



The Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection in 2018

On 19 November 1930, Pieter Gerbrand van Tienhoven founded the 'Stichting tot Internationale Natuurbescherming' (Foundation for International Nature Protection), to promote balance in nature, by protecting threatened flora and fauna and the conservation of geologically important areas.

Our aims:

1. make small grants available in order to finance direct actions that lead to change in policy and practice. This is especially the case for those ecosystems and its living organisms that are threatened or under pressure outside the Netherlands;
2. promote knowledge into the causes of threats and pressures on nature, in order to generate concrete actions that halt, counteract or mitigate these causes;
3. influence and collaborate with governmental, non-governmental organisations, communities, individuals, and other relevant stakeholders for the sake of the conservation of nature.

Since 2005, a Code of Conduct, revised charters and a website contributed to more transparency, documentation and continuation of the objectives of the Van Tienhoven Foundation to professionally serve a wider conservation community.

Board 2018:

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| Olaf Bánki (Chair as of April 2018) | www.naturalis.nl |
| Theo van Koolwijk | www.vk-consult.nl |
| Bas Looise (Treasurer) | www.woerdensport.nl |
| Frank Saris ((Chair) until April 2018) | www.sovon.nl |
| Marie-Jose Vervest (Secretary) | www.wetlands.org |

The board met twice in 2018.

The board supported a student thesis of the Wageningen University in collaboration with World Wild Fund Netherlands on the measures of success of nature conservation projects funded by small grants funds. Seven projects funded by the Van Tienhoven Foundation were interviewed during the study. The result of the study indicated the projects achieved success due to the small grants offered. Respondents also indicated a desire to have closer relationships with the voluntary board of the Van Tienhoven Foundation.



Management assistant Danielle Klinge supported the board in the registration, assessment and selection process of the submitted project applications. She also supports in contracting the final selected projects.

Since the Van Tienhoven Foundation receives far more applications than it is able to finance, the board decided to further refine its criteria for the annual call for project proposals in 2018:

- upon receipt so-called **'threshold' criteria** are used to identify eligibility of the proposal
- once an application is eligible the **'criteria for appraisal'** are applied

Threshold Criteria

The board only accepts applications:

1. From not-for profit organisations, that are registered as legal bodies (NGOs and scientific institutions). We do not accept applications from individuals
2. From organisations with a track record in conservation and social justice, to be demonstrated by referring to websites and/or social media
3. Implemented in developing countries or in countries in transition
4. We do not finance western salaries/consultancy fees, vehicles and equipment, nor international travel costs
5. With a project cycle of maximum two years

Criteria for appraisal

The board prioritises projects that:

1. Are practical, hands-on and directly applicable in order to generate change
2. Are initiated, owned or widely supported by local stakeholders, in order to ensure sustainability
3. Are focusing on threatened species and ecosystems and/or key biodiversity areas
4. Are aiming to counter the human-induced causes for these threats, in order to have maximum conservation impact
5. Are exemplary for a wider problem, serve as a catalyst for raising awareness and engaging other stakeholders
6. Create leverage and can demonstrate that small grants and individual efforts can make a difference

We prioritise actions that lead to direct change in policy and practice.

In 2018, the Van Tienhoven Foundation has received a total of **459 applications**.

12 shortlisted projects were contacted for referees and additional questions and information. As a result of this process **9 projects** have been finally selected by the board.



Financed projects 2018

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| Nigeria | Primate inventory and conservation in Ikpa River Basin, Southern Nigeria | Tropical Research and Conservation Centre | € 5.300 |
| Kenya | Saving endangered Taita Hills Butterflies through growing indigenous host plants | Wildlife Clubs of Kenya | € 8.500 |
| India | Wild Seve: building tolerance for elephants through effective mitigation and compensation in India | Centre for Wildlife Studies | € 9.975 |
| Vietnam | Support community protection of aquatic submersion vegetation habitats and conservation of endangered seagrass and fish species in coastal Tam Giang lagoon | CCRD (Centre for Community Research and Development) | € 10.000 |
| Cambodia | Community conservation and sustainable use of tropical upland forests in Battambang, Cambodia | Village Support Group | € 10.000 |
| Pakistan | Conservation of globally important populations of highly-threatened species through the creation of new, community-managed protected areas in the Gilgit-Baltistan region of Pakistan | Wildlife Conservation Society, Pakistan Program | € 9.600 |
| Bolivia | Sustainable protection of breeding habitat of the critically endangered blue-throated Macaw (<i>Ara glaucogularis</i>) in Bolivia. | Asociación Armonía | € 10.000 |
| Tanzania | Wire snare art and conservation: improving local community livelihoods to reduce wildlife snare poaching in the Greater Serengeti Ecosystem, Tanzania | Sokoine University of Agriculture | € 9.995 |
| Venezuela | Cloud forest conservation in Páramo El Tambor: a socio-integral intervention to promote local ecosystem preservation and restoration for climate change adaptation. | Disaster Risk Reduction Research Center | € 9.980 |

Total budget of approved projects in 2018 was €83.350,00

Financial Report

Per December 31st, 2018, the total assets of the foundation are € 3.793.627 which is a decrease of 4,6% in comparison to December 31, 2017.

For a summary of the Financial Report 2018 of the Van Tienhoven Foundation and Budget 2018: See Annex A (Balance Sheet) and Annex B (Profit & Loss).

The board of the Netherlands Foundation of International Nature Protection.



Annex A

The Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection

| Balance sheet as per 31 December 2018 | | | | | |
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| Euros | | | | | |
| <u>Assets</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | <u>31-12-2018</u> | <u>31-12-2017</u> |
| Other Receivables | | | | 3.757 | 1.660 |
| Securities | | | | 3.357.840 | 3.482.124 |
| Liquid assets | | | | 432.030 | 492.648 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | | | 3.793.627 | 3.976.432 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | <u>31-12-2018</u> | <u>31-12-2017</u> |
| Equity | | | | 3.786.489 | 3.967.830 |
| Trade Creditors | | | | 201 | 290 |
| Other Liabilities | | | | 6.937 | 8.312 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | | | | 3.793.627 | 3.976.432 |



Annex B

The Van Tienhoven Foundation for International Nature Protection

| Profit & Loss | | | | |
|--|--|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Euros | | | | |
| | | Actual | Budget | Actual |
| | | <u>2018</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| <i>Revenues</i> | | | | |
| Securities and bonds | | -65.194 | 120.000 | 151.431 |
| Subsidies and awards | | -83.380 | -75.000 | -93.038 |
| Total Revenues | | -148.574 | 45.000 | 58.393 |
| <i>Expenses</i> | | | | |
| Personell costs | | 4.816 | 4.500 | 7.364 |
| Office expenses | | 855 | 2.000 | 1.255 |
| General expenses | | 1.119 | 3.350 | 1.123 |
| Total costs | | 6.790 | 9.850 | 9.742 |
| <i>Financial benefits and expenses</i> | | | | |
| Interest income | | -768 | -1.000 | -1.363 |
| Financial costs | | 26.745 | 27.500 | 27.787 |
| Total | | 25.977 | 26.500 | 26.424 |
| Net Result | | -181.341 | 8.650 | 22.227 |