The Ethics of Rhino Conservation

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Current rhino poaching crisis threatening rhino populations

Political, economic and psychological impacts on the country

Highly complex situation with major implications & consequences, multiple agendas and many role players.

Rhino poaching is big business and not just for the poachers - vested interests and agendas

Rhino Conservation -How do we conserve rhino populations ?

Ethics -Good start

Ethics is not about bunny hugging, animal rights, sanctimonious....

It is about doing the right thing, in the right way, for the right reasons.....

....an ethical approach will help facilitates decision making and identification of solutions that into account all the factors, the needs and associated issues

Integrity Dignity Justifiable

Define and clarify Conservation ? Trade ? Sustainable ?

Define what 'we' want ?

Be informed ! Have information that enables us to do the right thing

Recognize roles, rights and responsibilities

Is it right ? To question.....

Dialogue that is Honest Respectful

Rhino conservation - not in a vacuum, part of a bigger world - crime, other species, people, politics, global

Participate and act in a way that ensures that we are part of the solution