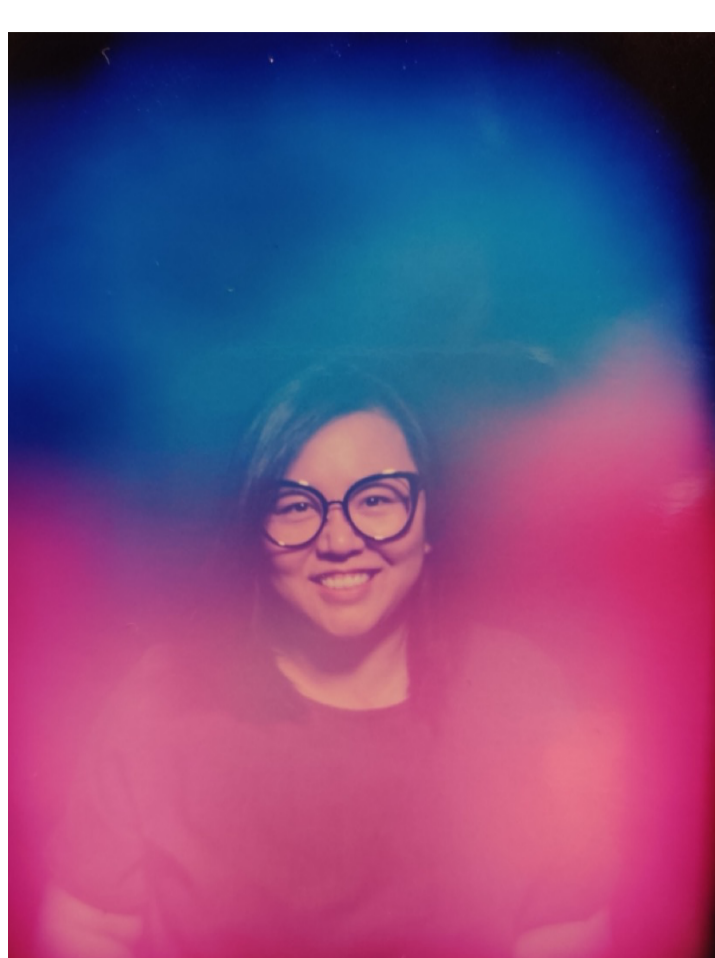




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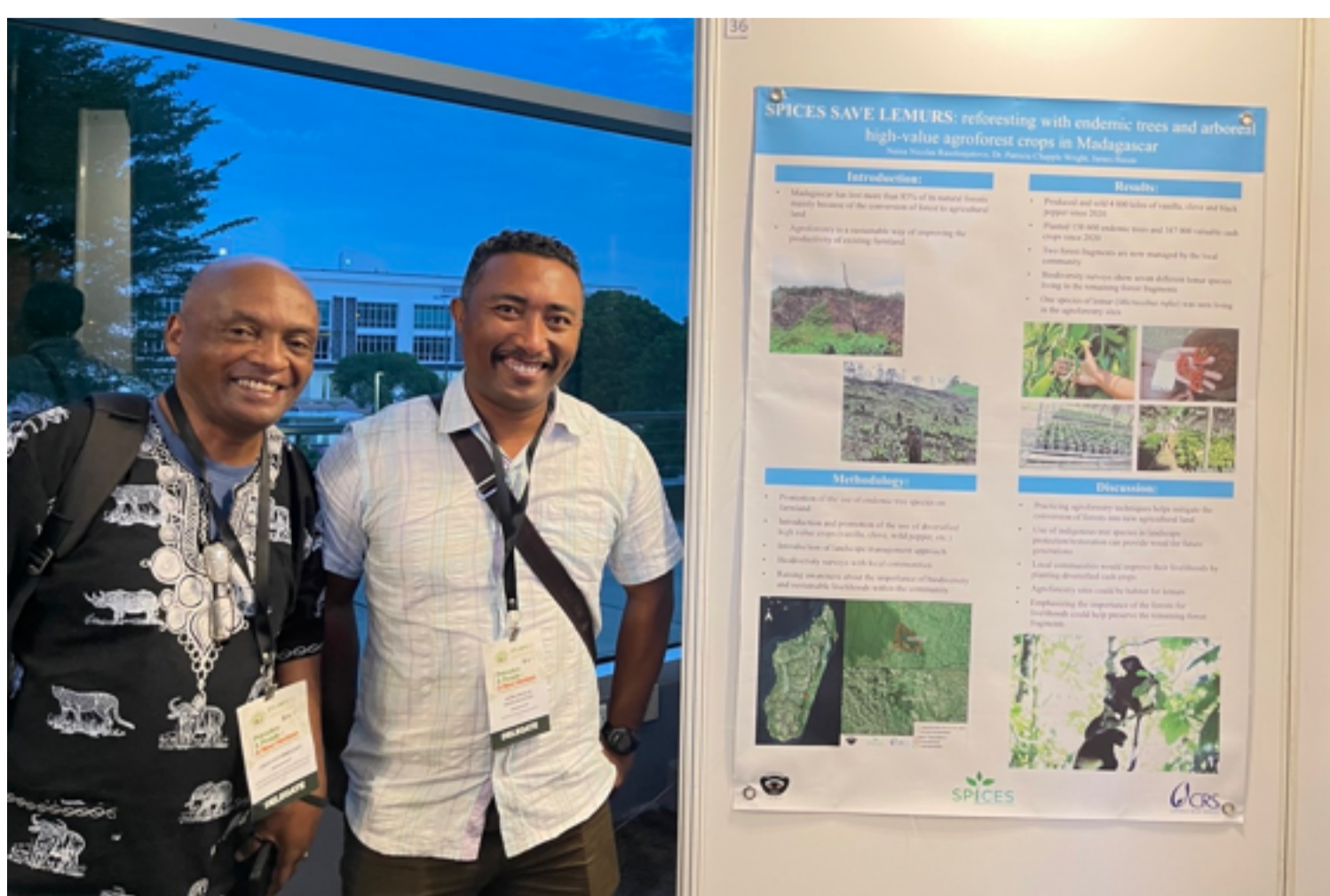
Announcing CVB's New COO: Shin Shin Hsia



