



5 years of continuous support



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INTRODUCTION

Dear FOGS partners, With your continuous support we were able to not only help preserve critical and irreplaceable ecosystems, but also create sustainable livelihood opportunities for the most vulnerable and develop programs that contribute to economic development for Suriname. All FOGS partners played an important role in the successful implementation of these activities. Our FOGS Council is a key factor when it comes to developing and reviewing ideas and activities in order for them to be aligned with Suriname's core values, business directions and environmental objectives. The Friends of Green Suriname program is the inspirational factor for CI Suriname to fulfill its mission to create a viable environment and a sustainable society, where we can ensure that future generations will reap the good fruits that we sow in this lifetime. I would like to thank you once more for your interest in the Friends of Green Suriname Program and I am sure that this report will give you an oversight of the most needed and feasible programs: programs that couldn't be realized without your support! We welcome all your suggestions to safeguard the quality of our programs and are looking forward to your significant involvement.



John Goedschalk

Executive Director, Conservation International Suriname



THE FRIENDS OF GREEN SURINAME: OUR LOCAL SUPPORTING HEROES

5 years of friends of Green Suriname

Since its inception in 2014, the Friends of Green Suriname has been a support for Conservation International Suriname in carrying out our projects. The idea to involve the Surinamese business community in co-

supporting our mission has grown into a successful initiative after roughly 5 years. From 19 companies in 2014 to 17 companies in 2019, we can proudly say that entrepreneurs in Suriname have a solid heart for their country and its nature.

Through the Friends of Green Suriname, companies can invest directly in the conservation and restoration of our Surinamese biodiversity and contribute to our efforts to secure our long-term need for food, water and energy. ■

friends of green Suriname **IMPACT COUNCIL**



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After having achieved successful results through the Friends of Green Suriname as a great accelerator for the projects and mission of CI Suriname, the next step was to establish a FoGS Impact Council to strengthen the partnership between CI and its Friends. In 2018, the FOGS

impact council was installed, consisting of Mr. Egon von Voidl (Courtyard Marriott), Ms. Enid Bergval (Staatsolie) and Ms. Margarita van der Zwart (Surinaamse Brouwerij).

The FoGS Impact Council acts as a business advisory board to Conservation International Suriname. Members of the

FoGS impact Council offer their talent, professional expertise, their extensive knowledge of constituent perspectives within the Surinamese economic landscape, their connections with local, national or international sources and colleagues, their philanthropic support of other forms and their good practices. ■

FORWARD WITH THE FRIENDS OF GREEN SURINAME

Since the beginning of 2020 we came to realize the true meaning of the well-known phrase; “Nature doesn’t need us, we need nature”, now that Mother Earth has given us a ‘reset’ button to rethink

our responsibility regarding nature and our environment. Let’s use these challenging times of COVID-19 in a positive way, refocus and guarantee our support to nature’s causes. With the support of our friends, we want to

deepen and expand our activities. We are therefore actively looking for opportunities to increase green growth and improve our strategies, that sometimes need immediate actions! ■

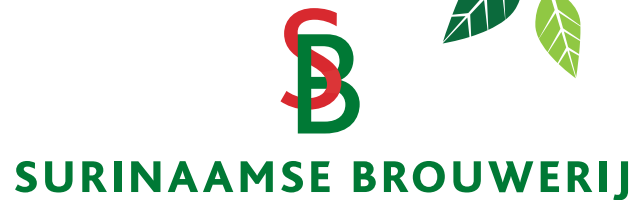
Current friends of green Suriname



Multimedia – Promotion – Consultancy
Community Development



Paramaribo



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OUR WORK HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST YEAR

MARINE

FISHERIES

Last year, CIS started working on the Community Fisheries Improvement Project with

Cynoscion Acoupa and *Cynoscion virescens* artisanal driftnet fisheries. Our goal is certification (either MSC, Fair Trade or similar) of this fishery to contribute to socio-economic development, food security and enhanced livelihoods. To achieve this, we first need to collect data on the fishery.



