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Anak Pattanavibool has engaged in wildlife conservation and research in Thailand for over 30 years. After receiving the BS in Wildlife Management from Kasetsart University, he worked as a park ranger in wildlife sanctuaries in Southern and Northern Thailand. He later received MS in Wildlife Science from Oregon State University in 1993 and PhD in BioGeography from University of Victoria, Canada, in 1999. He led the field team to promote wildlife-based approach for ecosystem management in the Western Forest Complex (WEFCOM) during 2000-2003. He joined WCS in 2004 as Thailand Country Program Director, working to promote SMART patrol system to save endangered wildlife, especially tigers and prey. During 2013-2016 he took a full time position as a lecturer at Department of Conservation, Faculty of Forestry, Kasetsart University, focusing on teaching and training next generations of wildlife and national park managers for Thailand and conducting research on wildlife and ecosystem restoration in protected areas. At present, he has been back working a full time role of directing WCS Thailand. He also serves as a technical member of national-level boards including National Environmental Board, Wildlife Conservation Board, and National Park Board. Another position is an advisor on wildlife conservation to the Director General of Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation.

