

ReSea Fund

**Regenerative Seascapes
for People, Climate and Nature**



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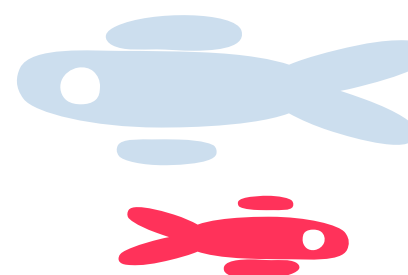
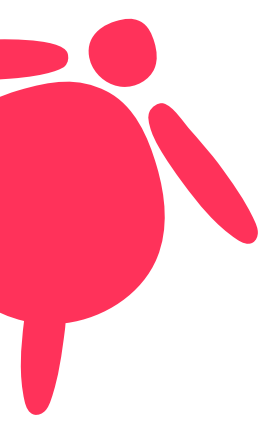


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Climate emergency and biodiversity collapse



It is undeniable that humanity faces an unprecedented climate crisis and that it is necessary, even urgent, to unite to ensure a sustainable and healthy future for present and future generations. Mission inclusion is committed to acting as an agent of change and wants to do its part in preserving biodiversity and adopting adaptive mechanisms for the benefit of the most vulnerable people.

Although they are not responsible for climate change, vulnerable populations in the poorest countries are on the front lines of the harmful effects already being observed. Within these populations, women, indigenous peoples, rural and coastal communities are particularly affected by their dependence on natural resources and the lack of public space to enable them to claim their rights.



Changes in seasonal cycles impact agricultural production, biodiversity destruction alters the quality and quantity of natural resources that underpin their nutrition, and extreme weather events threaten their health and safety. In addition, the direct consequences of human activity that promote a system of consumption with no regard for the overexploitation of resources and the destruction of natural habitats. This can have repercussions on the global economy, food security and public health. But it's not too late!



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A commitment to biodiversity conservation and thriving communities

To address these challenges, Mission inclusion is implementing sustainable initiatives such as **ReSea**, which is part of the Great Blue Wall. With ReSea, Mission inclusion and its partners aim to reduce the physical and socio-economic vulnerability of communities to the devastating effects of the climate crisis through a commitment to global engagement, international cooperation and concrete policies and measures. It aims to protect natural habitats and endangered species, promote sustainable and ecological lifestyles, and strengthen the contribution of women and other vulnerable groups to act as agents of change. **ReSea** fits perfectly with Mission inclusion's values to ensure a healthy and sustainable future for the next generations from an inclusion perspective.

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In a drop or two

The **ReSea** project is an inspiring initiative that will have a major impact on coastal communities in Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique, Comoros, and Madagascar. Thanks to this project, 350,000 women, men and youth will benefit from reduced physical and socio-economic vulnerability. In addition, the program will improve their adaptive capacity to address the region's climate challenges by adopting nature-based solutions.

Thus, **ReSea** aims to improve the lives of communities dependent on coastal and marine resources, including women, young women, men, young men, vulnerable and marginalized people, as well as civil society.

Excellent news for all those concerned about the future of our planet, as this will help improve the health of marine and terrestrial ecosystems while improving the quality of life of those who depend on them. Together, we will work to create a more sustainable and equitable future for all.

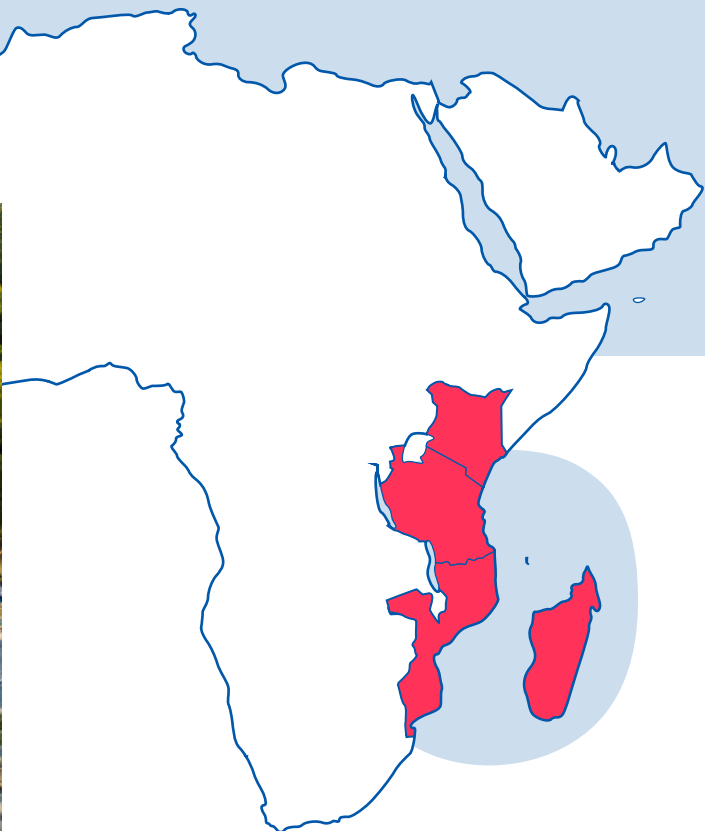


Duration:

