



Nomadic Herders Project Managers

The International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry (ICR) was established in 2005 as a follow-up of recommendations by the Arctic Council, and is hosted and supported by the Government in Norway.

ICR represents a significant contribution to the international cooperation of indigenous reindeer herders worldwide, also adding a new dimension to the collaborative work of the Arctic Council.



The Association of World Reindeer Herders (WRH)

is an Indigenous Peoples' Organisation for 24 nomadic reindeer herding peoples across 10 national states around the circumpolar north. This organisation represents 27 years of indigenous people-to-people collaboration between world reindeer herders across the Arctic. WRH has been an Observer to the Arctic Council since 2000.

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Enhancing the resilience of reindeer herders' ecosystems



About Nomadic Herders

"Nomadic Herders" is a project of the governments of Mongolia and the Russian Federation and is supported by the Global Environment Facility through the United Nations Environment Program.

The project will contribute to biodiversity conservation and to the mitigation of land degradation in reindeer herding areas of the Russian Far East and northern Mongolia. The resilience of reindeer herding societies and environments will be increased by conserving biological diversity and reducing pasture degradation through the coproduction and application of traditional and scientific knowledge.

The project is a partnership between the Ministries of Environment in Russia and Mongolia, regional and local administrations, and indigenous communities and associations, and was initiated by the World Reindeer Herders' Association (WRH) and the International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry (ICR).

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Reindeer herding, a sustainable form of land use, which traditionally has helped to conserve globally-important biodiversity in these regions, is in real danger of disappearing in some taiga regions. The project deals with the challenges of climate change, land degradation and biodiversity loss in reindeer herding societies and works to find adaptation opportunities in taiga and tundra.

Traditional knowledge about local biodiversity has been the foundation for reindeer pastoralism in these regions. The project will document and promote this unique knowledge, and develop tools and educational strategies based on the coproduction of traditional and scientific knowledge for the management of pastures that sustain the livelihoods and cultures of the reindeer herders

communities. In doing so, the project will contribute significantly to biodiversity conservation and land degradation mitigation priorities identified by the Governments of both countries in the Arctic and taiga areas.

project aims The to increase understanding of how changes biodiversity are affecting reindeer herding societies, and to develop resilience and adaptation strategies. The project will strengthen the capacity of nomadic herders in biodiversity conservation and natural resource management, and will increase their capacity to engage with private sector and government authorities in land-use planning processes.