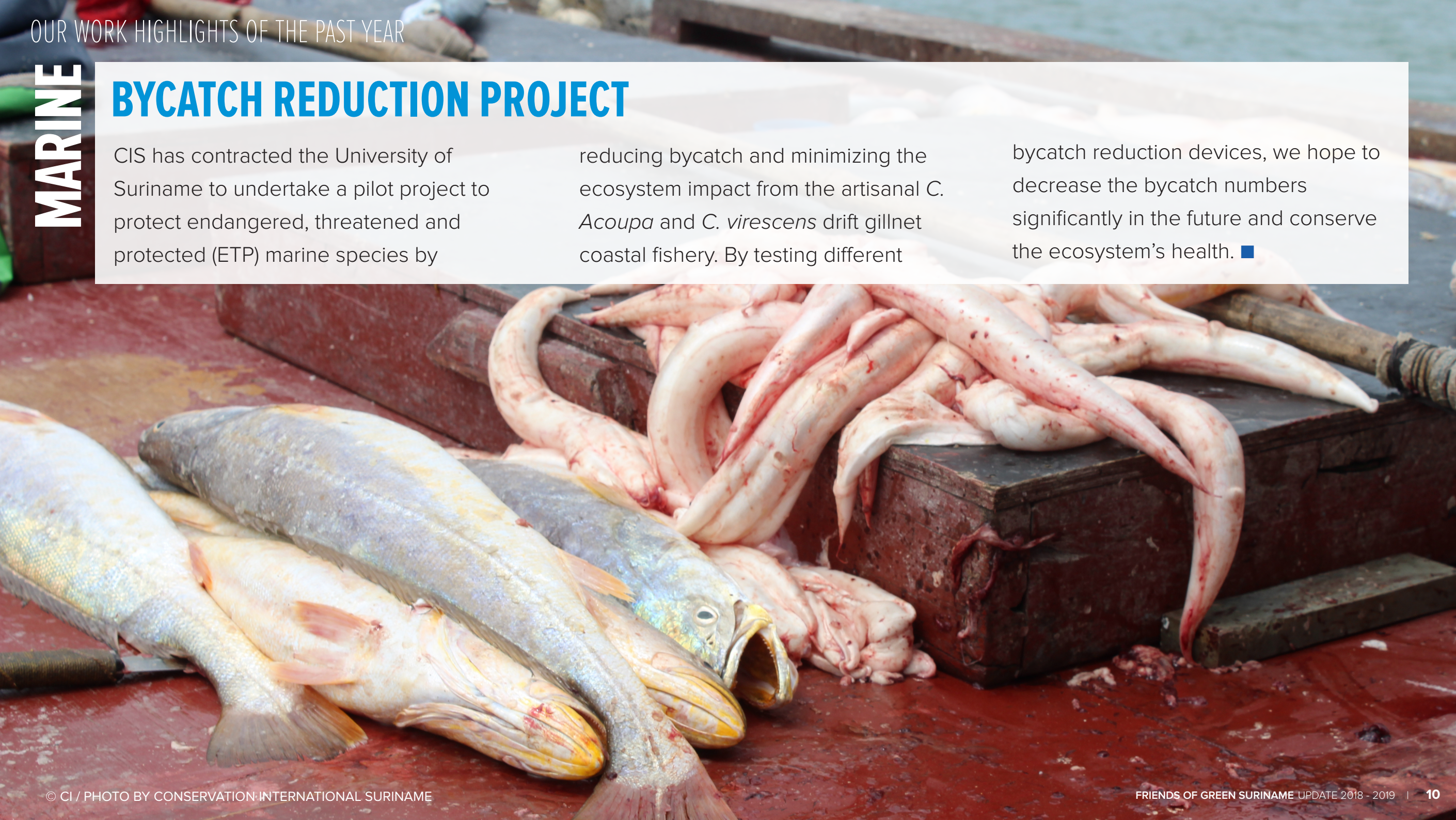
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BYCATCH REDUCTION PROJECT

CIS has contracted the University of Suriname to undertake a pilot project to protect endangered, threatened and protected (ETP) marine species by

reducing bycatch and minimizing the ecosystem impact from the artisanal *C. Acoupa* and *C. virescens* drift gillnet coastal fishery. By testing different

bycatch reduction devices, we hope to decrease the bycatch numbers significantly in the future and conserve the ecosystem's health. ■



