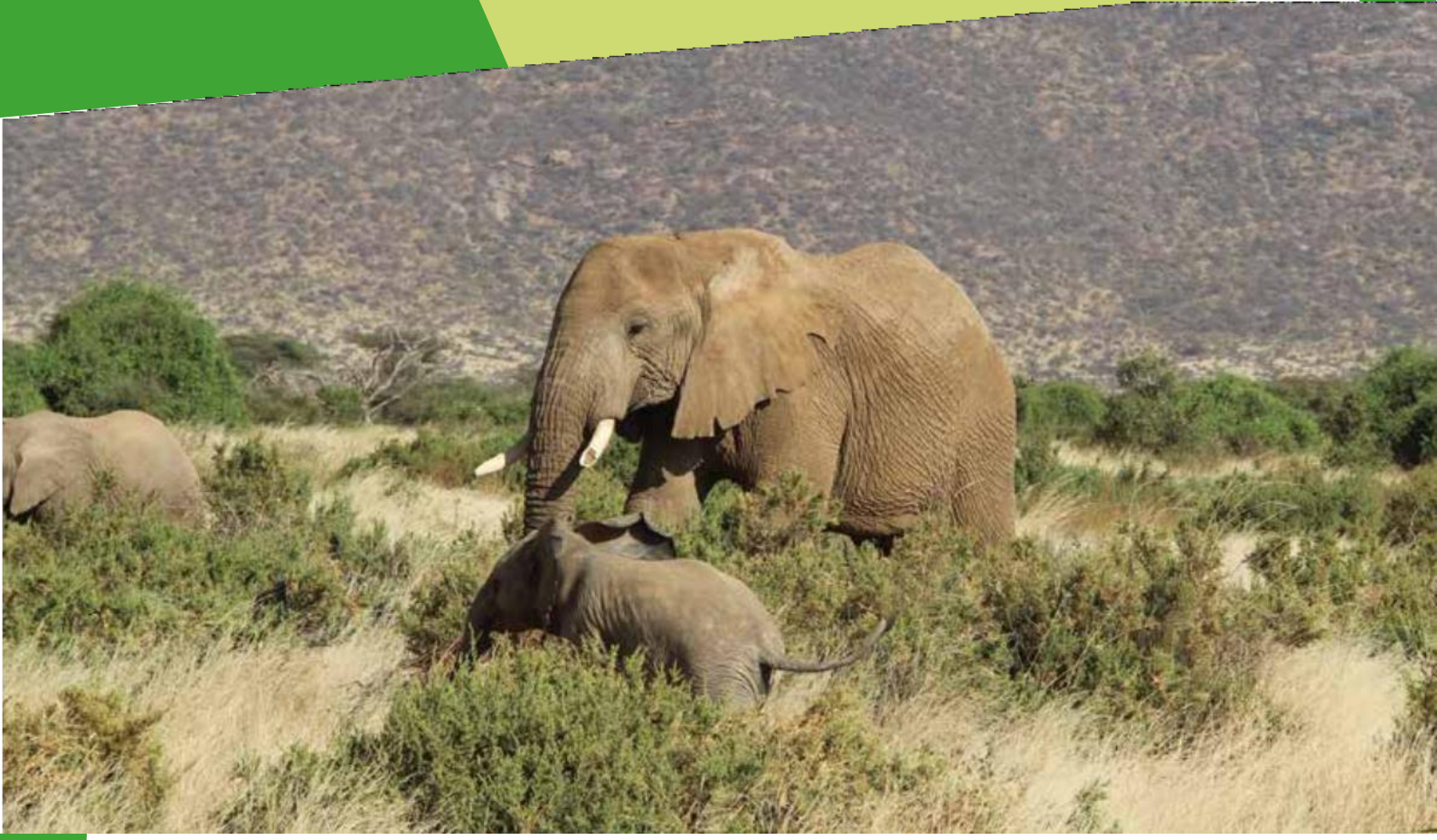

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West Africa Projects

Benin

Understanding of commercialization channels of ivory and ivory based products between Cote d'ivore, Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger and Togo (2013)

The project undertook a study of the ivory market channels in Ivory Coast, Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger and Togo, with the aim of developing national and joint strategic action plans to reduce illegal trade in ivory.

Burkina Faso

Reinforcement of the human-elephant conflict management capabilitiesin Burkina Faso (2014)

The primary goal of the project was to assess human-elephant conflict incidents in order to develop human-elephant conflict prevention strategies that can be adopted in all affected areas to reinforce prevention capabilities in Burkina Faso.

Burkina Faso/Benin/Niger

Awareness projects for the fight against elephants' poaching in the cross-border biosphere of the W Reserve (PSLAB/RBTW) (2016)

The project was aimed at developing awareness raising campaigns and engagement forums to enhance sub-regional cooperation between local communities and authorities on anti-poaching, preservation and the restoration of the ecosystem for sustainable development in W Reserve.