March 2023 to March 2026

2 million
people helped

5 countries
Comoros, Kenya, Madagascar,
Mozambique and Tanzania



The geographical and human scope of the project

The program will target the marine landscapes of Lamu (Kenya), Tanga-Pemba (Tanzania), Inhambane (Mozambique), Antsiranana (Madagascar) and Mohéli (Comoros), where up to 2 million people could benefit from its actions. But its impact could also have a ripple effect for the entire population living around the West Indian Ocean region.

RESEA **An ambitious project for a responsible future**

Our ReSea project will be implemented by Mission inclusion in partnership with the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) thanks to the financial contribution of the Government of Canada and our generous donors. The initiative aims to reduce the physical and socio-economic vulnerability of communities to the devastating effects of the climate crisis.

This sharing of expertise makes this project innovative and will have a major and global impact on the local economy, the empowerment of individuals and especially women, the protection of aquatic life and the promotion of biodiversity.

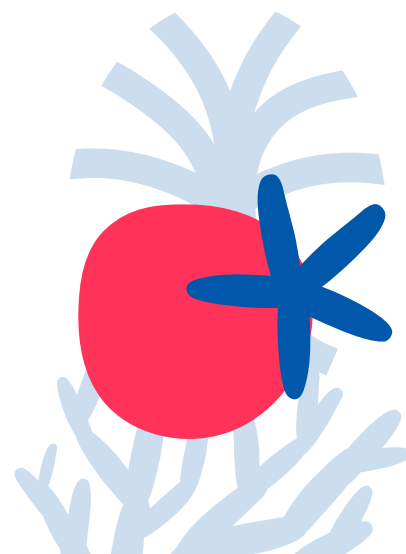
ReSea relies on global engagement, international cooperation and concrete policies and measures. **The project focuses on three important goals:**

Improve biodiversity conservation.
(Blue Planet)

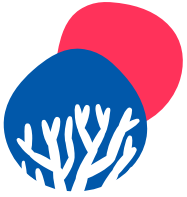
Implement sustainable and effective management of marine protected areas through nature-based solutions.
(Blue Nature)

Promote the economic empowerment of women in the blue economy sector, the sustainable development of marine and coastal resources.
(Blue People)

Drawing on its years of experience and achievements in gender equality, Mission inclusion will work with its local partners on the third objective to strengthen women's and youth skills in blue entrepreneurship and bolster the voice of women's organizations and networks to ensure their rights are better protected.



Three pillars of development to shape a sustainable future with communities

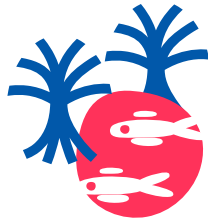


Blue Planet

The goal of the project is to improve the protection of marine areas, including the most important coastal and marine ecosystems, for local populations and nature.

To achieve this goal, the program will strengthen the capacity of local communities to adapt to climate change and ensure that appropriate governance frameworks are in place.

This will create an enabling environment for the adoption of nature-based solutions that consider gender equity for effective management and sustainable use of coastal and marine resources in the region covered by the program.



Blue Nature

The project aims to implement nature-based solutions by strengthening the capacities and knowledge of partner organizations on sustainable practices for using resources available to communities in the region.

This can include various interventions such as mangrove restoration and rehabilitation, coastal forest protection and restoration, shoreline protection with buffer zones, and coral reef protection.



Blue People

The project is committed to strengthening the economic empowerment of women in all their diversity by strengthening the necessary skills to set up blue economic activities. With these skills, they will be able to generate sustainable income from natural resources while contributing to environmental protection.

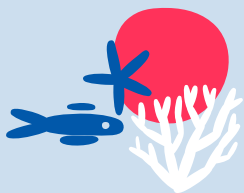
In addition, the program will strive to make the voices of women's rights advocacy organizations heard to ensure equitable representation in decision-making bodies, recognition of their essential role in marine resource conservation and their ability to take advantage of traditionally male-dominated social and economic opportunities.