MARINE

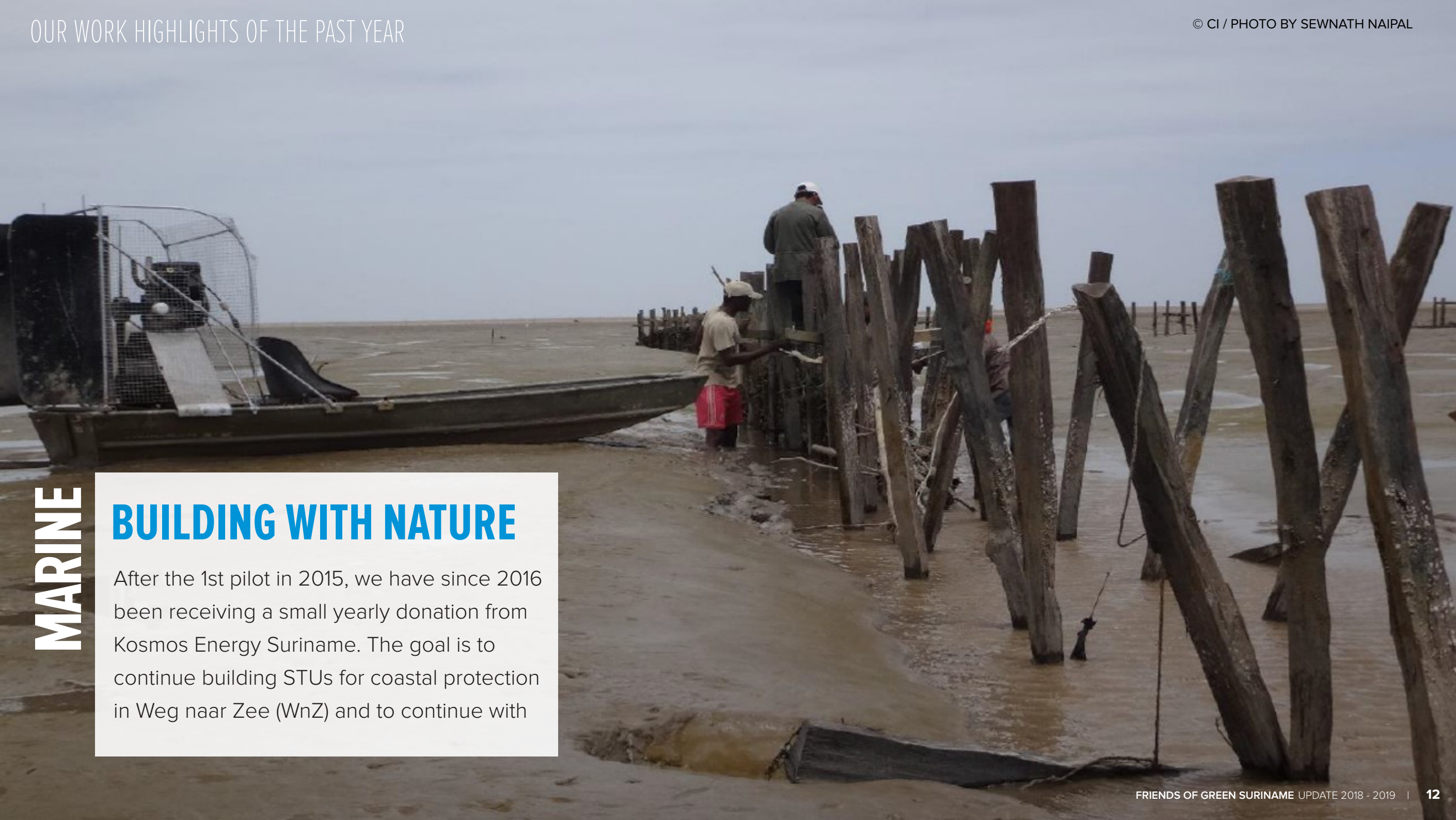
DATA COLLECTION – ONBOARD MONITORING PROGRAM & LIFE CYCLE RESEARCH

The onboard monitoring program is being carried out according to the data collection form developed by Tomas Willems, Marine consultant at CIS. The boat captains are trained in filling out this form or collecting data on fish catches and bycatch of ETP-species. The captains have received an onboard guide for the

identification of marine endangered, threatened and protected and other key species of the Guianas which makes it easy for them to identify ETP-species with which they are not familiar. Additionally, the fishermen are collecting data on the reproduction/ life cycle of the target fish. ■

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MARINE

BUILDING WITH NATURE

After the 1st pilot in 2015, we have since 2016 been receiving a small yearly donation from Kosmos Energy Suriname. The goal is to continue building STUs for coastal protection in Weg naar Zee (WnZ) and to continue with

nurseries. From 2017, the community was gradually involved and in 2018 they set up their own foundation, “Volunteers Weg naar Zee” to support the activities at WnZ. Kosmos IV started on March 1, 2020, where the foundation is working on community mangrove tourism called

“Mangrove Community Empowerment project”. The community is 100% involved and are offered training tools to conduct mangrove tourism in this area and a number of mangrove rangers will be trained. Due to the COVID19 crises, the trainings have been postponed. The STU

that is being built is also called a community STU, so that the people who live directly along the water in this area learn to make their own STU "at their doorstep". The community will also be employed in order to stimulate ownership. ■

NATIONAL WILDLIFE PROGRAM

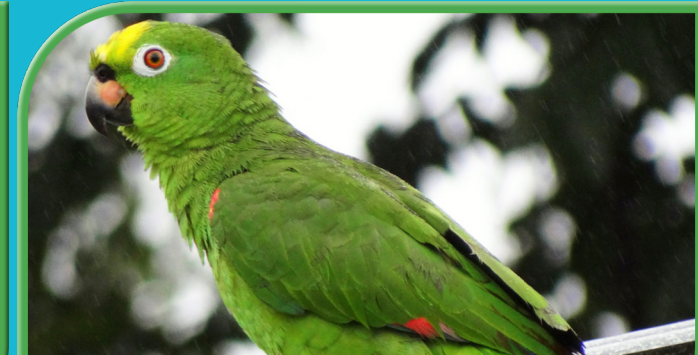
Conservation International Suriname started their national wildlife program early 2017. Where, the first years was focused on fact-finding regarding illegal trade in wildlife, sports hunting and poaching and other wildlife related issues. After which, the first phase focused on gathering baseline population data of the 9 priority species selected by CIS, in partnership with other organizations and experts. This however has only commenced for the jaguar and partly for the spider monkey, due to lack of funding.



BLUE-CHEEKED AMAZON • BLAUWWANGAMAZONE
AMAZONA DUFRESNIANA



ORANGE-WINGED AMAZON • ORANJEVLEUGELAMAZONE • KULEKULE
AMAZONA AMAZONICA



YELLOW-CROWNED AMAZON • GEELVOORHOOFDAMAZONE • GER EDE
AMAZONA OCHROCEPHALA



GIANT OTTER • REUZENOTTER • BIGIWATRADAGU
PTERONURA BRASILIENSIS



TAPIR • TAPIR • BOFROE
TAPIRUS TERRESTRIS



BLACK SPIDER MONKEY • ZWARTE SLINGERAAP • KWATA
ATELES PANISCUS



JAGUAR • JAGUAR • PENITIGRI
PANTHERA ONCA



OCELOT • OCELOT • ETIGRIKATI
LEOPARDUS PARDALIS



PUMA • PUMA • REDITIGRI
PUMA CONCOLOR

CI SURINAME'S PRIORITY SPECIES FOR THE WILDLIFE PROGRAM

JAGUAR PROTECTION IN SURINAME



JAGUAR • JAGUAR • PENITIGRI
PANTHERA ONCA

Our work with religious leaders in Suriname on illegal jaguar trade inspired Suriname's Chinese community to support a broader awareness campaign to educate the Surinamese, Chinese and Brazilian communities to stop jaguar hunting. Billboards, posters and other

