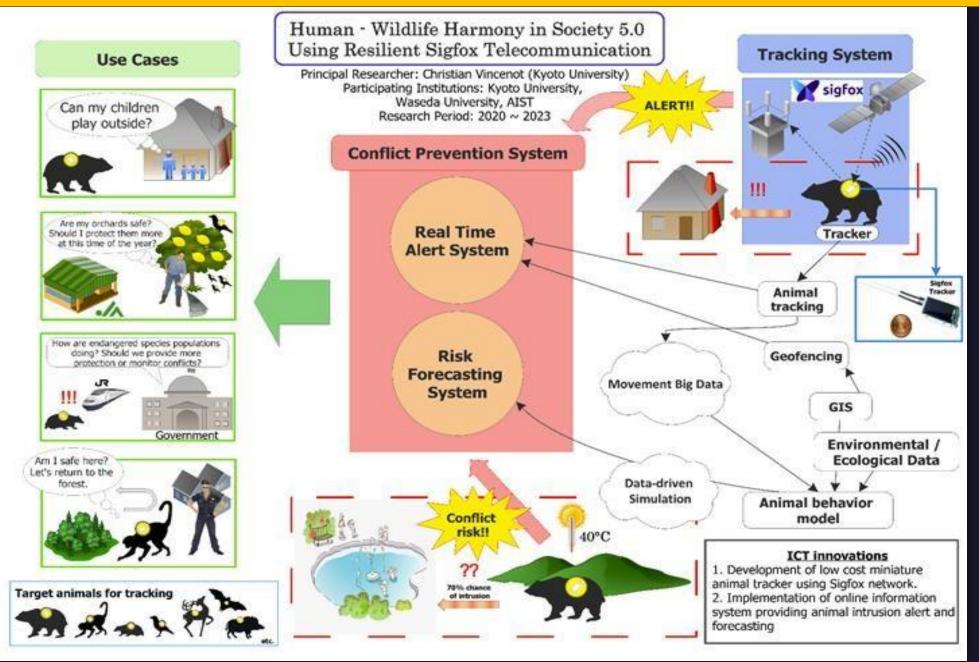
## Science Application- Synergy – DNA technology – tracing back the geographic region of origin



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#### Science Application - Transfer of Technology – Sensors for Addressing Human-Wildlife Conflicts



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# Japan

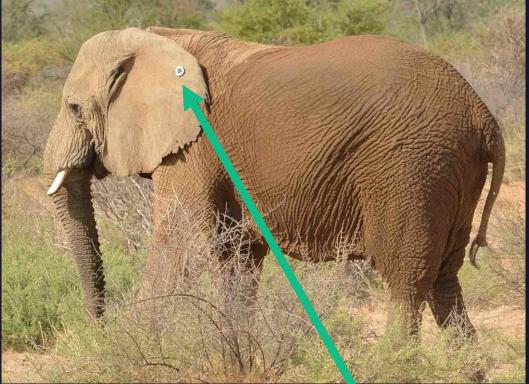


Asiatic Black Bear *Ursus thibetanus* (Nagano Pref.)

> Ryukyu fruit bat *Pteropus dasymallus* (Okinawa Pref.)



