

# Searching for Success in Connecting Communities, Conservation & Livelihoods



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Research Network

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**How do communities protect their environment  
and sustain their local economy at the same time?  
How can governments help local communities?**



# Communities





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# **Community Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods**



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**+ *Positive  
Government  
Engagement***



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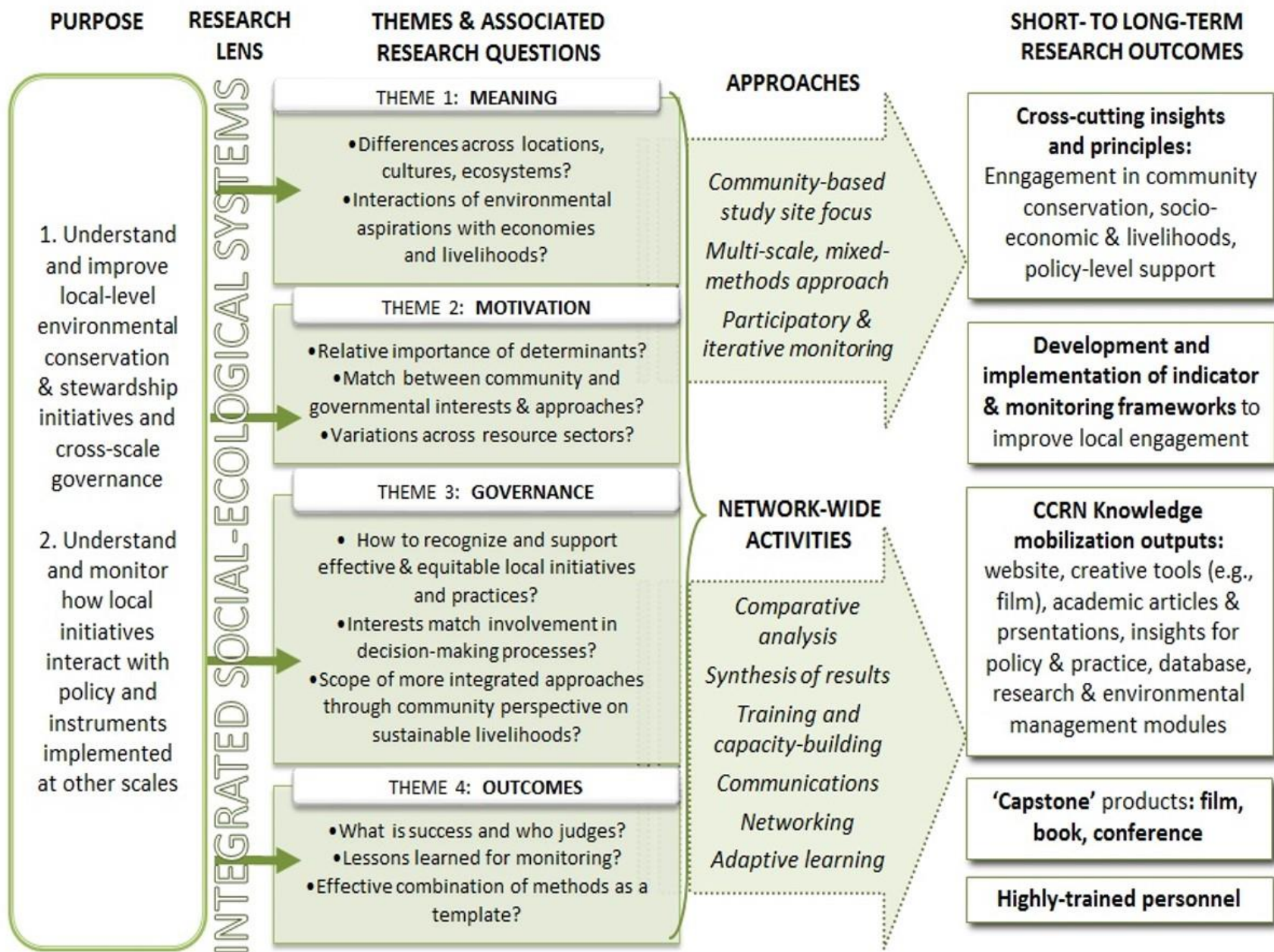
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CCRN links local communities, conservation and sustainable livelihoods to address environmental and economic challenges, and find best practices of governance.

The CCRN is a partnership of indigenous, community, university, governmental and NGOs based at Saint Mary's University in Halifax.

The CCRN is using an SES framework to compare and synthesize research worldwide... community experiences in conservation that benefits the well-being of local residents.







