



## GEF-PPG Excelling Protected Area Management Effectiveness for Biodiversity Conservation through a Landscape Based Approach (ENABLE)

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The program aims to enhance biodiversity conservation and climate resilience through improved management of Indonesia's protected areas and surrounding landscape. The project seeks to strengthen the enabling environment for conservation by addressing systemic challenges such as insufficient financing, weak institutional capacity, and limited community engagement.

By promoting innovative governance models, expanding conservation financing mechanisms, and mainstreaming biodiversity into land-use planning and development sectors, the project will help reverse ecosystem degradation and improve ecosystem service for local communities. It will support the establishment and operationalization of a Conservation Learning Center (CLC) to promote adaptive management and knowledge sharing.

ENABLE will contribute to global biodiversity goals, particularly those outlined in the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, while supporting Indonesia's national targets under the IBSAP 2025-2045 and Indonesia's RPJMN 2025-2029.

For this project, Symmetry as the Conservation Financing Specialist contributed to the formation of the ENABLE Project Document (ProDoc) and CEO Endorsement Request by identifying viable conservation financing mechanisms to ensure long-term sustainability of protected areas (PAs) and biodiversity-rich landscapes. Symmetry conducted an assessment of existing and potential financing opportunities, aligned with UNDP-GEF guidance and national policy, and advised on financing strategies that support the ENABLE project theory of change and outcomes.

- Conduct a rapid review of existing conservation financing mechanisms in Indonesia, including those applied within PAs and buffer zones.
- Identify financing gaps, constraints, and enabling conditions relevant to the ENABLE project sites and components.
- Explore and assess feasibility of mechanisms such as Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES), ecotourism revenue sharing, biodiversity offsets, carbon finance, and public-private partnerships.
- Technical inputs to the financial sustainability strategy for targeted PAs and associated landscapes.
- Recommendations on policy instruments, incentives, and governance structures to enable long-term financing.