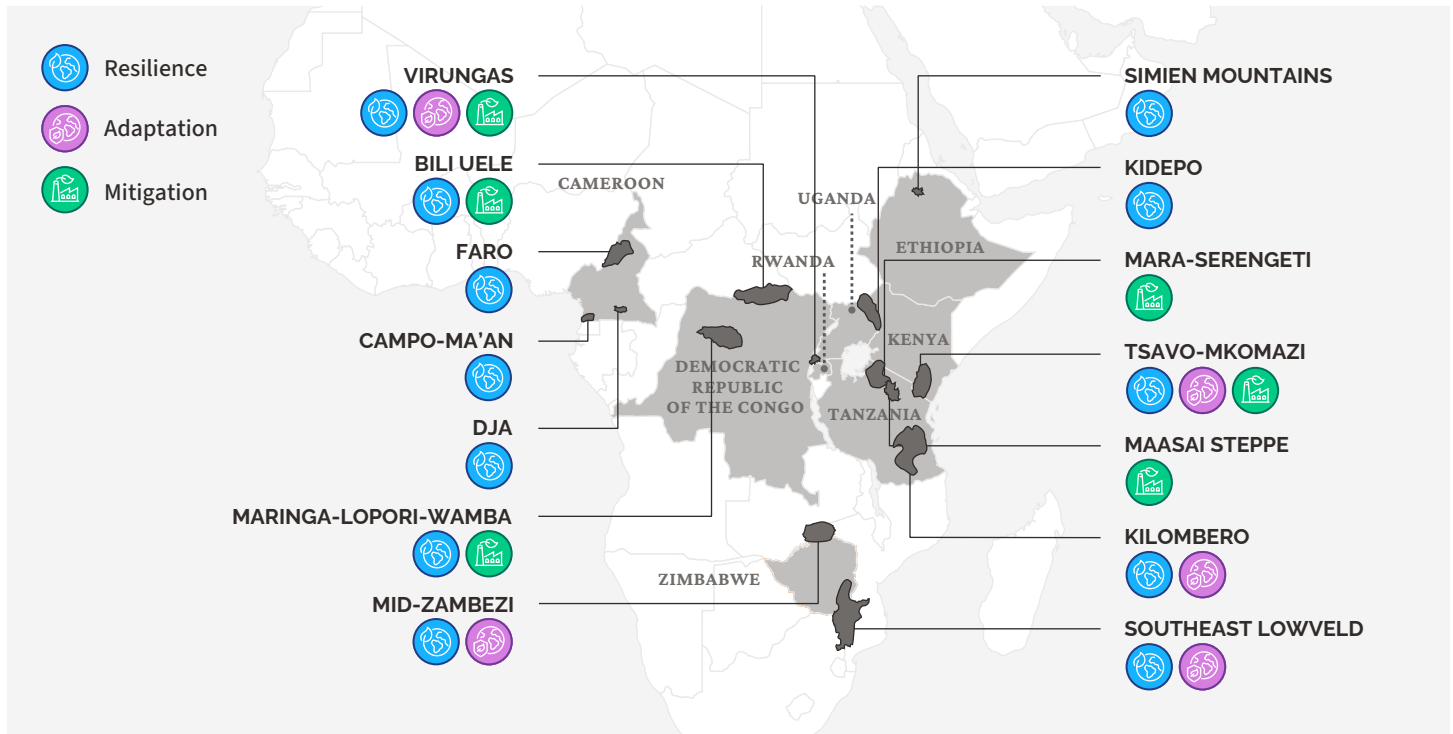


Addressing Climate Change



Our global, pan-African, and national policy work to protect biodiversity also includes efforts to address climate change, as biodiversity loss and climate change are inextricably linked. In addition, many of our programs on the ground directly contribute to building resilience against climate change, adapting to its effects, or mitigating its impact.



RESILIENCE: Building capacity of social, economic, and environmental systems to cope and recover from climate impacts.

Ex: Strengthening community governance and advocacy, water resource management, and diversification of livelihoods to include non-agricultural income opportunities.

ADAPTATION: Taking specific actions aimed at adjusting systems (ecological, social, or economic) to reduce the actual or expected negative impacts of climate change.

Ex: Drilling boreholes to adapt to drought, building flood defenses, or developing drought-resistant crops.

MITIGATION: Preventing or reducing the emission of greenhouse gases and improving carbon sink.

Ex: Preventing and reducing deforestation to retain carbon stores, reforestation and afforestation (the process of planting trees in an area where there were no trees before) to enhance carbon storage, and promotion of non-timber forest products to reduce the pressure on forests.

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