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Front page: gathering seeds at the Ghana Permaculture Institute.

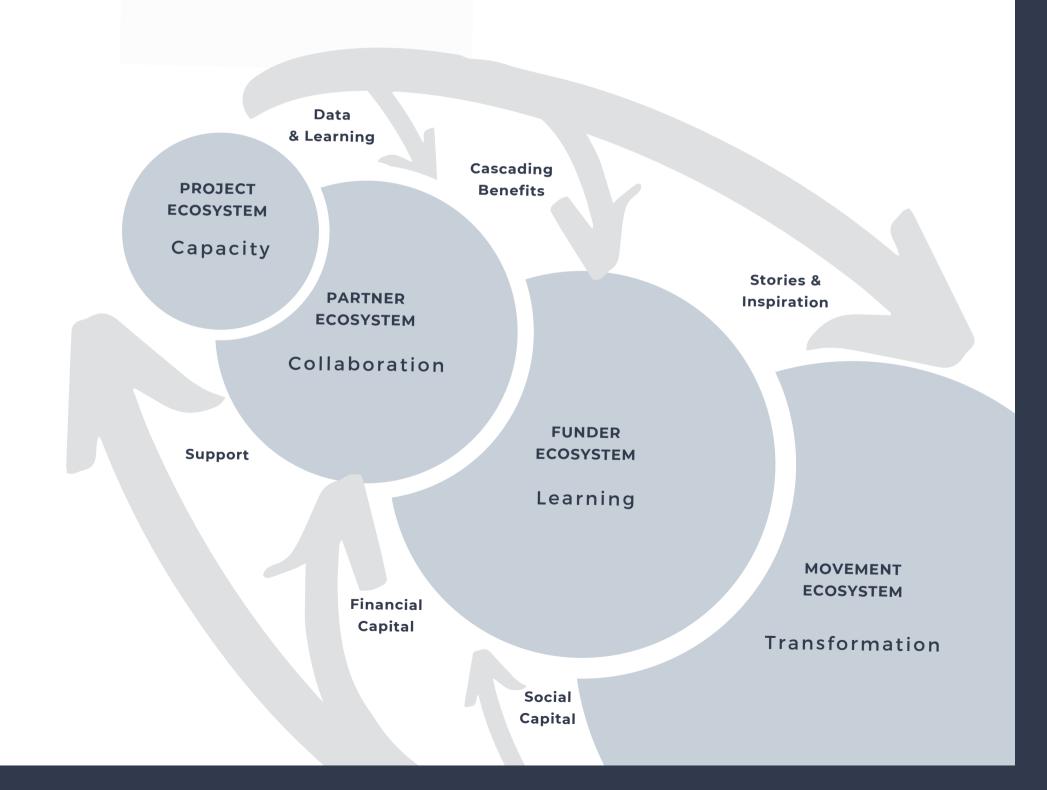
This page: urban food gardens in Domiz, Iraqi Kurdistan, creating food security and 'regreening' a desertified region.

HOW CAN WE RESOURCE AS MANY REGENERATIVE PROJECTS AS POSSIBLE?

As climate and ecological emergencies unravel, we are driven to scale regenerative impact, develop new capacities and respond with unprecedented levels of collaboration.

Lush Cosmetics UK, the Buckminster Fuller Institute, the Equator Prize and others have brought together their experience in the regenerative field, quality-vetted portfolio of projects from their prize programs, and dynamic networks to help answer that question.

We aim to unleash the potential of regenerative projects to heal the planet's ecosystems. In order to deliver on this vision and mission, Regenerosity uses a multi-level approach we call Nested Wholes, which enables cascading benefits at four different scales, visualised to the right.





WHAT DO WE MEAN BY REGENERATIVE?

Regenerative projects improve the health of every system they touch.

Projects and initiatives that take a regenerative approach use holistic thinking to create resilient, flourishing and equitable systems that respond to the needs of society while respecting the integrity of nature.

By design, regenerative projects create virtuous cycles of co-benefits in their ecosystems— social, economic, ecological. Regenerative practices lead to returns on multiple forms of capital, long-term resiliency, climate mitigation, and adaptation, resulting in more secure livelihoods.

