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My mother has struggled for a good few years in defining what her youngest son (me) does for a job. Before I started working in development back in 2006 she was pretty clear: “AJ works for the Government”. That seemed to suffice. Then it seems there was 16 years of: “AJ works overseas”. That broadly covered it. Now finally (possibly because I am now overtly competing with my very community minded brothers and sisters in terms of social contribution) I overheard Mum say the other day: “AJ is CEO at the Kyeema Foundation. They’re a wonderful not-for-profit. David (my father) knows some of their work and agrees with the science. They used to do a lot with chickens but now they do lots of things. He seems very happy but talks about funding more than he did before”.

And so the affirmation of my role with this great organisation is made.

As many of you know I have been a very long time fan of Kyeema and, as the proud son of an Ag Scientist, keen on the technical and development work the organisation does. I remain humble and proud to have taken over as CEO from the wonderful Celia Grenning – who in classic Celia style is still selflessly contribution through a volunteer financial management role. Along with an amazing, learned Board, and fabulous staff I count myself lucky to be in this new position.

There is so much good to do in the world right now. I am pleased to report that despite conflict besetting our program countries (particularly Mozambique), the resurgence of Covid in several of our countries of operation, the ever increasing pressure on global supply chains, and climate events - our teams continue to deliver results and expand the breadth of their work.

We have started several key activities this quarter, noted below, and we are seeking to reach out to more donors and partners than ever before, because as you would expect in this current environment, the competition for funds is fierce and costs are rising. We (and you) can take some comfort though in the fact that your continuing support is helping to alleviate some pressure on those that can least afford it.

So with that I welcome you to take a look at the results of your contributions over this quarter and thank you for your continuing support of Kyeema Foundation!

With gratitude,  
Anthony Carrigan

**Supporting local innovation. Enriching lives.**

## Core Country Updates

Our core country programs in Mozambique, Malawi and Ethiopia continue to support small-holder farming communities to improve Newcastle disease control for sustainable livelihoods, food and nutrition security.

The Malawi program has taken off to a great start in Dowa East with community vaccinator training completed across four EPA's, baseline surveys taking place and vaccination campaigns ready to begin.

The female breeding units and outgrowers are all set up in Marracuene, Mozambique. They have been reporting some great results with increased income from sales of the birds and the eggs while also improving the nutrition of their households with improved access to additional protein to consume.

In Ethiopia, Master Trainer Dr Etsegenet Tekeba has been integral to trialing a model of public-private partnership for poultry health in the country. She is working with the National Veterinary Institute who make the thermotolerant ND I-2 vaccine, to distribute it to private Veterinary Vendors and linked Community Vaccinators who sell to rural households as a small business. Read more on this project below.



## Supporting Gender Empowerment in Animal Health Delivery in Ethiopia

Village poultry hold significant socioeconomic importance for landless youth and women in rural Africa. Newcastle disease (ND) – the most infectious poultry disease worldwide – greatly impacts improved production at household level. Kyeema Foundation is working with the African Union (AU) Pan-African Veterinary Vaccine Centre, to improve food and nutrition security and livelihoods in selected AU Member States through establishment of improved village poultry production and health learning programs for animal health personnel.

A specific focus is the creation of female-led programs empowering women in sustainable ND control. Ethiopian Master Trainer Dr Etsegenet Tekeba has been integral to trialing a model of public-private partnership for poultry health in the country. She is working with the National Veterinary Institute who make the thermotolerant ND I-2 vaccine, to distribute it to private Veterinary Vendors and linked Community Vaccinators who sell to rural households as a small business. Since completion of the National MT course in 2021, Dr Tekeba supervised the training of 51 community vaccinators (72.5 %female) and 29 Kebele Animal Health Assistants (17 % female) in sustainable ND vaccination campaigns with a local Animal Health expert and Veterinary Vendor who translated the training in the local language. She also helped organize training seminars for 123 veterinary students (23.4 % female) and staff at Addis Ababa University (AAU) and facilitated discussions with AAU and the Ethiopian Veterinary Association about developing continued professional development courses for poultry health and production.

Dr Tekeba explains –

*“When women are making decisions about where money is spent from more productive livestock, they tend to support increased household consumption of eggs, meat and more diverse foods. When female household heads can relate to female animal health workers who well understand their challenges and priorities, effects are multiplied.”*



*Dr Etsegenet Tekeba with a female veterinary vaccinator she trained in Aleta Chuko, Sidama region.*