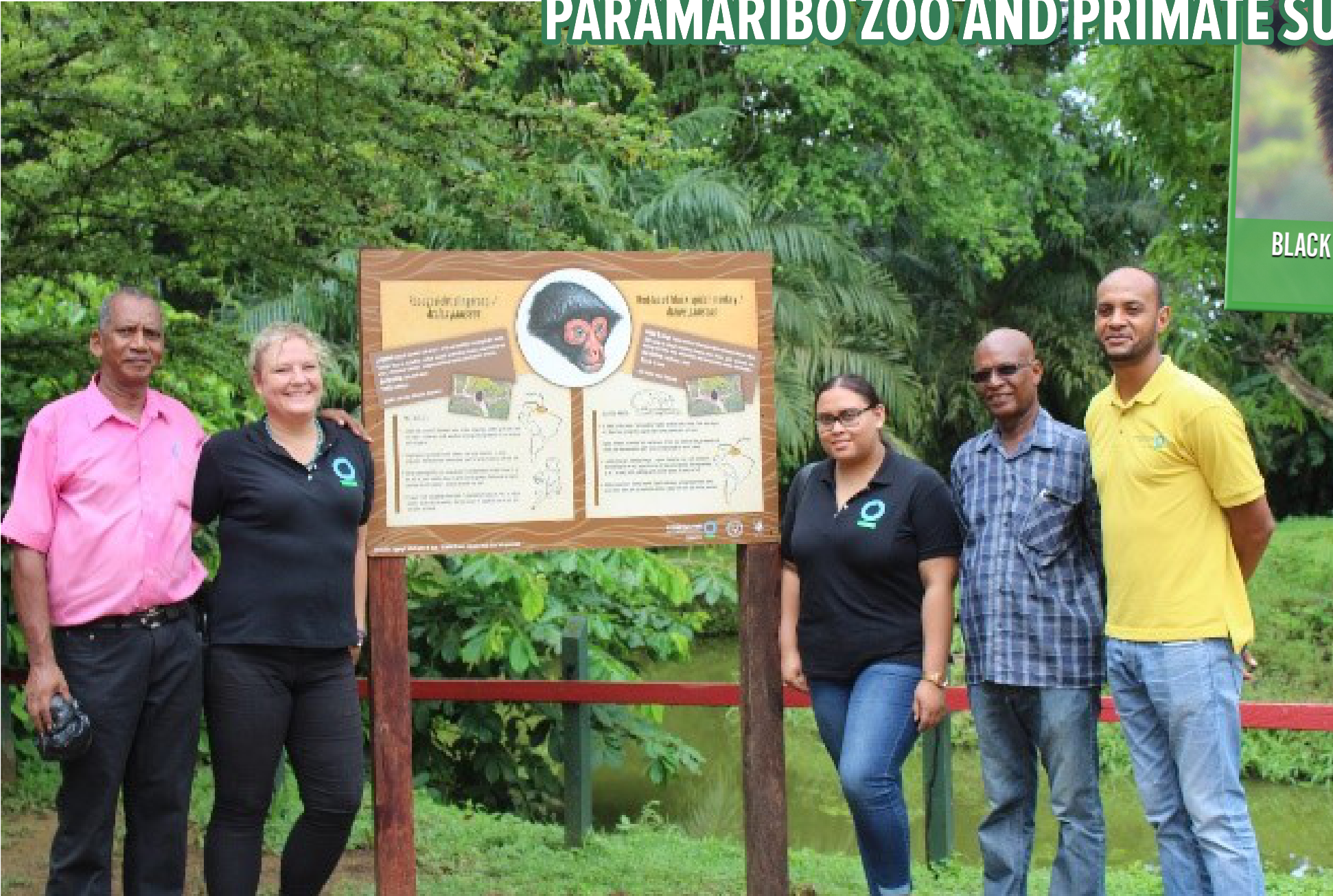
communications materials are circulating throughout Paramaribo and in communities the interior. A third phase of the campaign is in the making -looking into television and radio, and community-based dialogs. Several Surinamese communities have been asking for more awareness material (especially in Portuguese) and educational sessions on this topic.



SPIDER MONKEY ADOPTION AT PARAMARIBO ZOO AND PRIMATE SURVEYS



**BLACK SPIDER MONKEY • ZWARTE SLINGERAAP • KWATA
*ATELES PANISCUS***



CI Suriname collaborated with the Paramaribo Zoo to adopt the “Spider Monkey Island” enclosure, donating new signs and support for educational materials with donations from the Friends of Green Suriname. Primates are indicator species – their presence is a key indicator of a healthy forest. CIS’ wildlife team is also working with local communities in South Suriname to collect data and monitor primate populations and overall forest biodiversity.

OUR WORK HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST YEAR **WILDLIFE**

In the fight against the illegal jaguar trade, CI's Suriname Program Manager, Els van Lavieren, has been designated Suriname's representative for Panthera. Panthera, the leading global organization for wild cat conservation, seeks to ensure a future for wildcats and the vast landscapes on which they depend. Together with Panthera we are designing Suriname's national jaguar monitoring strategy. This year CIS field staff, government rangers, staff from the National Zoological Collection Suriname and others were trained in jaguar monitoring techniques by Panthera experts Bart Harmsen and Valeria Boron. In October 2019, camera traps were installed in the regions of Laarwijk, Peperpot and Tamanredjo -known for high numbers of jaguar.