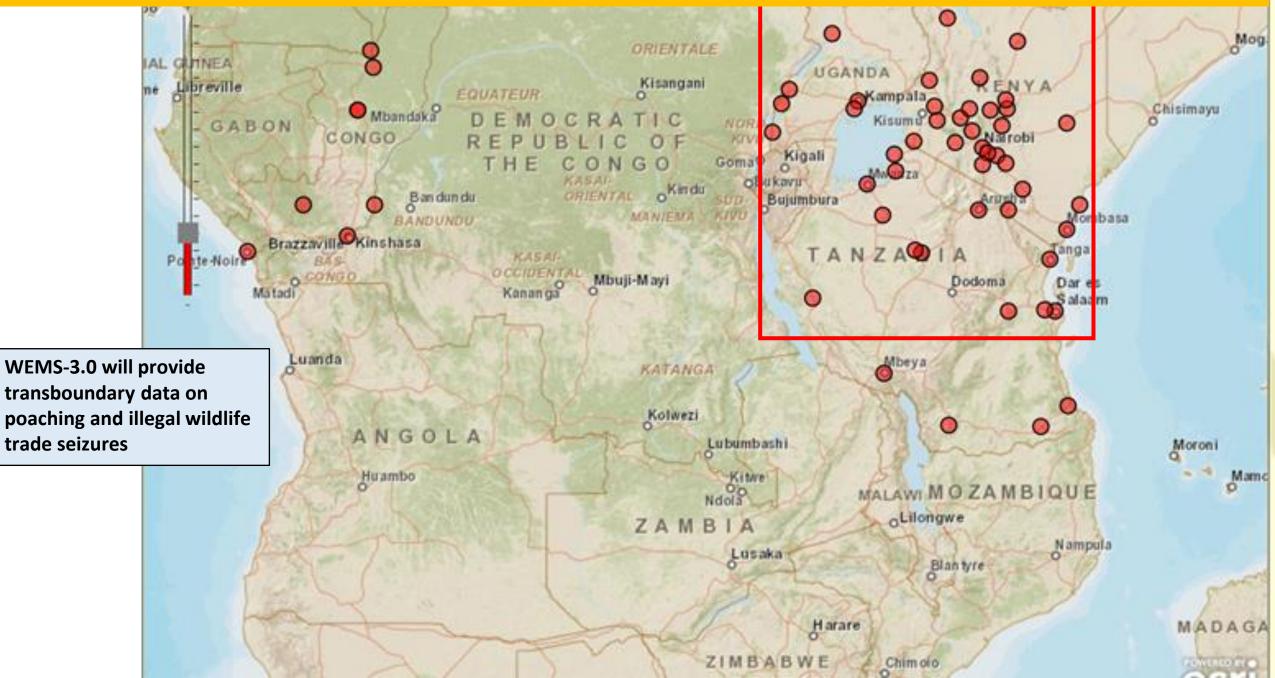


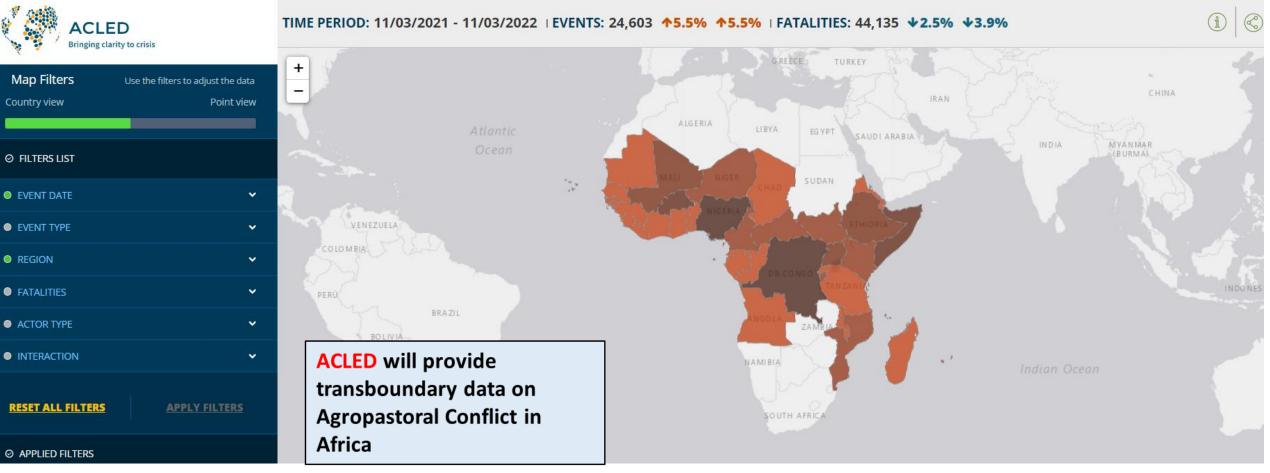


Early tracker testing only (not full system) Elephants, Giraffe, Cheetah

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#### Science Application - Innovation – Geo-spatial technology to address Illegal Wildlife Crime

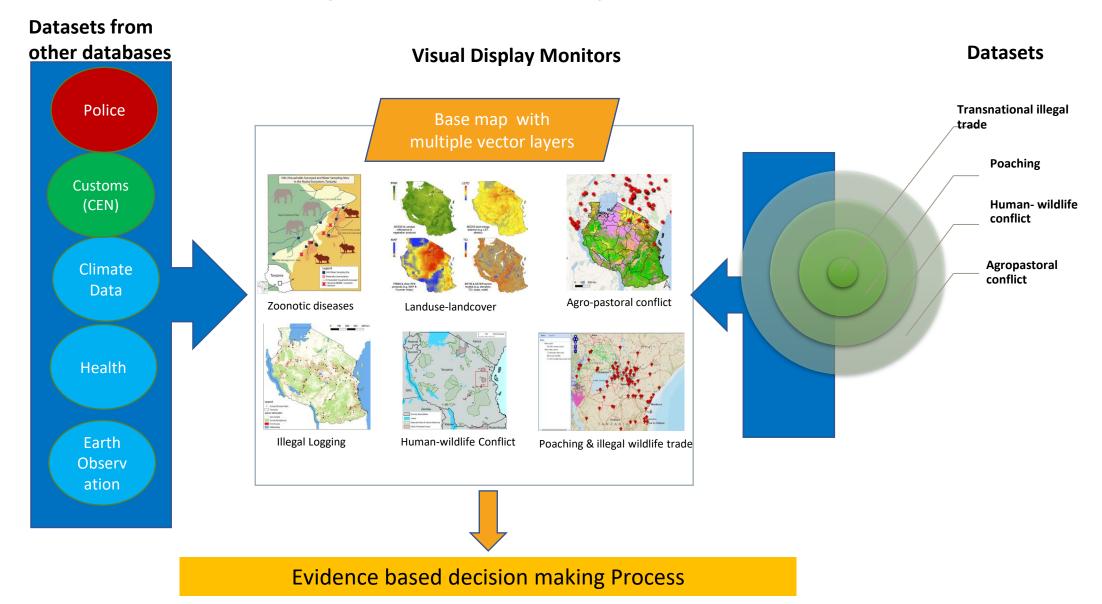




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# **Evidence based data compilation**

