



Evidence to Action

Research to Address Illegal Wildlife Trade
9 October 2018 • London, UK

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CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

Opens – 15th June 2018

Closes – 6th July 2018

Background and Rationale

On 10th-11th October 2018, the UK Government will host a major Heads of Government conference on tackling the illegal wildlife trade (IWT), the [London 2018 IWT Conference](#). One of its central aims is to build coalitions between sectors, including researchers, private sector, NGOs, civil society (including the media) and governments.

To support this aim, five of the UK's most active IWT research organisations are planning a novel event entitled '*EVIDENCE TO ACTION: RESEARCH TO ADDRESS THE ILLEGAL WILDLIFE TRADE*' to be held at the Zoological Society of London on October 9th, 2018. The event will bring together researchers and end-users from across all sectors working on IWT, to find new ways of working together to tackle this complex topic. Research plays a central role in finding real-world solutions to the challenges posed by IWT, in ways that are evidence-based, and effective.

The event is jointly organised by [Oxford Martin Programme on the Illegal Wildlife Trade](#), [BIOSEC University of Sheffield](#), [Lancaster Environment Centre](#), the [Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology](#), and the [Zoological Society of London](#).

This event will cover the full range of areas in which research can support action, explicitly reaching across IWT stakeholder groups to learn from experience and build collaborations that can inform policy and action. We aim to be inclusive and seek a diversity of approaches and perspectives.

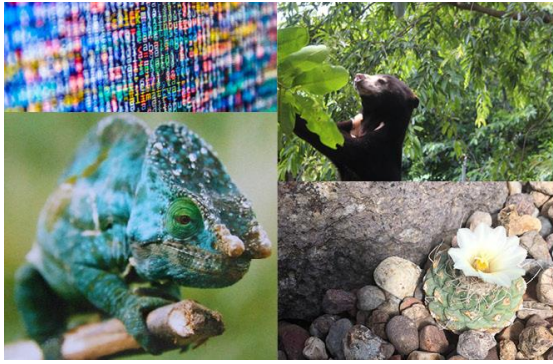
This event will focus on *Evidence to Action*, linked to the core aims of the London 2018 IWT Conference and structured around the UK government's four strategic pillars.

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London 2018 IWT Conference core aims:

- Tackling serious organised crime
- Building coalitions
- Closing markets for illegally traded wildlife

Four strategic pillars:

- Eradicating the market for illegal wildlife products
- Ensuring effective legal frameworks and deterrents
- Strengthening law enforcement
- Supporting sustainable livelihoods and economic development

Expressions of Interest

We are calling for expressions of interest in contributing to the programme of this key event. More information on the formats and rationale can be found on the [programme page](#). The submission platform will officially open on June 15 so get ready.

Contributions should:

- address the pressing issues, gaps and evidence needs for effective action to tackle IWT,
- relate to the core aims and strategic pillars of the London 2018 IWT Conference,
- showcase and promote cross-sector collaborations and diverse perspectives,
- demonstrate how a strong evidence base can be used to shape robust conservation policy and guide effective action.

We encourage contributions from across the spectrum of those engaged in IWT-related research or applying an evidence-based approach to action to address IWT, including academics (from all disciplines, including natural and social scientists, and the humanities), conservation practitioners, policy partners, NGOs and/or representatives from the media.

Contribution Types

- **Mini Workshop** (2 or 4 hours, up to 30 participants) - for those who want to use the event as an opportunity to organise a session bringing key IWT stakeholders to the table to produce specific outputs or build cross-sector coalitions to further illegal wildlife trade research and practice.

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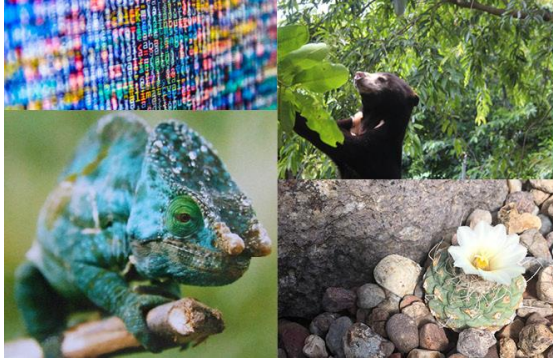
- **Panel Discussion** (1 or 2 hours) - for those who wish to organise an open discussion around a particular topic (such as a hot issue, methodological challenge, or innovative approach). The panel can have a flexible format including presentations, question-and-answer sessions and/or facilitated discussions. There is the possibility for live-streaming depending on desire and budget.
- **Visual Presentation** (1 hour) - for those who want to use their imagination to rethink how to present their work in a visual way, such as a poster or visual installation. This will be the opportunity to showcase your work and network with other delegates one-on-one in a more informal setting.

Please note that we are not able to accept proposals for individual papers or presentations for mini workshop or panel discussion. If you wish to present as an individual, then please apply for a visual presentation contribution.

When submitting your contribution for review, please ensure that you fill out the online form and include the Word form below as an attachment (depending on your preferred format).

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Visual Presentation

Lead contact

Full name	Affiliation
Email	Twitter handle (optional)

If the lead contact is not the presenter, please provide the presenter's details below

Full name	Affiliation
Email	Twitter handle (optional)

Full list of authors (full names and affiliations)

Select the London Conference strategic pillars and core aims which your proposal primarily addresses (you may select more than one)

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Title (max 100 characters)

Summary of the presentation (ensuring that you explain the process from evidence to action that your contribution addresses, max 2000 characters)

Key words (up to five)

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Panel Discussion

Lead Organiser

Full name

Affiliation

Email

Twitter handle (optional)

Full list of organisers (full names and affiliations)

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Summary of the planned style and length of the panel discussion (max 2000 characters)

Key words (up to five)

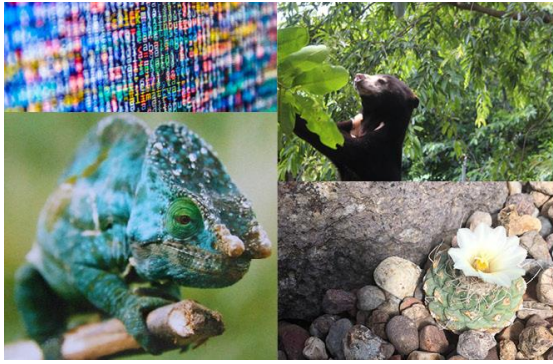
Proposed presenters (full names and affiliations; please mark those who have agreed with a *)

Please explain the reasoning for this set of presenters, particularly highlighting its potential for promoting diversity of perspectives. (max 2000 characters)

Any other relevant information (including the potential for sponsorship or planned outputs, max 2000 characters)

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Mini Workshop

Lead Organiser

Full name

Affiliation

Email

Twitter handle (optional)

Full list of organisers (full names and affiliations)

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Summary of the proposed content (ensuring that you explain the process from evidence to action that your contribution addresses, max 2000 characters)

Summary of the planned style and length of the mini workshop (max 2000 characters)

Key words (up to five)

Proposed invited participants (full names and affiliations; please mark those who have agreed with a *)

Please explain the reasoning for this set of participants, particularly highlighting its potential for promoting diversity of perspectives. (max 2000 characters)

Please indicate if you have room for more participants and if so, which profile would best contribute to your workshop goal. (max 2000 characters)

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