RESEA and the Sustainable Development Goals



RESEA and the Great Blue Wall: Rising to a sustainable future

The Great Blue Wall is a galvanizing project in the Indian Ocean to preserve our precious nature. Its ambitious goal is to create a sustainable future by 2030, where nature thrives. It tackles major challenges like biodiversity loss, climate change, and economic hardship. How? By establishing protected areas for oceans and coastlines, and restoring damaged coral reefs.



Protect biodiversity

By 2030, the Great Blue Wall will equitably and effectively protect 2 million km² (30% of the West Indian Ocean region), by advocating and providing pan-African scale support for complementary outcomes.




Address climate change

By 2030, the Great Blue Wall will have made clear net progress on critical blue ecosystems from 2020 by conserving and restoring over 2 million hectares of critical ecosystems and sequestering over 100 million tons of carbon.



Build a blue economy

By 2030, the Great Blue Wall will provide sustainable income opportunities for 70 million people in the West Indian Ocean region, create 10 million ocean-related jobs, and support similar efforts in other regions. This blue economy will preserve marine and freshwater environments while sustainably using them to develop economic growth and produce resources like energy and food.

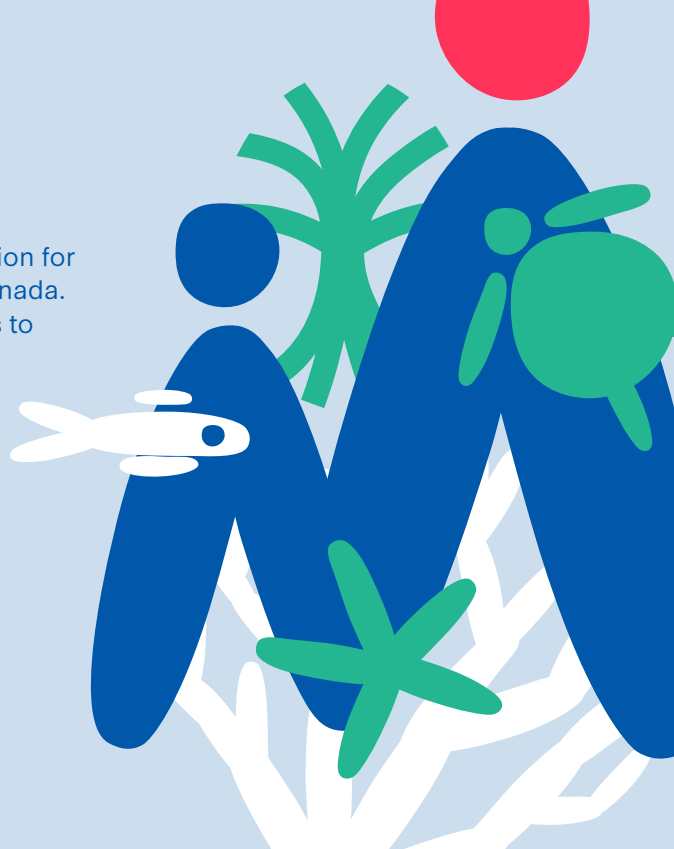


Together with IUCN, Mission inclusion is proud to carry out this project and contribute to the Great Blue Wall. By working together and sharing our expertise and experience with local communities and engaged citizens here and elsewhere, we will build a more inclusive and sustainable future for all without exception.

A solid partnership

Mission inclusion is working in partnership with the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), with the support of Global Affairs Canada. It is also collaborating with expert, creative, knowledgeable partners to implement the ReSea project.

In partnership with



About Mission inclusion

Our mission

Mission inclusion supports innovative and mobilizing actions to ensure the well-being of vulnerable or marginalized people in Quebec and around the world. Mission inclusion pursues Cardinal Léger's dream of a just world where nobody gets left behind. A world where everyone has a place and participates in their community. A world where everything is inclusion.

Our principles

- Mission inclusion primarily supports local and community interventions focused on building capacities in individuals and on mobilizing communities.
- Mission inclusion promotes gender equality and the essential role of women as agents of change in all its actions.
- Mission inclusion sees itself as a gateway to volunteering in support of local initiatives, here and around the world.

In brief:

- A unique organization with **75 years of existence** and one of the only ones working both in Quebec and internationally.
- One of the only private foundations established by a special Act of the Government of Canada in tribute to the work of our founders, Jules and Paul-Émile Léger.
- An organization recognized for its good governance, the scope and sustainability of its actions.
- **Over 30,500,000 people helped to date** in Quebec, Canada and internationally.
- **Present in 13 regions** regions of Quebec.
- **Present in 15 countries** in Latin America, Africa, and Asia.



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