Please join us in welcoming CVB's new Chief Operations Officer, Shin Shin Hsia (Xin Xin Xia - she/her)! Shin Shin brings over a decade of experience overseeing operations, HR, and financial best practices rooted in collaboration and teamwork. She's currently a consultant working with statewide and nationally based BIPOC led and advocacy non-profits. Shin Shin holds a BS in Environmental and Conservation Biology and a certificate in HR Management from the University of Washington. She first visited CVB in 2005 as a study abroad student and again in 2007 to manage logistics and finances for a MacArthur Fellows tour. She is excited to be returning to Madagascar and we are very fortunate to have Shin Shin at CVB to guide our initiatives in innovative and meaningful ways.

Read the announcement by CVB Executive Director Dr. Patricia Wright

CVB Attends IPS Conference in Kuching, Malaysia



We were incredibly proud to have CVB Department Heads Dr. Hasina Malalaharivony, Lovasoa Razafindravony, Nicolas Rasolonjatovo, and Dina Andrianoelo present their ongoing research at this year's International Primatological Society conference. From August 19th-25th, researchers, students, and leading primatology experts from around the world gathered in Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia to discuss this year's theme of "Primates and People: A New Horizon." The opening ceremony was led by IPS President and renowned Malagasy primatologist Dr. Jonah Ratsimbazafy, seen above with Nicolas.

Read more about the projects presented by CVB!

Storytelling for Conservation with Dr. Jennifer Verdolin

From September 18-20, we hosted a workshop for CVB staff led by Dr. Jennifer Verdolin, animal behavior expert, faculty member at the University of Arizona, and Fulbright Scholar titled "Storytelling for Conservation: Integrating Communities into Science Communication." The workshop centered around building skills in different mediums of storytelling, such as photography, videography, podcasts, and more to achieve tangible and meaningful impacts and solutions to environmental and conservation issues. We are happy to have staff from every department participating and producing their own science communication products. We'd like to thank both the Fulbright Regional Travel Program and Dr. Verdolin for making this workshop possible!



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Dr. Patricia Wright Speaks at Climate Conference

CVB's Executive Director Dr. Patricia Wright returned from Madagascar just in time for New York Climate Week (Sept. 17-24), the annual summit bringing together leaders in climate action from around the world. Dr. Wright attended the 2023 Global Futures Conference, where she spoke on the panel "Must Do: An Immediate Halt and Reversal of the Loss of Nature's Functions and Diversity," moderated by Alex Dehgan, former researcher in Ranomafana and founder & CEO of Dehgan X Labs. Also in attendance were representatives from the Bezos Earth Fund, Jane Goodall Institute, UNICEF, and more.



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Recent Papers and Publications

A social network analysis model approach to understand tuberculosis transmission in remote rural Madagascar

Bioacoustic characterization of the black-and-white ruffed lemur (Varecia variegata) vocal repertoire

And in case you missed it, be sure to check out the latest issue of Biodiversity MAG, featuring an interview with Dr. Patricia Wright. With interviews and op-eds from renowned conservationists and experts, this issue centers on 'One Health,' an initiative to balance the health of people, animals, and the environment at every scale—local to global

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