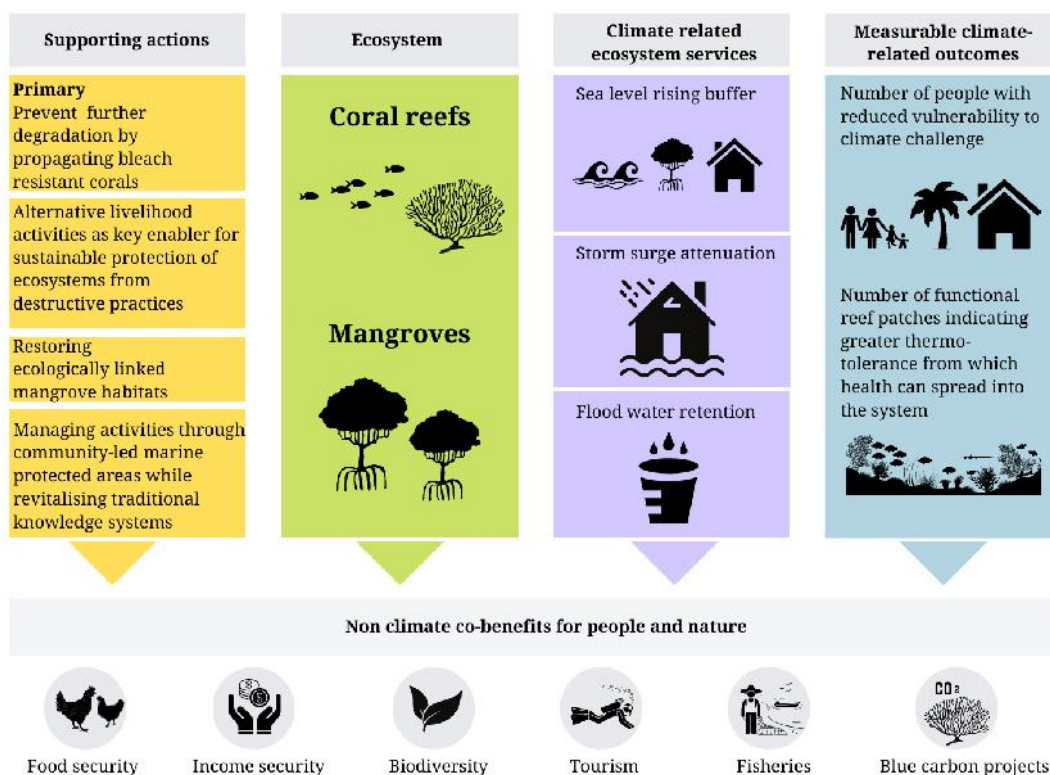
**We acknowledge the support of the Australian Government through the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP) for this project.**