PANTHERA CAMERA TRAPPING PILOT



WILDLIFE AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year our wildlife team together with volunteers held awareness activities with schools and at festivals across Suriname's capital of Paramaribo. Our goal: to raise awareness about nature conservation and wildlife preservation with Suriname's youth. Our staff was inundated with questions and our booths were consistently crowded. We received so much positive feedback that we will continue with similar efforts and are currently designing our phase 2 education and awareness activities.



FROM FOREST TO THE MAIN INGREDIENT IN LXMI 33 FACE OIL - STICHTING TUHKA'S FIRST EXPORT TO THE USA



For three years, the village of Alalapadu has been working closely with Conservation International Suriname (CIS) to conserve their forest and develop a community Brazil nut oil enterprise. In June 2019, Alalapadu and CIS signed a conservation agreement to conserve and monitor 235,000 hectares of forest. The agreement will ensure protection of the community forests and support improved livelihoods for the Alalapadu community. Important elements of this agreement are the improvement and expansion of Brazil nut oil production and the monitoring of sustainable harvesting activities.

OUR WORK HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST YEAR
NTFP'S

45 STORES IN SURINAME SELL TUHKA OIL – BRAZIL NUT OIL BRAND PRODUCED IN ALALAPADU

At the beginning of March 2019, HEM Suriname, one of Suriname's largest distribution companies, took over local distribution of Tuhka oil which is now available in more than 45 stores across the country.



Zij verkopen

TUHKA

NATURAL BRAZIL NUT OIL

100% ORGANIC - MADE IN SU

PARAMARIBO

- DIO/DA DROGISTERIJEN
- KET MIEN & CO
- M. OEMAR
- READYTEX N.V.
- SOMA APOTHEEK
- ALI'S DRUGSTORE
- CHOI'S SUPERMARKETS
- GALAXY TORARICA
- LIN A MIN COSMETICA
- COMBE MARKT
- FLAMINGO STORE
- BEST MART
- APOTHEEK POLANEN
- LELYZORG APOTHEEK
- ZESHA DRUGSTORE
- APOTHEEK FARMAVIDA
- MERIAM DRUGSTORE
- HEALTH & RITUALS DRUGSTORE
- CONNECTION APOTHEEK
- BRAHMA
- KAY STORE
- G-SALE SUPERMARKT
- BIK FOENG SUPERMARKT
- LATOUR DRUGSTORE

NICKERIE

- FUNG APOTHEEK
- WANG WANG SUPERMARKT
- TIAN KE LONG

OUR WORK HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST YEAR NTFP'S

500 LITERS OF TUHKA OIL EXPORTED TO US COSMETICS COMPANY LXMI

On September 10th, Stichting Tuhka exported their first 500 liters of Tuhka oil to the US cosmetic company LXMI (www.lxmi.com).

Partnership with Conservation International

With LXMI 33 being our strongest act of environmental commitment to date, we have partnered with environmental non-profit Conservation International and the Trio Tribe in South Suriname to protect a rare kind of Brazil nut oil sourced directly from the Alalapadu community of Suriname in the Amazon.

This project enables the Alalapadu community to protect 235,000 hectares of virgin rainforest including wildlife. That's the equivalent of approximately 4.8 football fields of Amazon rainforest per LXMI 33 bottle! The landmark agreement not only improves the livelihood of the people in the Alalapadu community, but also helps save the planet's largest reserve of rare plants, essential to our future.

Founded in 1987, Conservation International works in more than 30 countries on six continents to ensure a healthy, prosperous planet that supports all. The non-profit uses science, policy, and partnerships to protect the nature that people rely on for food, fresh water and livelihoods.



With the earnings from this order, Stichting Tuhka purchased additional equipment for the factory and paid the salaries of the employees & nut collectors.