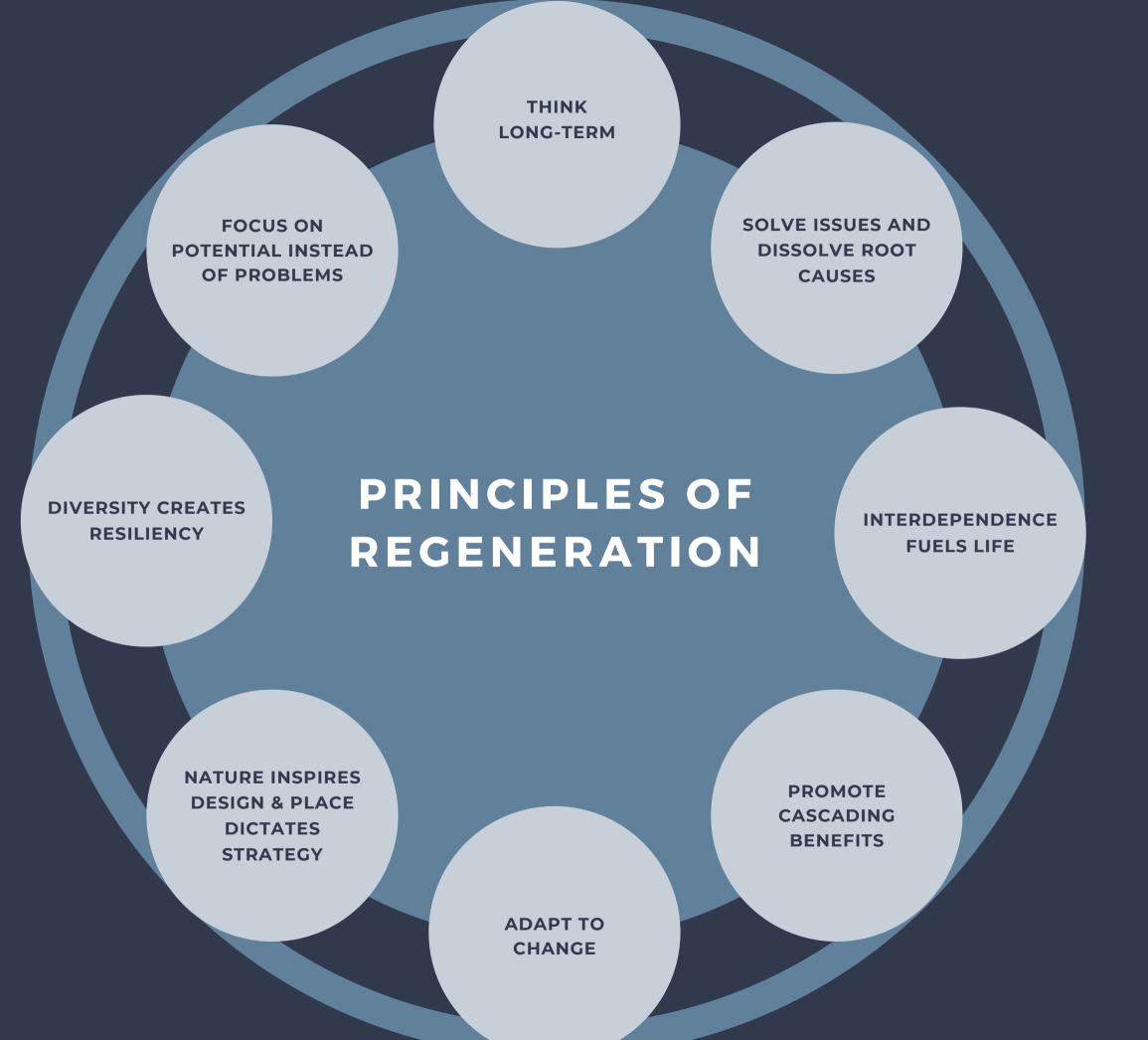
Left: Winnie from YICE Uganda harvesting vegetables from. a Permaculture garden in the Bukompe Refugee Settlement.

YICE UGANDA: APPLYING REGENERATIVE DEVELOPMENT WITH REFUGEE COMMUNITIES

In Uganda's Bukompe refugee settlement, each household is given a small plot of land by the government. Local organisation YICE have been working long-term and at scale with the community to create Permaculture kitchen gardens which provide food security and additional livelihoods from vegetable sales for refugees.

Working with regenerative principles and local wisdom, YICE designed gardens with a high diversity of crops, which led to more fertile soil as well as exponentially higher levels of health and nutrition. The creation of compost heaps, no-dig gardens and plant-based fertilisers built abundant biodiversity without expensive chemical inputs.

YICE's work empowers people to take control of their own health and livelihoods, and at the same time regenerates once degraded land. The health of people, community and land are all improved in a mutually beneficial cycle. <u>View a webinar about YICE's work here.</u>



REGENERATIVE DEVELOPMENT DEFINED

Regenerative development marks an evolution in the concept and practice of sustainable development. Sustainable or green development has focused on minimising damage to the environment and human health and using resources more efficiently to limit the degradation of earth's natural systems. Regenerative approaches, however, seek to reverse the degradation of the planet's natural systems and also design human systems that co-evolve with natural systems to generate mutual benefits and greater expression of life and resilience.

