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JOINING HANDS WITH FAITH-BASED ORGANISATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE KMGBF

WHAT?

Religion and spirituality are <u>deeply grounded</u> in care for the natural world and have led to some of the most enduring social movements in history.



FBOs or faith-based organisations can play a positive role by promoting the protection and restoration of biodiversity, and fostering a sense of shared responsibility and collective action for the well-being of people and the planet.



"We grieve the excessive use of natural resources that disrupts the balance of ecosystems and acknowledge our shortcomings in aligning our actions with the values and tenets of our traditions. Yet we also recognize the immense power of faith to bring about radical positive change by imparting hope and summoning the courage necessary for billions to respond to the challenges and crises before us".

Faith Biodiversity Call to Action, 2020



FBO's manage...

8% of Earth's habitable land surface



5% of all commercial forests



50% of schools worldwide



10% of the world's total financial institutions

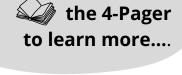


WHY?

Due to their seizeable reach and influence, religious and spiritual groups are an important and natural constituency to achieve a naturepositive world and catalyse the implementation of the KMGBF with the whole-of-society approach.



A number of emerging trends provide opportunities for increased engagement and collaboration with FBOs.







WHAT'S NEXT?

In **2024**, FBOs will contribute to develop and revise National **Biodiversity Strategies and** Action Plans (NBSAPs) and thus significantly help to achieve the **UN** Sustainable Development Goals.



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