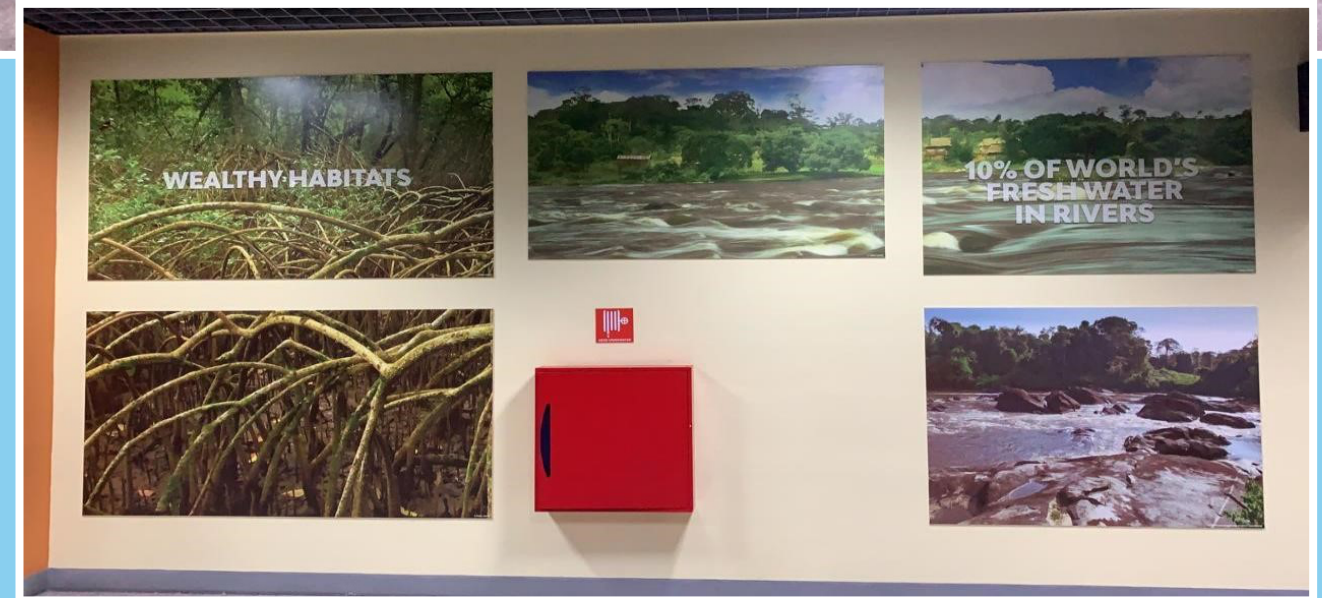
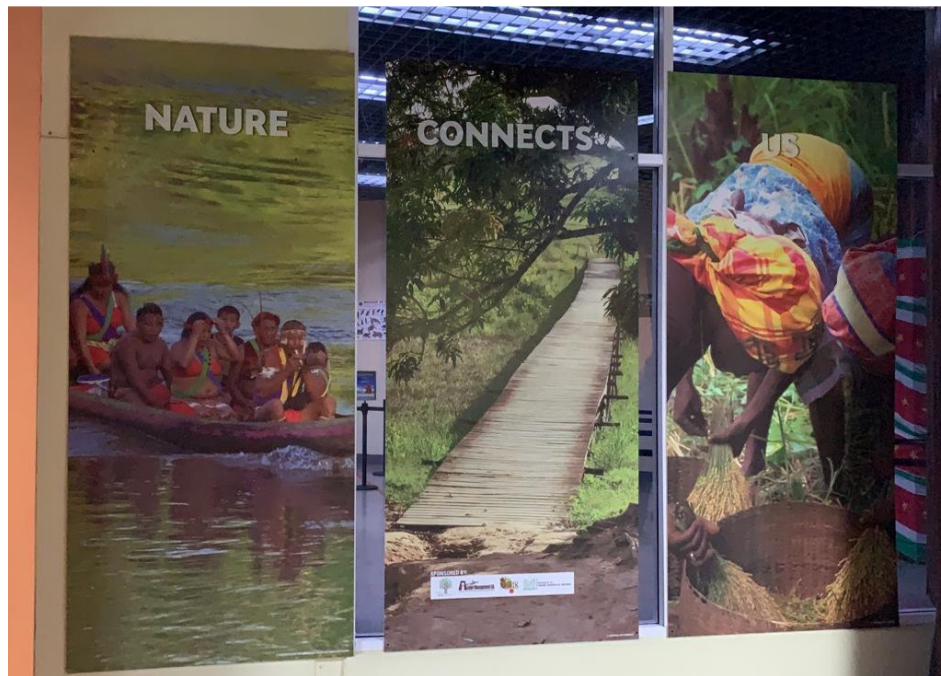
Collaboration with the Friends

Last year we have been able to work together with the Friends of Green Suriname on various activities, which resulted into great products.

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In November 2018, CIS contributed to **the nature branding of the Johan Adolf Pengel (Zanderij) arrival hall.**



Collaboration with the Friends



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In March 2019, CIS organized a **FOGS gala dinner** in Courtyard Marriott Paramaribo, where the successes of the past year were shared with the friends, after which they could enjoy a 5-course menu together.

Collaboration with the Friends



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Followed by a **cleanup**, which was organized in collaboration with **stichting Suresur**, where the Friends were given the opportunity to help with the cleaning **at Abra Broki** together with their staff.

Collaboration with the Friends

Last year we collaborated with Telesur on developing **Telesur prepaid mobile cards “wildlife edition”**. On which 4 of our wildlife species, the yellow-headed Amazon, the jaguar, the giant otter and the black spider monkey, have been printed on the SRD. 10 prepaid mobile cards.



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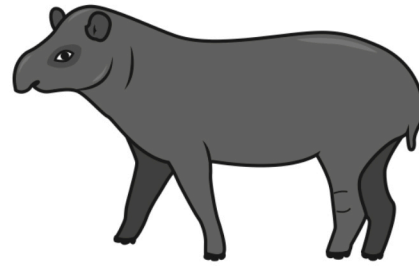
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Collaboration with the Friends

We also collaborated with the Surinaamse Brouwerij in developing the **wildlife themed coasters**, whereby the tapir was chosen for the first edition. For the next print, the jaguar, black spider monkey and ocelot are scheduled.

