



GCC

Global Conservation
Consortia

Statement of Intent

Affiliates



**BOTANIC
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Purpose

The purpose of this Statement of Intent is to provide a framework for cooperation for BGCI's Global Conservation Consortia (GCC) and to facilitate the achievement of shared conservation goals. This Statement of Intent is intended to evidence the intentions of the signatories only, and intended to be aspirational toward establishing the spirit of the parties, and the ethical, moral and legal standards that they desire to fulfil. This Statement of Intent is not intended to be a legally binding agreement.

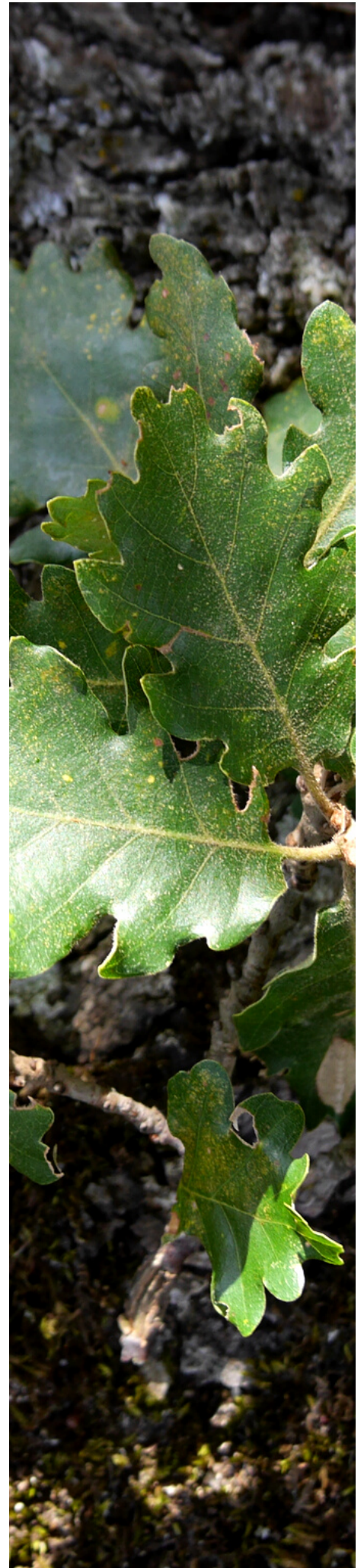
Affiliates of the Global Conservation Consortia

Consortium Affiliates make up the bulk of each Consortium and support *ex situ* and *in situ* species conservation action. Affiliates are individuals that may or may not be officially associated with a botanic garden or other institution, and do not hold a formal role in a Consortium. They receive communications about Consortium activities, and may support, collaborate, or advise on any Consortium activities in coordination with the Consortium Steering Committee and/or Species Steward(s).

Global Conservation Consortia Guiding Principles

To achieve the objectives above, BGCI relies on Consortium Affiliates to:

1. Practice the highest professional standards at all times;
2. Carry out all GCC activities with prior informed consent, according to all relevant international, national and local laws, regulations and customs;
3. Respect and adhere to the customs, knowledge and rights of indigenous people and their traditional knowledge; and endeavour to engage local communities as stakeholders in species recovery activities;
4. When possible, share information, plant material, research outputs, publications, data and intellectual property equitably among GCC participants (unless subject to restrictions);
5. Where possible, build long-term partnerships that facilitate exchange of knowledge, resources and other forms of mutual support.
6. Not cause harm to the environment or biodiversity (e.g., avoid collecting whole, wild plants, or over-harvesting wild seeds or plant material); and ultimately support the long-term conservation of genetically diverse and representative plant populations.



Statement of Intent Terms

- 1.This Statement of Intent remains in effect for five years, and is renewable at that time.
- 2.Changes to this Statement of Intent can be made by BGCI when necessary.
- 3.This Statement of Intent does not restrict consortium participants from being involved with related activities outside of the GCC.
- 4.Consortium participants may withdraw at any time from the GCC by providing notice to BGCI and the Consortium Lead and Steering Committee, 30 days in advance.
- 5.This Statement of Intent does not commit consortium participants to provide any fiscal support, whether real or in-kind. Any activity involving reimbursement or transfer of funds between consortium participants will be agreed to separately.
- 6.Consortium Leads, Consortium Steering Committees, and Species Stewards can cite the GCC and use, unaltered, the GCC and Consortium logos and related materials to promote, advocate, or obtain funds individually; and should give appropriate acknowledgement and report such activities.
- 7.Consortium Affiliates can use the GCC and Consortium logos in fundraising or promotional materials where efforts align with the Consortium, pending the approval of the Consortium Lead.
- 8.Consortium participants will respect the confidentiality requirements of other consortium participants; will not use another participant's name or logo without prior written consent.
- 9.BGCI and each consortium participant shall bear sole responsibility for its own acts, omissions, and activities.

Adherence to BGCI's policies

The conduct of BGCI and its staff are guided by policies in the following areas:

- Anti-bribery and corruption
- Anti-harassment and bullying
- Dignity at work
- Equality, diversity and inclusion
- Safeguarding

These are available on the BGCI website. In carrying out their work as part of the GCC, participants are expected to conform to these policies through following our Code of Conduct.



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