

The Man and the Biosphere Programme (MAB)

Strategy 2015-2025:

Our vision is a world where people are conscious of their common future and interaction with our planet, and act collectively and responsibly to build thriving societies in harmony with the biosphere.

- 2015, UNESCO

Created in 2015, MAB Strategy sets objectives to ensure that its World Network of Biosphere Reserves (WNBR) consists of effective and functioning models for sustainable development by implementing an effective periodic review process so that all members of the network adhere to its standards. These objectives are achieved through actions outlined in the Lima Action Plan created the following year (2016).

Strategic Objectives:

1. Conserve biodiversity, restore and enhance ecosystem services, and foster the sustainable use of natural resources;
2. Contribute to building sustainable, healthy and equitable societies, economies and thriving human settlements in harmony with the biosphere (implementing UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)).
3. Facilitate biodiversity and sustainability science, education for sustainable development (ESD) and capacity building (empowering Indigenous peoples and local communities as guardians of important knowledge); and
4. Support and mitigation and adaptation to climate change and other aspects of global environmental change.