What's an EAZA Ex situ Programme or EEP ?

An **EAZA Ex situ Programme (EEP)** = population management activities endorsed by EAZA for species that are managed by EAZA Members aiming towards (maintaining) healthy populations of healthy animals within EAZA or beyond.
The EEP species is held by several institutions working together towards these goals.

EAZA Population Management Manual: Standards, procedures and guidelines for population management within EAZA

Each EEP has:

- a team of experts, led by a **coordinator** from an EAZA institution, to develop and implement its management strategy
- its own tailor made set of **roles and goals** defined in the *Regional Species Plan* (RSP) by experts from the Taxon Advisory Group (TAG) and conservation organisations

- its own tailor made **management strategy** defined in the *Long-term Management Plan* (LTMP)

In 2021: > 400 EEP involving > 300 ZOO & 🗺

Example

White-naped mangabey EEP
(*Cercocebus lunulatus*)

↓ population decreasing

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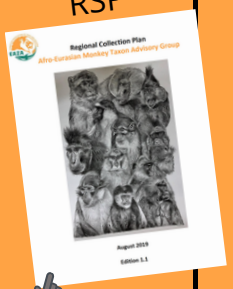
RSP



	ROLES include	GOALS
Conservation – Direct	✓ **Education** In and outside range	Use as flagship species to promote Tropical Forest conservation, celebrate Mangabey Awareness Day (1 August)
Conservation – Direct	✓ **Training, sharing expertise**	Train field staff and share husbandry / veterinary knowledge and skills gathered in zoos
Conservation – Indirect	✓ **Advocacy**	Continue the dialogue with Ghanaian authorities to level up habitat protection
Conservation – Indirect	✓ **Fundraising**	Generate financial support for WAPCA - a key partner of the EEP
Non-conservation	✓ **Research**	Facilitate fundamental research

WAPCA

LTMP

MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
coordinated by Barcelona Zoo

Following transfer and (non-) breeding recommendations:
- gradually increase the population size to 150 individuals by 2027, with around 40 individuals at EEP participants in Ghana
- prioritise genetically valuable individuals for breeding

For more details, click on the documents and visit www.eaza.net/population-management