#### **Conceptual model of the Spatial Data Infrastructure**



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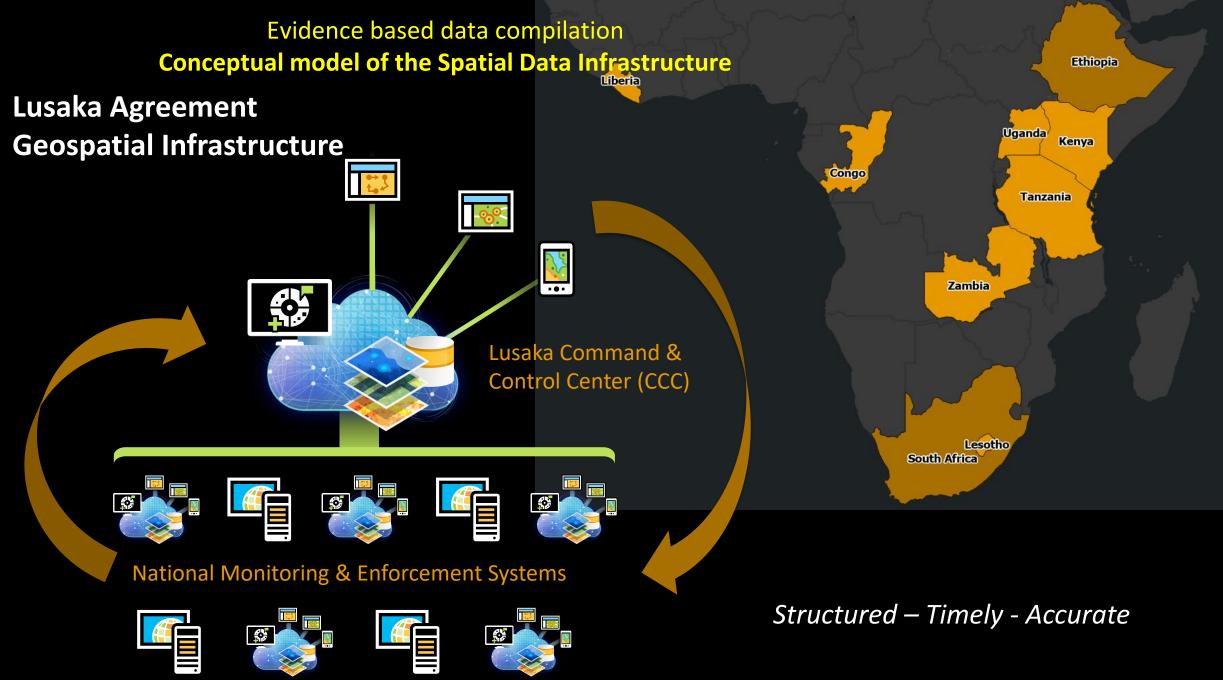
Lusaka Agreement Member States & Signatories

The Challenge

Secure Data Aggregation &

Information Dissemination





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# **Conceptual model of the Spatial Data Infrastructure** Wildlife Enforcement Monitoring System 3.0 Dashboard

- Easy to Understand
- Ready to Use
- Interactive
- Flexible
- Configurable



#### **Interactive Data Visualization + Location-Based Analytics**

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## SCIENCE-POLICY MEASURES TO BE UNDERTAKEN TO MEET SUSTAINABLE GOALS IN AFRICA

- I. Encourage data input through incentives
  - One dollar One Record Providing incentives to primary data compilers
- 2. Turning Governments to Data Scientists
  - > Training government officials to analyse data
- 3. Developing tools to validate data sharing protocols.
  - Easy to understand tools that can help government understand who has access to the data

## SCIENCE-POLICY MEASURES TO BE UNDERTAKEN TO MEET SUSTAINABLE GOALS IN AFRICA

- 4. Don't let governments bear the pain of fixing systems!!
  - Dedicated cloud services with a technical team from industry
- 5. Focused theme not to get the system overcrowded
  - SDI exclusively focusing on Human-Nature Conflicts
- 6. Moving from NSDI to RSDI to address transboundary issues
  - Cost saving measure and to address transboundary challenges

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