# Land–Use Solutions in Action

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## South Pole: Global Experience in Project Design, Development, and Finance



## Landscape Finance: Not for the Faint-Hearted...

### Key Challenges:

#### **Program and Project design:**

- Typically covering large areas
- Multiple stakeholders involved
- Nexus of Energy, Land, Industries, Cities, etc.
- Very long time-horizons. Issues of permanency



#### **Business case:**

- Business cases difficult to shape: What exactly is the investable instrument?
- Bankability of underlying business case
- Scalability of underlying business case
- Counterparty risk
- Currency risk

#### Watershed restoration Naivasha, Kenya COC Reforestation, clean cookstoves, water management

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Rstoration in Lake Naivasha basin for the improved management of water resource through reforestation activities and clean cookstoves for farmers.



### Peatland Restoration, Indonesia Reaching carbon and forest protection goals along the supply chain



Rewetting, fire prevention, and reforestation of degraded peatlands. Supplier - Purchaser Relations, across all key commodity supply chains: palm oil, patchouli, rapeseed,coconut



#### Restoration of degraded lands in Colombia Healing the Colombian rainforest after the gold rush



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3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

# Panda Habitat Protection through Clean Stoves, China Healthier people and protection of biodiversity



#### Landscape Finance Lab

#### Goals of the Multi-Stakeholder Platform:

- Integrated landscape management
- Link land, water and coastal resource management.
- Structure, de-risk, launch, and fund sustainable land use deals at landscape scale
- Covering millions of hectares, mobilising hundreds of millions of dollars
- Carbon sequestration, food security, poverty reduction and biodiversity conservation.

# Key Challenge: diverse deals – diverse financial instruments – diverse preferences / strategies of funders





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### Land for Impact Fund: Blended Finance -Grants, Loans and Payments for Ecosystem Services



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