Suriname's Wildlife Priority Species

TAPIR *Tapirus terrestris*



FACT: VULNERABLE DUE TO HUNTING, HABITAT DESTRUCTION AND HUMAN DISTURBANCE



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Suriname's Wildlife Priority Species

BLACK SPIDER MONKEY *Ateles paniscus*



FACT: VULNERABLE DUE TO HUNTING, HABITAT LOSS, DEGRADATION & HUMAN DISTURBANCE



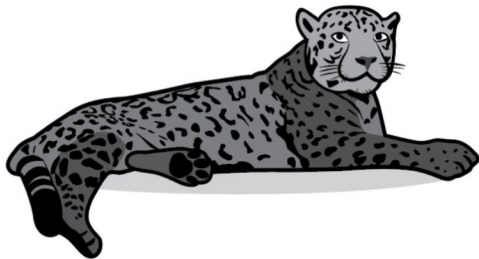
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Suriname's Wildlife Priority Species

JAGUAR *Panthera onca*



FACT: NEAR THREATENED DUE TO HABITAT LOSS, HUMAN-WILDLIFE CONFLICT & POACHING



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Suriname's Wildlife Priority Species

OCELOT *Leopardus pardalis*



FACT: DECREASING POPULATION DUE TO HUMAN-WILDLIFE CONFLICT, POACHING & DEFORESTATION



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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Financial reporting fiscal year 2019

Between the period of July 2018 – June 2019, we have received a total of \$ 75,469 from the Friends of Green Suriname Program in kind and financial donations. The illustration below shows the total income and expenditure for the fiscal year 2019 (pie chart).

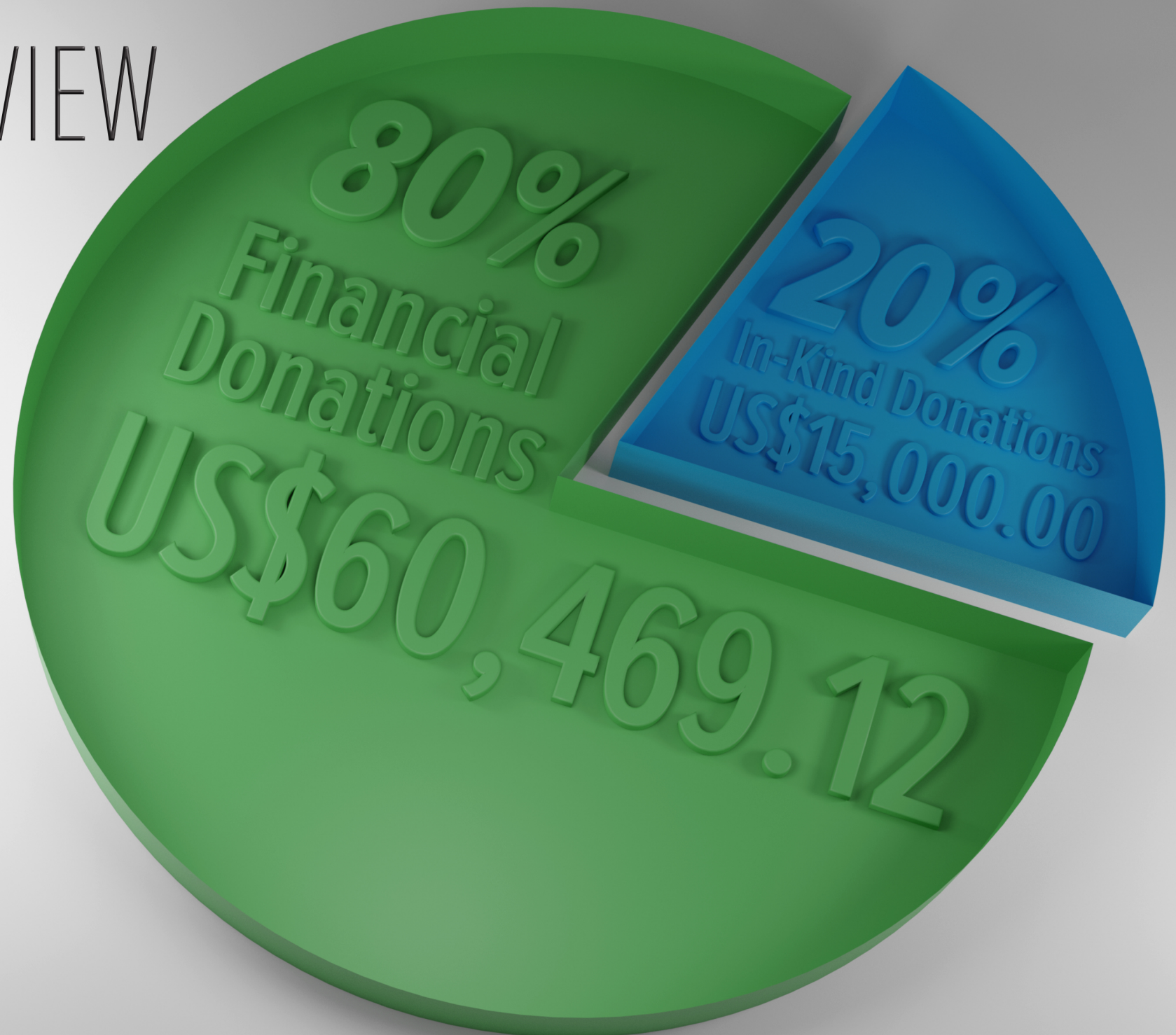
July 2018 - June 2019

INCOME

TOTAL RECEIVED:

