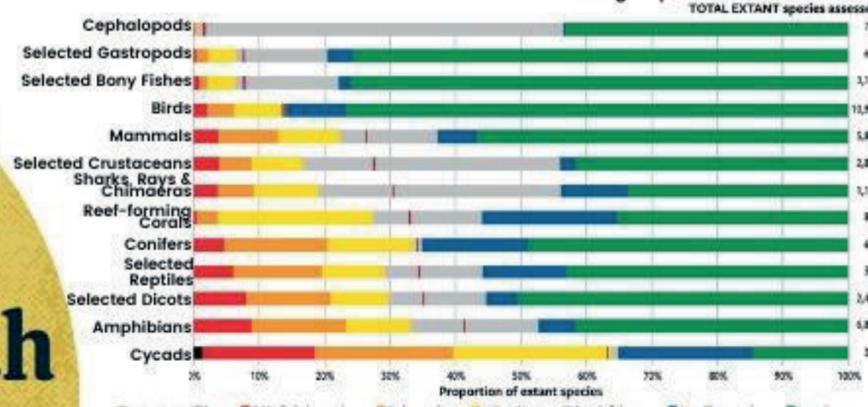


Our biodiversity crisis

International environmental law is not sufficient to prevent biodiversity loss. We must implement a robust rights-based approach to proactively protect and restore biodiversity. But biodiversity and a healthy environment is not just a human right. Human rights are Nature's rights!

The fifth Global Biodiversity Outlook report¹ indicates extinction risks to biodiversity:

Figure 12.2 Proportion of species in different extinction risk categories on the IUCN Red List across different taxonomic groups.

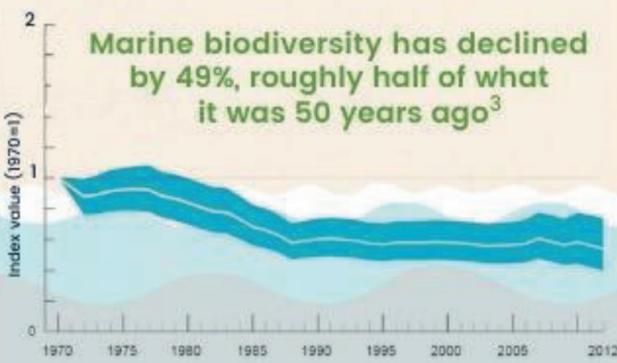


To fully achieve the 2050 vision of a world living in harmony with Nature, the CBD must recognize the inherent rights of the species and biodiversity we seek to protect and restore.

Protect biodiversity with Rights of Nature in the CBD

We need urgent action to protect biodiversity!

Marine biodiversity has declined by 49%, roughly half of what it was 50 years ago³



Rights of Nature is supported by the international community, including the IUCN, and can advance the 2050 vision of living in harmony with Nature!

Rights of Nature

- Shifting human-centered frameworks within western economic, legal & governance systems that are failing to protect biodiversity;
- Grounding human activity in the consideration of complex interactions & natural processes of ecosystems;
- Recognizing the interconnected relationships & reciprocal responsibilities of our finite planet;
- Leading to greater protection of human rights; and
- Striving to restore & maintain thriving habitats!

Over 35 countries

at some level of government have embraced Rights of Nature in law or policy

Over 200 sign-ons

of international organizations support our recommendation to the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework!

Why is Rights of Nature necessary?

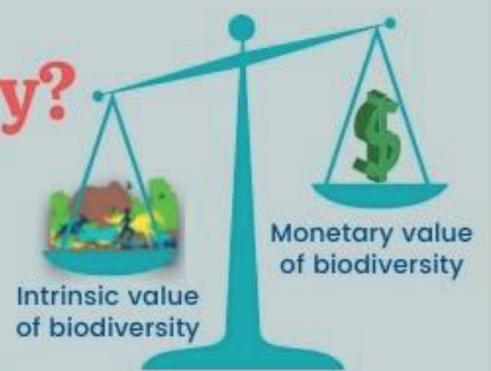
To acknowledge the interconnection between Nature and humanity!



To cause us to redefine what is sustainable—to live within ecological boundaries in balance with Earth.

necessary?

To provide biodiversity a voice in decision making!



To recognize the intrinsic value of biodiversity.

“One million species already face extinction, many within decades,” and are “declining faster than at any time in human history.”

- IPBES Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Service²

For more information please visit: <https://www.earthlawcenter.org> and <https://www.rightsofmotherearth.com/biodiversity>

¹ Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (2020) Global Biodiversity Outlook 5. Montreal.

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