Regenerative development aims for an integrated, whole-systems approach to the design and construction of human settlements and practices. The field of regenerative development, which draws inspiration from the self-healing and self-organising capacities of natural living systems, is increasingly seen as a source for achieving this end.

CREATING VALUE

For Funders

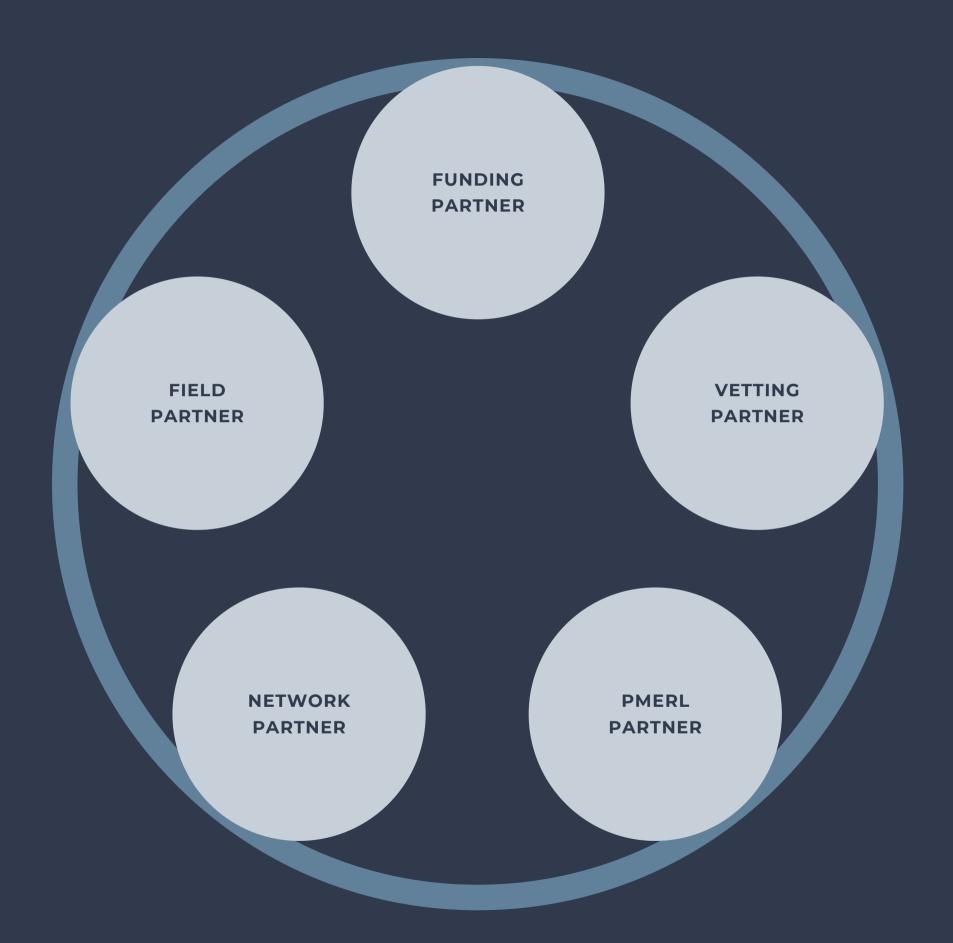
- · Continuous stream of vetted projects that have gone through due diligence and are ready for funding
- · Customized financial services for shifting philanthropic capital to meet funders' strategic aims
- · Connecting individual and institutional funders to a growing learning community of other donors supporting regeneration

For Projects

- Exposure to funders and programs, access to financial resources with tools to support media and storytelling
- · Peer-to-peer mentoring and educational tools
- Support, networking, and shared strategies to increase inclusion and impact

Right: a farmer from Diritti A Sud's Sfruttazero project, a workers' co-operative employing vulnerable migrant peoples and Italian nationals in a historically marginalised region of Southern Italy, using agroecological principles to heal soil and communities.





HOW CAN YOU BECOME A REGENEROSITY ALLY?

There are a number of ways to become a Regenerosity Ally. We're connected to a wide variety of players who aid us with funding; vetting; participatory monitoring, evaluation, research and learning (PMERL); as well as the wider regenerative network, and our project partners in the field.

What part will you play?

Funding planetary regeneration.

Transform your money into meaning at a pace that matches the climate emergency by making a gift to Regenerosity. We can work with you on a bespoke portfolio to match theme, geography and impact to your personal or organisational aims and strategy. A portion of these funds will go towards the continual vetting, storytelling, impact monitoring and network building.

CATALYSING REGENERATION

Our experience has shown that incremental amounts of catalytic money strategically invested in small scale initiatives creating local diversity, development and connection can have high and consistent impact. There are many such initiatives in our portfolio who have a long track record and are now ready to scale out to their wider community and bioregion.

