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Grzimek was one of the first to heighten awareness and concern for wildlife and wilderness areas in Africa with his Oscar-winning film “Serengeti Shall Not Die.” His work brought recognition that global protection can preserve wild animal populations in Serengeti National Park and commenced Frankfurt Zoological Society’s global nature conservation programme.

Today our main focus is still based on his dream of conserving the Serengeti Ecosystem and its millions of animals as an intact migratory system and one of the most significant wildlife areas in the world.

Frankfurt Zoological Society began working in Serengeti National Park during the 1950’s and continues its work there today supporting Tanzania National Parks Authority (TANAPA) with training, resource protection and infrastructural assistance. Serengeti National Park embodies the beauty, heritage and the importance of wild areas that FZS strives to protect worldwide. Serengeti National Park remains at the core of FZS’s conservation work in Africa.

MONITORING
FZS works in close cooperation with the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute (TAWIRI), also founded by Professor Bernhard Grzimek, to assist in the coordination of all wildlife research in Tanzania. Over the years, support for TAWIRI from FZS has helped in carrying out animal censuses in the Serengeti Ecosystem, supporting scientific conferences and financing infrastructural needs.

RESOURCE PROTECTION
FZS works to ensure the integrity of the Serengeti Ecosystem by supporting park management, protection and monitoring efforts. FZS provides and maintains anti-poaching units for the Park’s rangers, and helps to ensure that they are well trained, and have access to the resources needed to effectively protect the Park’s precious wildlife and ecosystem.

RHINO
FZS has been instrumental in supporting TANAPA’s rhino conservation initiatives in the Park. FZS supports monitoring activities, anti-poaching units, vehicles and repatriation projects.

FZS believes that an ecosystem-based approach is essential for effective conservation and the well-being of the communities in the Serengeti Ecosystem. This approach recognises that people are an integral part of the Serengeti Ecosystem and that it is necessary to balance conservation goals with development needs. Threats to the ecosystem arise when natural resources are unsustainably used, and FZS therefore places particular emphasis on working with local communities and partners to identify and implement relevant solutions to conservation challenges.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
FZS believes that improving livelihoods through effective and sustainable use of natural resources is key to conservation-compatible development. Community Conservation Banks (COCOBAs) were initiated to promote access to microcredit schemes, encouraging conservation-friendly income generating activities while reducing dependency on illegal bush meat hunting.

EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES
FZS provides technical assistance to enable local communities to play a central role in ecosystem conservation and management through Community-Based Natural Resource Management institutions. FZS encourages communities to share benefits from conservation and effectively manage their resources by raising conservation awareness, building institutional capacity and facilitating land-use.

STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION
FZS helped establish the Serengeti Ecosystem Community Conservation Forum (SECCF) to foster collaboration and communication among the variety of stakeholders working within the Serengeti Ecosystem. FZS is an active member of SECCF and provides technical support for the Forum.

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