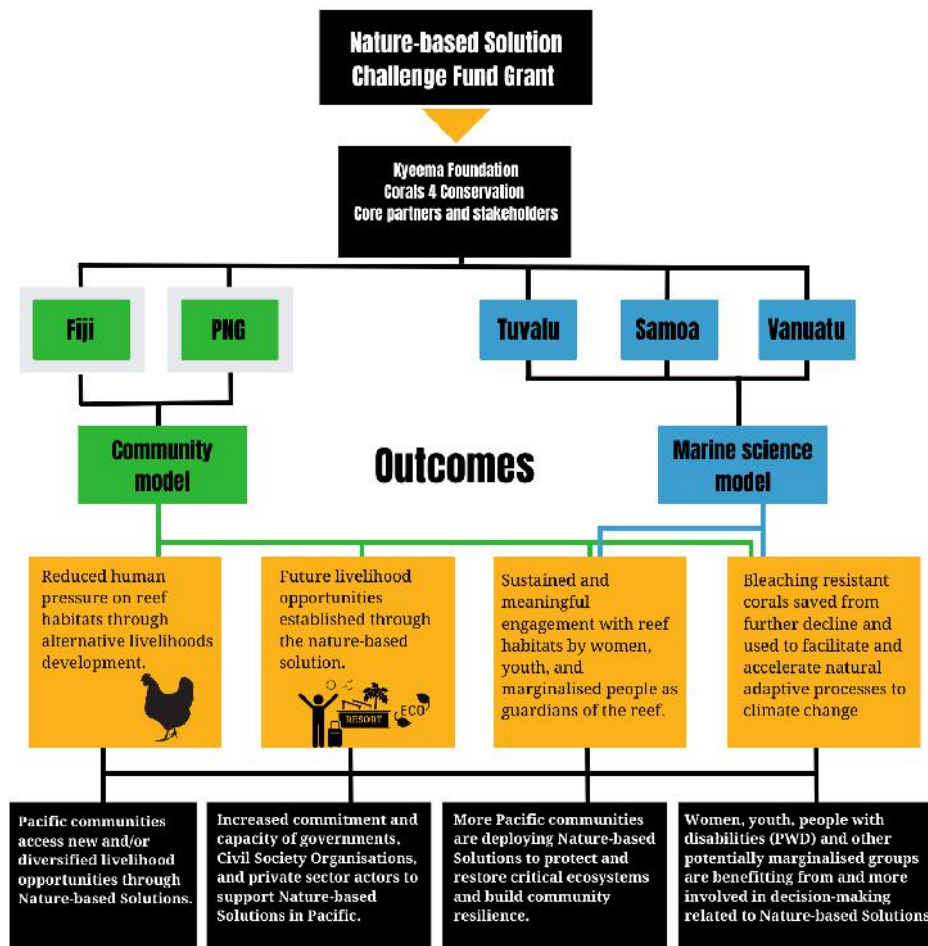


## Kyeema supporting Nature-based solutions to climate change in Pacific Island Communities

After an 8-month process, we are proud to announce our Nature-based solution project in the Pacific. The project will be conducted in Fiji, PNG, Vanuatu, Tuvalu, Samoa and Kiribati and is designed help save compromised coral reef ecosystems through climate adaptation and alternative livelihoods training. With a focus on capacity building, Kyeema, Corals for Conservation (C4C) and Just World Partnerships (JWP) will support young indigenous scientists from six PICs and community leaders from Fiji (Malolo) and PNG (Yule Island) to help restore compromised coral reef (and linked mangroves) and maintain the protective climate-related services they provide as a Nature-based solution. We will promote and support measurable co-benefits for people and nature.

The marine science workshop will kick off training in August and the community-based workshop will follow in October. These sessions will run in Fiji at Malolo Island and its surrounding communities. In November, a second community-based training workshop will be hosted in PNG for Yule Island communities.





## Climate Resilience by Nature

This project is supported by the Australian Government and World Wildlife Fund-Australia through Climate Resilient by Nature (CRxN). CRxN is a new initiative advancing equitable nature-based solutions to climate change in the Indo-Pacific. CRxN supports projects that work with communities to restore and protect critical ecosystems, build sustainable livelihoods, and increase resilience to climate shocks.

We would like to thank the Australian Government and WWF-Australia for their support as we expand our work into the wider Pacific and a big congratulations to our team and project partners for securing this exciting grant.



**Check out our CRxN project page for more information about this amazing project and stay tuned for updates throughout the year!**



## 2022 Challenge Fund

Kyeema is excited to announce that Palladium has doubled up on its commitment to source innovative responses to global issues, and the Challenge Fund has two themes this year.

This year Palladium has aligned the Challenge Fund to two themes: “Measuring the value of nature” and “Jobs for refugees”. There is up to AU\$75,000 funding available for multiple successful applicants across both themes. The concept note deadline has just passed and both themes were met with an overwhelming number of submissions. See an overview of the themes below and stay tuned as the selection process rolls out. The successful applicants will be announced at the end of the year!

### **Jobs for Refugees**

*Offering dignity and employment to people fleeing from conflict*

Jobs for Refugees is seeking proposals from organisations with innovative and sustainable solutions to employ refugees or match refugees to employers.

We are looking for solutions that:

- Offer innovative and cost-effective approaches to skills training in refugees, with clear pathway to stable and secure employment;
- Connect refugees with employers, be that through integration within country service provision, use of online platforms, or in-person support at refugee community centres.
- Make effective use of technology to expand and customise learning for refugee communities; or
- Overcome barriers to employment, for example, to include schemes that provide childcare alongside employment or support with employee registration.

### **Measuring the Value of Nature**

*How do you ensure that nature-based solutions are benefiting people and planet?*

Measuring the Value of Nature is seeking proposals from organisations with innovative solutions to impact management, monitoring, and valuation of nature-based solutions.

We are looking for solutions that:

- Pilot new technologies and/or innovative approaches to valuing nature
- Tools for measuring the effective of nature-based solutions
- Create frameworks for business to measure their environmental impact and match them to potential solutions

## Become a monthly donor in 2022

A monthly donation will help us to reach more people across our core country programs in Papua New Guinea, Malawi, Mozambique and Ethiopia. You can ask for your donation to be allocated to a specific country initiative or simply where it is needed most. Your contribution allows communities to leverage their own knowledge and resources to restore local ecosystems, secure sustainable food and nutrition, and grow inclusive business opportunities. Join us in championing the health and prosperity of the people and environments that need it most.

### Explore our donating options



Support a community in Papua New Guinea to restore their marine ecosystems through coral reef gardening and mangrove planting.



Support rural women in Mozambique to set up small-scale local chicken rearing enterprises to mitigate the impact of COVID-19.



Support a village chicken community vaccinator in Malawi or Ethiopia to start an income generating opportunity in a rural community.

**We acknowledge the support of the Australian Government through the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP) for our projects in PNG, Malawi and with the African Union Pan-African Veterinary Vaccine Centre.**



**We thank our partner Palladium who directly finance, and volunteer staff time to support, the three 'Let's Make It Possible' initiatives for projects across the globe.**