These projects strategically design for cascading benefits, rather than just solving one problem, they seek to create reinforcing cycles of co-benefits for social, ecological, hydrological, economic, and other systems.

Right: KTK, based in Nepal, is replanting a vertical forest corridor spanning from an aquatic bird sanctuary, up 8 kilometers to the peak of the world's third tallest mountain. This will cover 118 different forest types across the vertical landscape, as well as land degraded by earthquakes, and is Nepal's largest reforestry project.





THANK YOU FOR YOUR REGENEROSITY

Regenerosity is deeply inspired by nature.

There is an interdependence that fuels all life on this planet. This mutualism requires a generous spirit of cooperation, gifting and abundance. These nature-inspired principles underpin regenerative design.

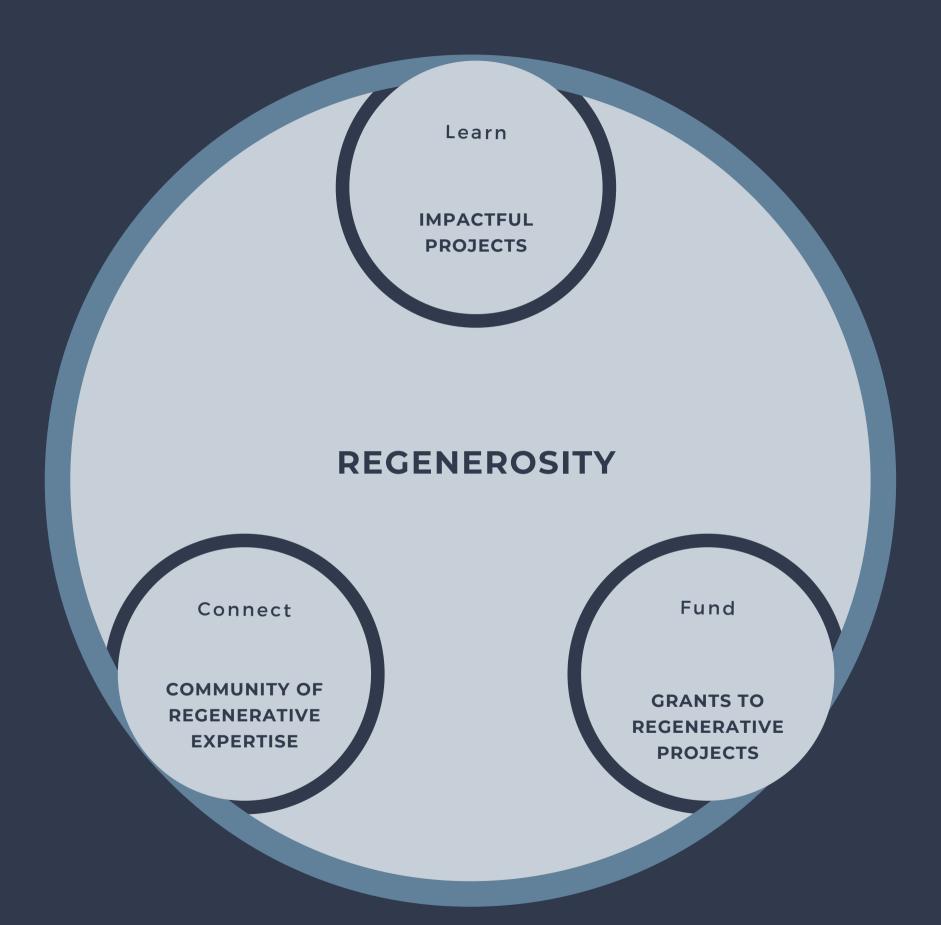
We see the need to foster this spirit in the realm of philanthropy at this critical time for our planet.

Join us in expressing your regenerous spirit.

Get in touch if you'd like to know more. regenerosity@bfi.org

The pictures in this pitch deck are from a small selection of the 500+ projects in our portfolio. We'd love to introduce you to more.

Left: a village community from the Timbaktu Collective gather for a meeting. Using agroecology, the Timbaktu Collective are regenerating a drought-prone area in Andhra Pradesh, Southern India. Their work over 25 years has brought back an abundance of wildlife to the once degraded region, and their pioneering and innovative work restructuring ingrained and demeaning social systems has won them recognition and praise from across India.



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For USD\$1.8M, we can support projects to increase climate resilience and adaptation through regenerative agriculture and agroforestry, with a strong focus on livelihoods for tens of thousands of smallholder farmers.

For USD\$1M, we can fund community-based protection, restoration and agroforestry food systems in 25 communities across the Amazon.

