Proposed amendments to the IUCN Statutes:

Protect the intellectual independence of the knowledge-based and evidence-based work carried out by the Commissions and Secretariat of IUCN

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Status: ADOPTED

The IUCN World Conservation Congress,

Adopts the following amendments to the IUCN Statutes to protect the intellectual independence of the knowledge-based and evidence-based work carried out by the Commissions and Secretariat of IUCN:

(i) Amend Article 3 of the IUCN Statutes as follows: (existing text, if any, to be removed in strike-through; proposed new text in bold): To attain these objectives, IUCN:

[…]

(f) develops expert networks and information systems to support its Members and components;

(f) bis provides scientific and other authoritative information, including traditional ecological knowledge, in the form of assessments, analysis, and advice on the status and trends of nature and natural resources, including on threats, human behaviour, conservation measures and future scenarios;

[…]

NEW Article 3bis of the IUCN Statutes as follows: (existing text, if any, to be removed in strike through; proposed new text in bold):
In working towards the objectives outlined in Article 3 (f) bis of the Statutes, the IUCN Secretariat and the IUCN Commissions are required to uphold high standards of scientific work and other knowledge systems and will be free from undue influence or conflict of interest in this regard.