



Self-paced online course: Introduction to HCV Screening

More and more NGOs and companies seek to tackle some of their sustainability challenges through landscape or jurisdictional approaches. One way of doing this is by applying the High Conservation Value (HCV) Approach to a particular landscape or administrative level. Screening applies to various administrative levels, such as district, province, or country level, as well as across regions, ecosystems, and commodities.

HCV screening entails a six-step process that focuses overall on:

- Identifying the environmental and social characteristics of a landscape, region, etc.
- Assessing the probability of having HCVs in that territory and what threatens them.
- Highlighting which values need to be prioritised within policies and action on the ground.

Who should take this course?

High-level decision-makers, project or programme officers or managers, or professionals who are or will be involved in HCV Screening exercises in landscapes or jurisdictions.

Course objectives

In this introductory course you will learn:

The key concepts of the HCV Screening methodology and its different applications.

How screening results can support high-level planning and decision-making in landscapes or jurisdictions where screening exercises take place.

Analyse issues encountered in HCV screening process based on case studies.

Format

Language: English

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Completion time: Participants will have a total of **two months** to complete the course.

The course is accessible to anyone with an internet connection. Course materials are in English.

A basic understanding of the High Conservation Value (HCV) Approach is beneficial.

Cost

USD \$300

Registration

To register click [here](#) or contact

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	Title	Module objectives	Estimated effort
1	What is HCV Screening?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand how HCV Screening fits within the wider HCV Approach Understand the different applications of HCV Screening Describe the steps in an HCV screening exercise 	2-3 hours
2	How to start an HCV Screening exercise?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the scope and purpose of HCV screening Identify who is needed in the screening team and their qualifications Understand the level of information needed as well as the limitations and certainty of data Differentiate between contextual and spatial information 	2-3 hours
3	Probability of HCV presence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify indicators for each HCV and cut-off points for probability classes Use HCV probability map to show the potential presence of HCVs in the landscape Understand the application of the precautionary approach in the screening 	2-3 hours
4	Understanding threats to HCVs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the type of information needed to identify threats to HCVs Use indicators for each threat and determine cut off points for each threat class Identify if information available allows for spatial differentiation to create a threat map Consider how different threats impact different HCVs – this will impact the recommendations 	2-3 hours
5	HCV priorities in the landscape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify which HCVs should be treated as priorities Understand where threats to HCVs are greatest Present results using maps and other formats Consider how to communicate the results and gather input 	2-3 hours
		Av. Hours	10-15 hours

