



CEPF's investment for species conservation in the East Melanesian Islands' Hotspot

CEPF East Melanesian Islands Regional Implementation Team

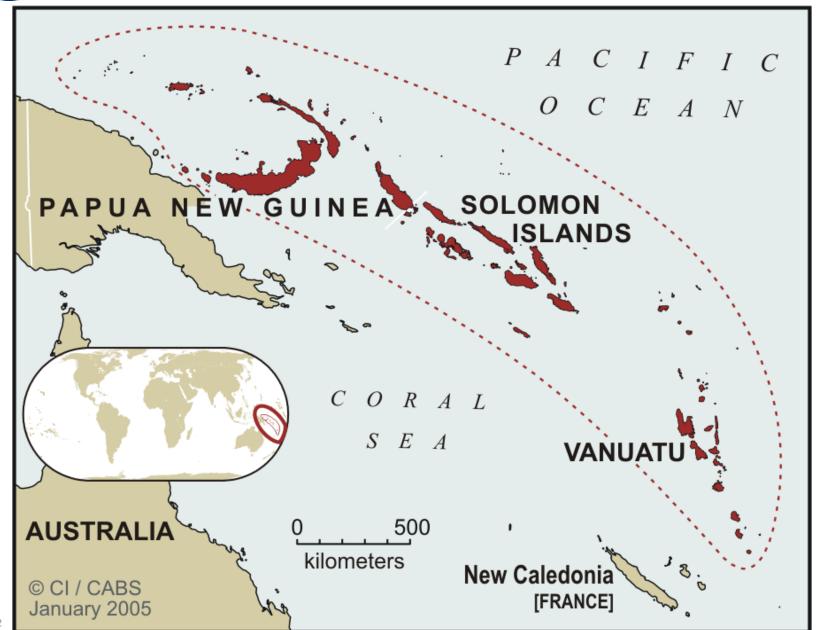


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East Melanesian Islands Hotspot









Support to civil society to help conserve biodiversity hotspots

- -Local communities are the custodians of biodiversity
- -Locally relevant conservation
- -Capacity building focus through partnerships, networking and mentoring

Investment running from 2013 to 2021- US\$9million

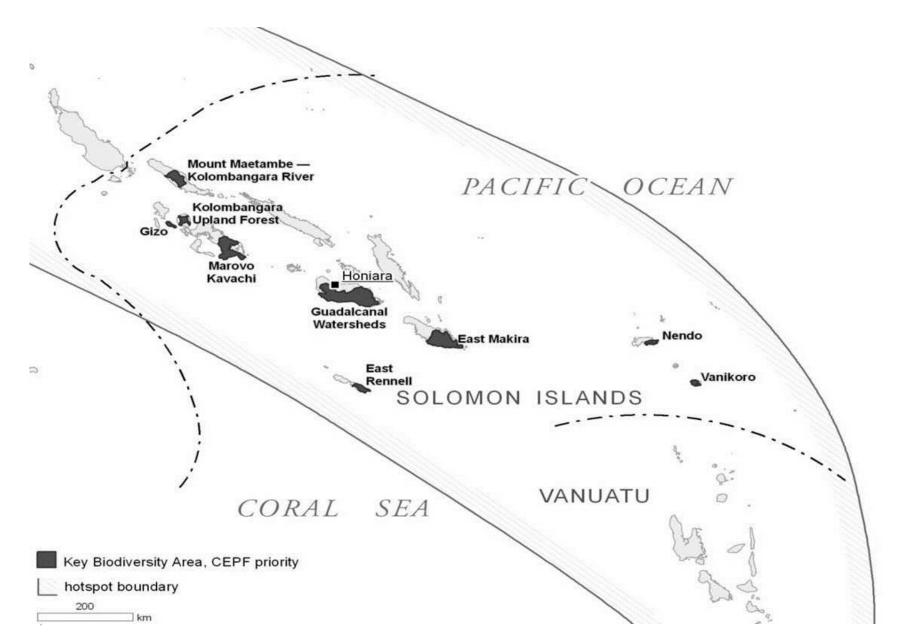
In Solomon Islands

- \$1.5 million in large grants
- \$200,000 in small grants



Solomon Islands Priority Sites







Focus of work



Strategic Direction 1: Empower local communities to protect and manage globally significant biodiversity at priority sites under served by current efforts