Mainstreaming climate change in the **Coquimbo Region, Chile**



Why do communities conserve? Lessons from Samudram Women's Federation in **Odisha, India**



Recognising rights and integrating local knowledge into an estuary management plan in the **Olifants Estuary: South Africa**



Aboriginal fishing rights, livelihoods, and resource conservation. Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council, **Vancouver Island, Canada**



Developing a community-based Innu Nation environmental policy in **Natuashish, Labrador, Canada**



Strengthening the capacity for ecosystem change in coastal communities: the spiny lobster fishery of **Punta Allen, Quintana Roo, Mexico**



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## Key Messages from the CCRN

1. Community conservation essential to livelihoods & economies.
2. Involving local communities leads to better sustainability results.
3. Excluding communities leads to conflict and management failure.
4. Conservation efforts must properly use community knowledge.
5. Must learn to 'scale up' and 'scale down' to maximize benefits.

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# GOVERNING THE COASTAL COMMONS

COMMUNITIES, RESILIENCE AND TRANSFORMATION



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## Resource Centre

The CCRN provides a global learning and resource platform on community-based conservation and broadly, the relationships between Community, Conservation and Livelihoods. Please take some time to browse our ever-growing resources which include an interactive Communities in Action map, Community Stories from around the world, Publications on a wide range of environmental topics, Webinars, Videos, Radio clips, etc.



### Community Stories

Stories that showcase a fresh perspective & insightful approach to community conservation & sustainable livelihoods, within a local environmental, cultural & political context.

[BROWSE COMMUNITY STORIES](#)



### Webinars

The Community Conservation Research Network's 10 part webinar series is an in-depth exploration of the themes central to the CCRN: communities, conservation and livelihoods.

[BROWSE WEBINAR VIDEOS](#)



### Communities in Action

Contribute to our growing, global database and share the efforts of a local community with this unique, knowledge-sharing network and interactive map.

[EXPLORE OR CONTRIBUTE](#)



### Community Conservation Guidebooks

View our community conservation guidebooks. These resources focus on Governance and Social-Ecological Systems respectively. View these frameworks in PDF or interactive format.

[SOCIAL ECOLOGICAL SYSTEMS GUIDEBOOK](#)

[GOVERNANCE GUIDEBOOK](#)



### Videos

The following videos and short documentaries are produced by researchers and organizations of many forms, all conveying important insights and experiences on the linkages of Communities, Conservation and Livelihoods.

[VIEW CCRN VIDEOS](#)



### Governing the Coastal Commons

An examination of how coastal communities adapt to environmental change, approaches to governing the coastal commons, emphasizing a social-ecological systems perspective, and the role of resilience and transformation.

[READ BOOKLET](#)

# Communities in Action

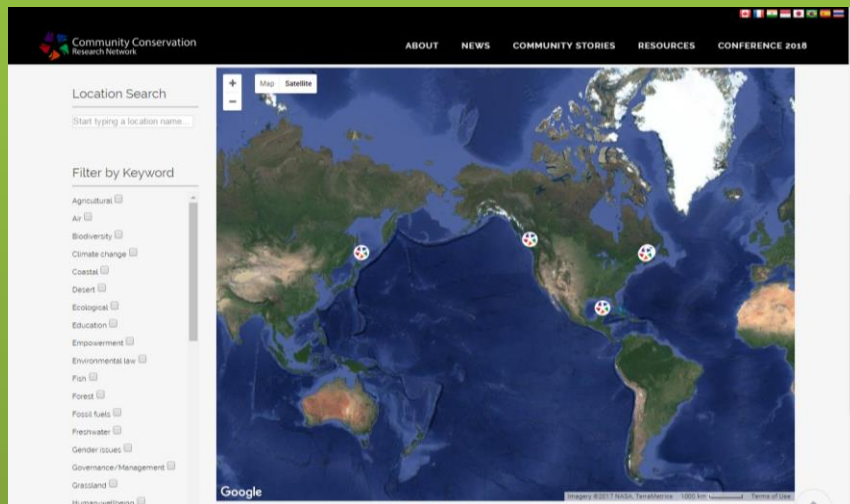
## A World of Communities, Conservation & Livelihoods

Around the world, local communities are working hard to keep their environment healthy and their economy and livelihoods sustainable.

### What is “Communities in Action”?

An online initiative to showcase these experiences of local communities working to protect their environment and their livelihoods.

An interactive map highlighting the global extent of community conservation.



To submit a community story to  
*Communities in Action*, go to:

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sustainable livelihoods, and government engagement.

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