



THE ENDANGERED WILDLIFE TRUST JOINS THE POPULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY NETWORK

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The Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT) is proud to announce its membership of the Population and Sustainability Network, an eminent international alliance of organisations recognising the importance of both human population and consumption impacts as significant factors in sustainable development.

The Population and Sustainability Network seeks to increase the prominence of human population dynamics in international development policy and raise support for and investment in voluntary family planning and reproductive health services that respect and protect rights. Founding members of the network include the United Nations Population Fund, the UK government's Department for International Development, the International Planned Parenthood Federation and NGOs implementing the integrated approach to development known as "Population, Health and Environment" or "PHE".

CEO of the EWT, Yolán Friedmann, explains, "PHE programmes are an important model for marginalised rural areas where community health and wellbeing is dependent on ecosystem health, like many of those in which the EWT operates". She continued "PHE programmes integrate improved sexual and reproductive health services with conservation actions and the creation of livelihoods. They have been proven to result in greater health, human welfare and conservation outcomes than single sector approaches."

Earlier in 2014 the EWT partnered with David Johnson, who, in collaboration with a consortium of health, education and women's rights NGOs identified during his research project Too Much Too Many (www.TooMuchTooMany.co.za) has designed a PHE programme for implementation in South Africa. David, the EWT and its partners, including the London staff of the Population and Sustainability Network, are currently seeking funding for this programme.

PSN's Coordinator, Karen Newman, said "We are particularly excited about such an influential environmental organisation lending its voice to the issues we work on, and the further opportunities that will hopefully bring to advance our shared agenda", she continued, "We are extremely enthusiastic about the new programme under development and look forward to partnering more closely with the EWT in the near future".

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