Strategic Direction 2: Integrate biodiversity conservation into local land-use and development planning

Strategic Direction 3: Safeguard priority globally threatened species by addressing major threats and information gaps

Strategic Direction 4: Increase local and national capacity to conserve biodiversity through catalyzing civil society partnerships







Strategic Direction 3:

Safeguard priority globally threatened species by addressing major threats and information gaps

- 3.1 Conduct research on six globally threatened species for which there is a need for greatly improved information on their status and distribution
- 3.2 Develop, implement and monitor species recovery plans for species most at risk, where their status and distribution are known
- 3.3 Introduce science-based harvest management of priority species important to local food security

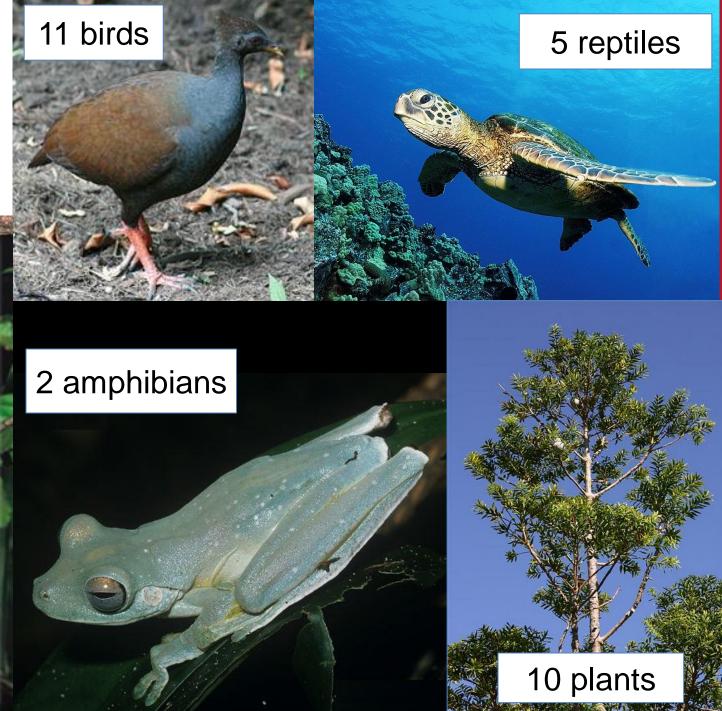


Pteralopex taki © Tyrone Lavery

Priority species

20 mammals







Priority species found in Solomon Islands



Priority Species	English Name	Species-Focused Conservation Action Needed
MAMMALS		
Dugong dugon	Dugong	Control of overexploitation
Pteralopex anceps	Bougainville Monkey-faced Bat	Control of overexploitation
Pteralopex atrata	Guadalcanal Monkey-faced Bat	Control of overexploitation
Pteralopex flanneryi	Greater Monkey-faced Bat	Control of overexploitation
Pteralopex pulchra	Montane Monkey-faced Bat	Control of overexploitation
Pteralopex taki	New Georgia Monkey-faced Bat	Control of overexploitation
Pteropus anetianus	Vanuatu Flying-fox	Control of overexploitation
Pteropus cognatus	Makira Flying-fox	Control of overexploitation
Pteropus nitendiensis	Temotu Flying-fox	Control of overexploitation
Pteropus tuberculatus	Vanikoro Flying-fox	Location of viable population
Solomys ponceleti	Poncelet's Giant Rat	Control of overexploitation
Solomys salebrosus	Bougainville Giant Rat	Control of overexploitation
Solomys sapientis	Isabel Giant Rat	Control of overexploitation
Uromys imperator	Emperor Rat	Location of viable population
Uromys porculus	Guadalcanal Rat	Location of viable population
Uromys rex	King Rat	Location of viable population





