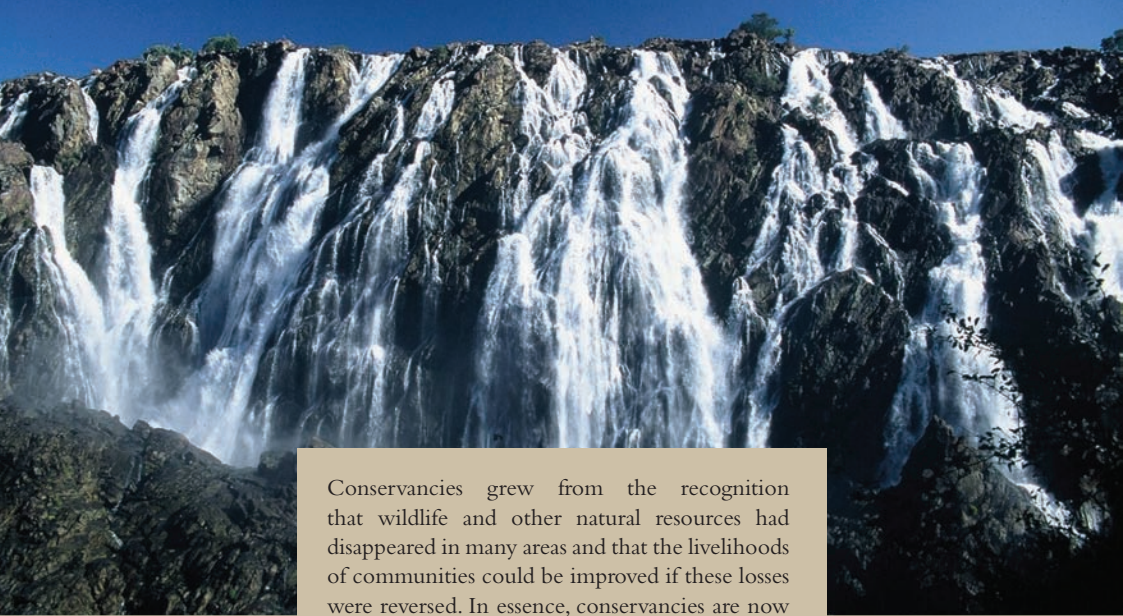


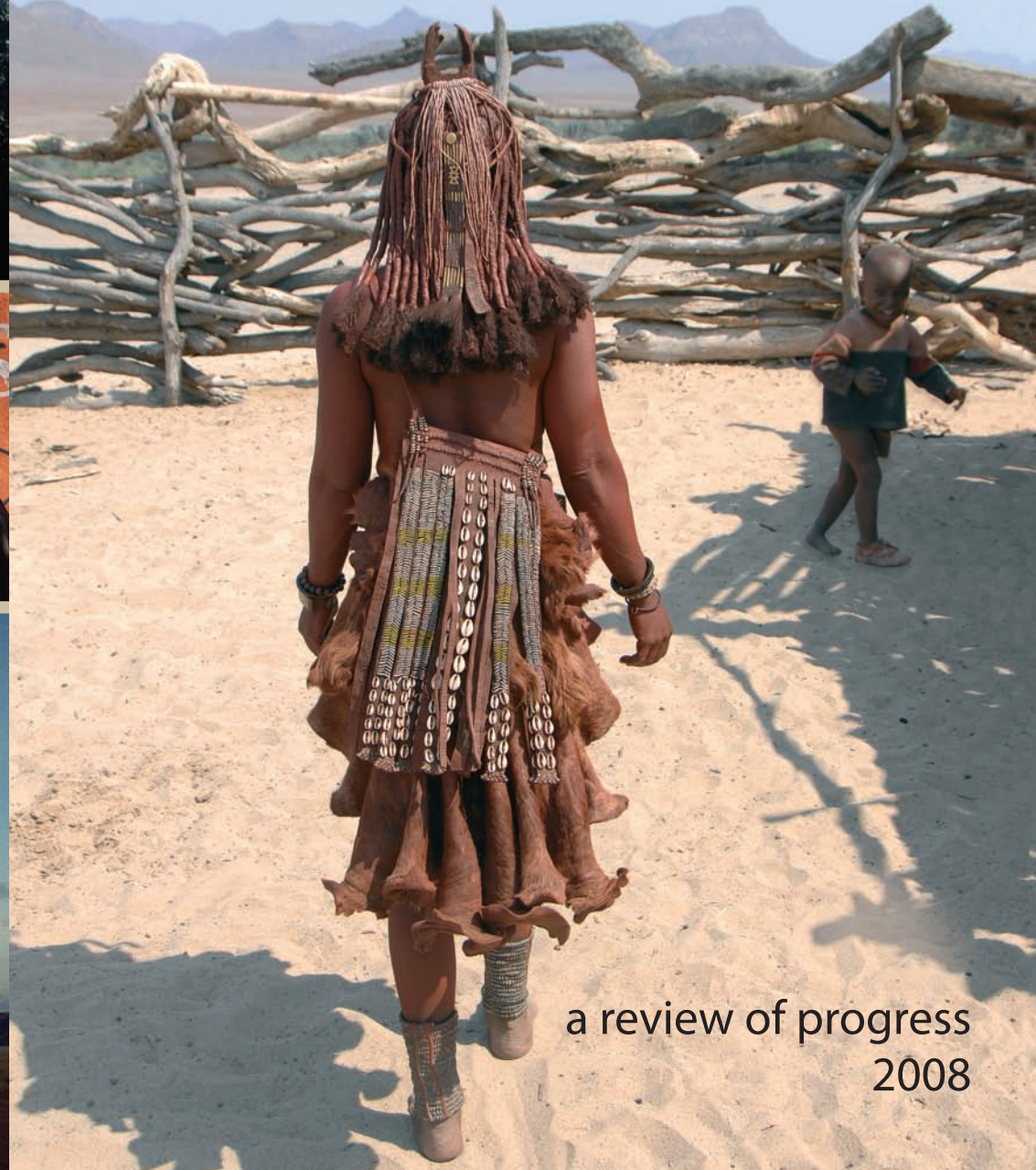
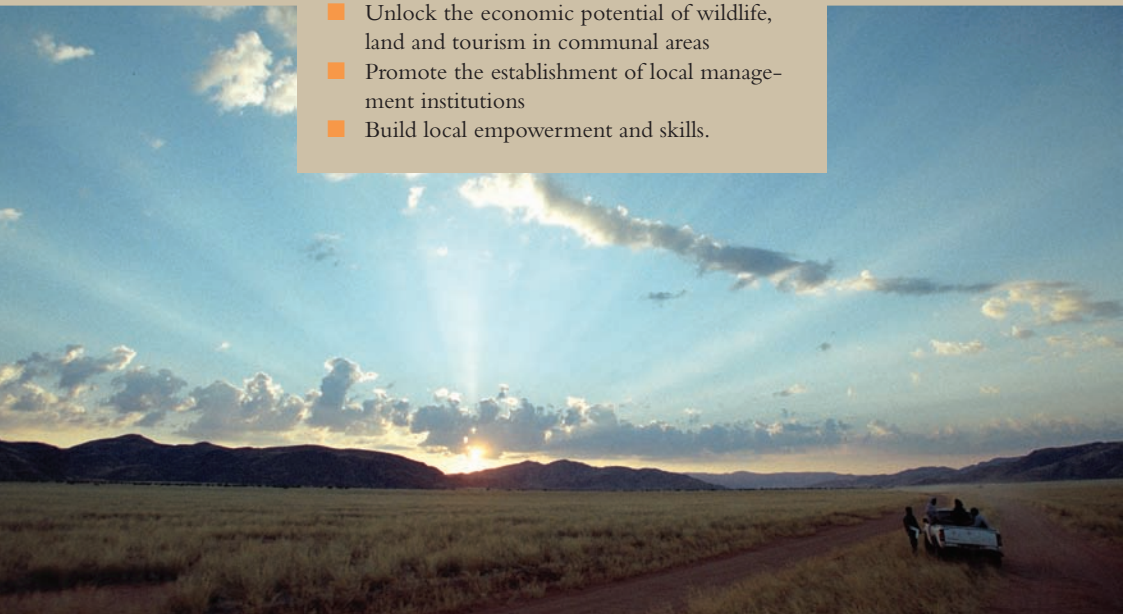
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communal conservancies



Conservancies grew from the recognition that wildlife and other natural resources had disappeared in many areas and that the livelihoods of communities could be improved if these losses were reversed. In essence, conservancies are now legal institutions which give rural people the right to use, manage and benefit from wildlife within geographically defined areas. In Namibia, conservancies have helped:

- Bring new sets of natural resources into production
- Expand areas managed for wildlife and other natural resources
- Boost the abundance and productivity of natural resources
- Create incentives to manage wildlife and other natural resources sustainably
- Unlock the economic potential of wildlife, land and tourism in communal areas
- Promote the establishment of local management institutions
- Build local empowerment and skills.



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