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Conservation kraal challenge

The Mobi-Kraal initiative aims to design and trial a mobile kraal to better protect livestock from predation, maintain environmental integrity, and improve food security and farmer predation interactions.



ENTER THE CONSERVATION KRAAL CHALLENGE

The Conservation Kraal Challenge is seeking an innovative design to develop "Mobi-Kraal" - an affordable, safe, durable and portable predator-proof enclosure that will improve coexistence between people and predators within agricultural landscapes by reducing livestock losses and protecting predators, biodiversity and critical ecosystems.

Use your creativity and engineering know-how to conserve wildlife and help us to find a practical solution for farmers suffering stock losses.

WHEN TO ENTER

Submit your design for a mobile, predator-proof, affordable and durable kraal to the Conservation Kraal Challenge from **1 February to 30 June 2024**.

WHO CAN ENTER

- South African citizens, or permanent residents of South Africa, who are 18 years or older
- Individuals or teams of up to 5 people, from any discipline (engineering, agricultural and/or conservation experience is beneficial) and degree of qualification, including students, professionals and amateurs





CAPE LEOPARD TRUST

INFORMATION SHEET

WIN UP TO R50 000!

Participants stand a chance to win a cash prize of up to R50 000, and travel and accommodation costs valued at R 20 000 to help the Cape Leopard Trust develop and test their design.



Visit mobikraal.org or email mobikraal@capeleopard.org.za for more information.

Coffee table book on caracal

The Predation Management Centre (PMC) was privileged to attend the launch of the book *Simbamangu – through the eyes of caracal* on 16 November 2023 in Bloemfontein. The book is a coffee table picture book depicting the life of a caracal.

Dr Nico Avenant from the National Museum in Bloemfontein co-authored the book. The aim is to help increase awareness of the ecology and behaviour of this cat species, and the highly controversial and delicate topic of predation management. In an unemotional way, the text presents the facts on a topic that has so many sides. It emphasises that the road to finding solutions lies in working together with farmers. It also highlights the complexities of nature, as well as some of the most recent advances in the field of predation management in southern Africa.

Contact the Predation Management Centre (PMC) through their website <https://www.ufs.ac.za/pmc>, or email **PredationMC@ufs.ac.za** for more information on the methods described here or specialists in the field of predator control.



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