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Burkina Faso/Benin/Niger/Togo

Raising Awareness and Capacity Building of the Control Corps for the Fight Against Illegal Trafficking ofIvory in Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger and Togo (2024)

This project targets training of 120 law enforcement officers on detection and seizure of ivory and ivory products and setting up an information and exchange platform to fight against illegal trafficking of ivory andivory products.

Ghana

Mitigating Human-Wildlife Conflict Around Bia Conservation Area through Community Participation (2023)

This project aimed to empower the local community members living adjacent to the Bia Conservation Area (BCA) to institute measures to prevent crop raiding and mitigate human-elephant conflict.

Conservation of African Elephants in Mole and its Corridors (2022)

The objective of the project was to strengthen law enforcement within the Park, and enhance community collaboration to secure the Mole National Park elephant population and its corridors.

Enhancing community collaboration and law enforcement capacity for effective management of human-elephant conflict (HEC) and protection of Digya elephants (2021)

This project sought to strengthen the requisite capacity and resources available to the wildlife staff at the Digya National Park in elephant conservation and effective management of human-elephant conflicts (HEC) through training in anti-poaching operations, arrest and prosecution of wildlife crimes, human-elephant conflict management techniques, and being equipped with field supplies.

Reducing human-elephant conflict through improved monitoring, stakeholder engagementand law enforcement (2018)

This project aimed to build the capacity of farmers to safeguard crops and develop alternative cropping systems to enhance stakeholder engagements and law enforcement practices on the management of elephant populations.

Elephant conservation through law enforcementand stakeholder engagement in Mole National Park and its corridors (2017)

This project sought to monitor and safeguard the movement of elephants within the Mole National Park and to collaborate with local communities on mitigation strategies for reducing human-elephant conflicts.

Côte d'Ivoire

Improvement of knowledge of the elephants involved in the conflicts with human (2019)

This project aimed to monitor radio collared elephants involved in conflicts to strengthen range States' knowledge on management of injured elephants and improvement of protection and conservation of populations.

Mali

Strengthening law enforcement capacity in close collaboration with local communities to protect theGourma elephants (2018)

The primary objective of the project was to strengthen law enforcement capacity in Gourma by providing equipment to rangers and facilitating collaboration between rangers and local communities in patrolling and conducting anti-poaching missions.

Niger

Elephant conservation project in W Niger park (2022)

The purpose of the project was to establish sustainable management of elephants by reducing the rate of poaching, improving elephant monitoring, mitigating HEC, and reinforcing the capacity of local stakeholders to protect elephants.

Nigeria

Saving Nigeria's Largest Elephant Population in the Midst of COVID-19 (2022)

The project was geared towards sustaining effective anti-poaching patrols during a time when funding had dwindled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Supporting SMART ranger patrols at Yankari Game Reserve to strengthen law enforcement and reducing elephant poaching (2022)

The purpose of the project was to reduce illegal killing of elephants by providing resources for continued management of existing protected areas.

Improving Law Enforcement and Reducing Elephant Poaching in the Oban Division of CrossRiver National Park through SMART (2020)

This project aimed to improve protection of elephants in Oban by increasing the number, coverage and effectivenessof patrols, raising levels of awareness and community support for conservation of African elephants and equippingwildlife authority staff with appropriate tools to carry out their mission of conserving the elephants.

Using satellite collars to provide more effective elephant protection and reduce human-elephant conflict at Yankari Game Reserve (2016)

The main objective of the project was to research and pilot different mitigation strategies to reduce human-elephant conflict incidences as well as provide satellite collars to monitor prioritized populations within and amongst range States.

Supporting SMART-based Ranger Patrols atYankari Game Reserve to Strengthen Law Enforcement and Reduce Elephant Poaching (2016)

The project was geared towards reducing illegal killing of elephants and illegal trade in elephant products by providing support for SMART-based ranger patrols in Yankari Game Reserve.

Strengthen law enforcement and reducing elephant poaching at Yankari Game Reserve by providing rangers with basic field equipment (2013)

The aim of the project s to provide all rangers with basic field equipment to strengthen the capacity of lawenforcement to improve anti-poaching to reduce the illegal killings of elephants and illegal trade in ivory andother elephant products

Togo

Reduction of COVID-19 pandemic impact on elephant's conservation in Fazao-Malfakassa National Park (2023)

The objective of the project was to secure the elephant populations of the Fazao-Malfakassa National Park, through capacity building of conservation actors and the improvement of the living conditions of local communities.

Supporting the Integration of Local Communities into the Management of Elephants in Fazao-Malfakassa National Park (2021)

This project was aimed at reducing human-elephant conflict, sensitizing local communities on elephant conservation and improving their collaboration in elephant management in Fazao-Malfakassa National Park.

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