BIRDS		
Charmosyna palmarum	Palm Lorikeet	Control of invasive species
Gallicolumba sanctaecrucis	Santa Cruz Ground-dove	Control of invasive species
Gallinula silvestris	Makira Moorhen	Location of viable population
Pseudobulweria becki	Beck's Petrel	Location of viable population
Pterodroma brevipes	Collared Petrel	Control of invasive species
REPTILES		
Caretta caretta	Loggerhead Turtle	Control of overexploitation
Chelonia mydas	Green Turtle	Control of overexploitation
Dermochelys coriacea	Leatherback Turtle	Control of overexploitation
Eretmochelys imbricata	Hawksbill Turtle	Control of overexploitation
AMPHIBIANS		
Litoria lutea	Solomon Islands Treefrog	Resolution of species limits
Palmatorappia solomonis	Solomon Islands Palm Frog	Resolution of species limits
PLANTS		
Diospyros insularis	New Guinea Ebony	Control of overexploitation
Intsia bijuga	Moluccan Ironwood	Control of overexploitation



Baseline Surveys



University of the South Pacific
Rapid Biodiversity Assessment of
the Guadalcanal Watersheds
New discoveries, confirmed
endemics

French Ichthyological Society
Filling Gaps and Improving
Knowledge of Freshwater Fauna in
Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. New
species of freshwater fauna

ESSI Baseline Biodiversity Inventory of Mt Maetambe-Kolobangara River Corridor







Improving knowledge and management of threatened priority species

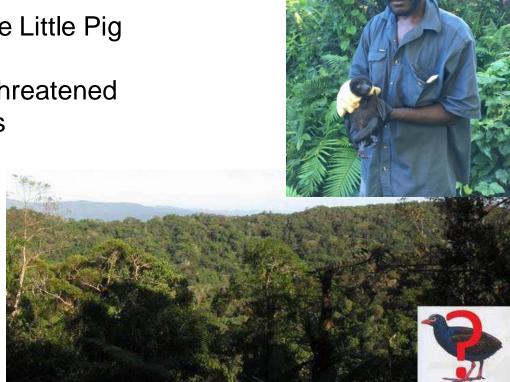


Wai-Hau Conservation Foundation Winter Season Leatherback Turtle monitoring and management project

University of Queensland

- -The Emperor, the King and the Little Pig
- -Sustainable management of threatened flying foxes in Solomon Islands

SICCP In search of the Makira Moorhen





Awareness Raising



<u>University of Queensland</u> Status and Conservation of the Solomon Islands' Most Threatened Endemic Terrestrial Vertebrates

Oceanswatch Protecting areas of significant biodiversity in the Temotu province

<u>Arnavon Community Marine</u> <u>Conservation Association</u>

Strengthening the capacity of ACMCA to regulate the Protected Areas Act 2010 and conserve endangered hawksbill turtles in Arnavon Islands





Improving organizational capacity

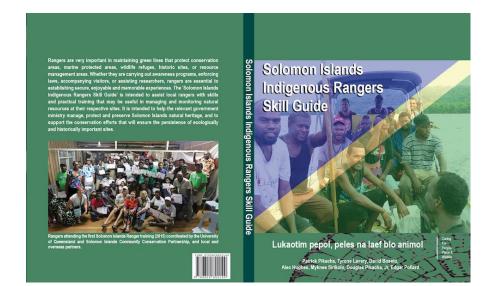


Building the capacity of the Kolombangara Island Biodiversity Conservation Association

Launching Solomon Islands Rangers
Association to the wider Solomon Islands

Building Coalitions in Western Province – World Fish





Building capacity through training

<u>University of Queensland</u> Rangers' course

<u>USP</u> Developing Conservation Champions - PICCC



2017 Call for Proposals



- 8 September to 25 October
- Prospective applicants are encouraged to discuss project ideas and eligibility with the Regional Implementation Team at cepfeastmelanesia@iucn.org

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ANY QUESTIONS?















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