



# The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa

## **The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa announces its funding programme for environmental and development charities in 2018**

LONDON (2018) – Following its annual Meeting of Trustees on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018, the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA) has announced a programme of £372,165 in new grants.

The 2018 funding programme will give support to: Earthwatch Institute's 'Public Events & Conferences Programme' which aims to raise public awareness on environmental conservation; Forum for the Future's 'School for System Change Project' which trains sustainability professionals on system change theories; International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)'s 'Mainstreaming Biodiversity Project' which seeks to integrate conservation practices into Tanzanian business operations; Rainforest Alliance's 'Sustainable Cocoa Farming Project' which trains farmers in Côte d'Ivoire on climate-smart agricultural techniques; Renewable World's 'Lighting up Lake Victoria Project' which delivers solar-powered energy hubs to off-grid communities in Kenya; SolarAid's 'Lighting up Malawi Project' which is creating a market for solar lamps in rural Malawi; Springboard Entrepreneurship Development Initiative's 'Farm to School Africa Project' which addresses unemployment by offering farming and entrepreneurship training to young people in Nigeria; Sustainable Fisheries Partnership's 'Improvement in African Fisheries Project' which aims to establish Fishery Improvement Projects (FIPs) in Morocco, Mauritania and Mozambique; and United Purpose's 'Conserving Shea Trees for Sustainable Lives Project' which enhances livelihoods by connecting Ghanaian shea butter-producing communities to fair markets.

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### **About the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa**

The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA) is a charitable foundation established in 1992 by Mitsubishi Corporation and its UK-based subsidiary Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc. Over more than two decades, the MCFEA has been engaging with a wide variety of partner organisations throughout Europe and Africa, supporting innovative projects which align with its central aims of: the promotion of environmental conservation; the support of environmental education and research; and the alleviation of poverty.

### **About Mitsubishi Corporation**

Mitsubishi Corporation (MC) is a global integrated business enterprise that develops and operates businesses across virtually every industry, including industrial finance, energy, metals, machinery, chemicals, and daily living essentials. MC's current activities have expanded far beyond its traditional trading operations to include investments and business management in diverse fields including natural resources development, manufacturing of industrial goods, retail, new energy, infrastructure, finance and new technology-related businesses. With over 200 offices and subsidiaries in 90 countries and regions worldwide and a network of approximately 1,300 group companies, MC employs a multinational workforce of over 70,000 people.

MC provides philanthropic contributions through a variety of channels including grants from the MCFEA and its sister charity the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas (MCFA).

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