



EU-China Biodiversity Programme  
中国—欧盟生物多样性项目

# Field Project Summary

## Alashan Biodiversity Conservation Project



### The Challenge

The landscape of the Alashan League of Inner Mongolia consists mainly of desert and grassland ecosystems. A large part of the human population is herders. The region's biodiversity is rich in endemic and rare species but the ecosystems are fragile: the biodiversity resources are under pressure from overgrazing by goats, poaching, unregulated wildlife trade, infrastructure development and from irrigation and overexploitation of groundwater resources. At the same time, local capacity, planning and enforcement measures need to be strengthened.

### The Response

Bringing together important local authorities, research institutions and international partners, the project will support the local government to set up an interdepartmental coordination mechanism. It will also develop an overall biodiversity conservation and action planning framework and demonstrate sustainable livelihood development alternatives for local communities in critical areas for biodiversity.



### At A Glance

Project Start Time: February 29, 2008  
Project End Time: July 15, 2010  
Project ID: 00060891

#### Cooperating Agency

Alashan League Government

#### Partners

1. Italian CETMA Consortium
2. International Fund for China Environment (IFCE)
3. Alashan SEE Ecological Association (SEE)
4. Chinese Research Academy of Environment Sciences (CREAS)

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### Project Focus

- Establishment of a participatory biodiversity conservation management system for coordinated biodiversity conservation
- Endorsement and implementation of a Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) formulated by key stakeholders and endorsed by the Alashan Government
- Establishment of a baseline and monitoring framework for Alashan's biodiversity with key indicators
- Community support and demonstration activities for biodiversity conservation will be developed and tested
- Increase in biodiversity awareness among key stakeholders in the Alashan region through public education, and other activities



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