Financial Donations US\$60,469.12
+ In-Kind Donations US\$15,000.00

= **US\$75,469.12**



28.09% Communicatie & Events US\$16,991.80

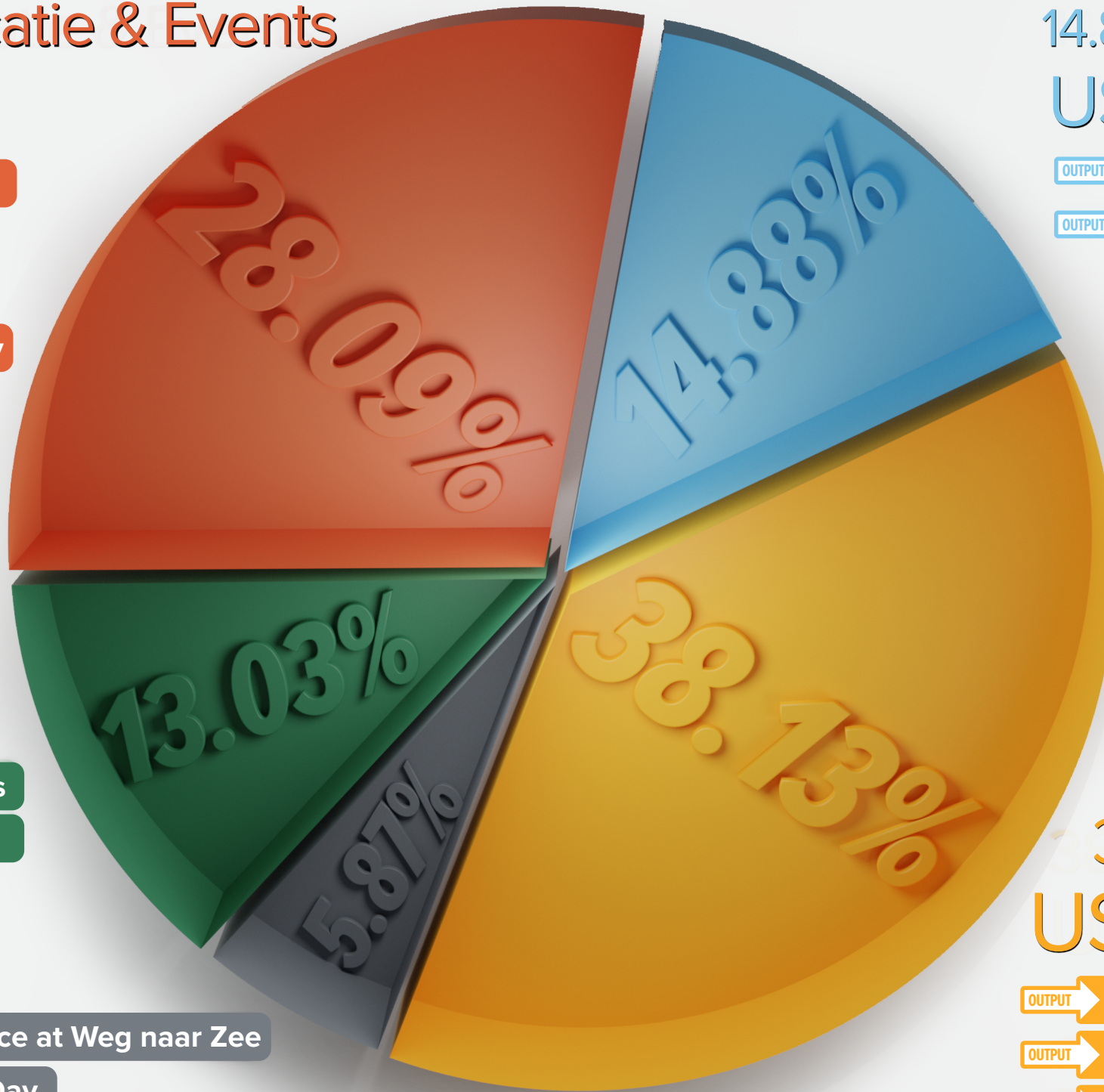
- OUTPUT → Suresur Clean up with FOGS
- OUTPUT → FOGS Gala Diner
- OUTPUT → YFOGS events
- OUTPUT → Villa Zapakara Virtual Reality
- OUTPUT → FOGS Annual Report

13.03% Wildlife US\$7,884.54

- OUTPUT → 1 Jaguar Campaign
- OUTPUT → 1 Spider monkey adoption sign at Paramaribo Zoo
- OUTPUT → 2 Wildlife awareness activities
- Wildlife field visits

5.87% BwN US\$3,553.97

- OUTPUT → 1 Community STU maintenance at Weg naar Zee
- OUTPUT → 1 Environmental Awareness Day



14.88% Fisheries US\$9,000.00

- OUTPUT → 1 Bycatch Reduction Project
- OUTPUT → 1 Onboard monitoring program & life cycle research

July 2018 - June 2019

OUTPUT

FINANCIAL INPUT:
US\$60,496.92

38.13% NTFP's US\$23,066.61

- OUTPUT → 1 Tuhka Promotional Merchandize
- OUTPUT → 1 Tuhka Marketing
- OUTPUT → 1 Tuhka Website

INTRODUCING...

TEAM

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Suriname

Conservation International Suriname has been able to expand its portfolio in terms of projects and has grown to become an organization of 20 team members.

As a project organization, we work primarily in multidisciplinary teams. Per project there is a project leader who is supported by colleagues depending on the type of project.



TROPIC

TEAMWORK RESPECT

OPTIMISM PASSION

INTEGRITY COURAGE

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Suriname



Our Mission

Building upon a strong foundation of science, partnership and field demonstration, Conservation International empowers societies to responsibly and sustainably care for nature, our global biodiversity, for the well-being of humanity.

Our Vision

We imagine a healthy, prosperous world in which societies are forever committed to caring for and valuing nature, for the long-term benefit of people and all life on Earth.

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