

# Esri Receives Jane Goodall Global Leadership Award

On 24th September 2011, conservationist and primatologist Dr. Jane Goodall, United Nations (UN) Messenger of Peace and founder of the Jane Goodall Institute (JGI), presented Jack Dangermond, president of Esri, with the Jane Goodall Global Leadership Award for Excellence in Conservation Science during the Institute's programme, 'A Conversation with Jane Goodall', in Hollywood, California, USA.

The award pays tribute to extraordinary people and organisations. Esri works with organisations throughout the world by supporting conservation research, education, policy development and sustainable practices.

"The Jane Goodall Institute has made people aware of their connection with species and habitats," says Dangermond. "It inspires a sense of responsibility that leads us to take positive actions toward preserving the inhabitants of this amazing planet. Esri is honoured to be recognised by this outstanding organisation."

"By combining Esri's geospatial technologies with JGI's decades' worth of practical knowledge and experience successfully engaging local communities and decision makers, we were able to design a landscape plan around Gombe National Park in Tanzania that better balances the needs of chimpanzees and people," says Dr. Lilian Pintea, JGI's vice president of conservation science.

Esri's conservation activities include donating GIS software to conservation organisations around the world; training hundreds of conservationists to use GIS software; providing a free mapping service for data, as well as maps and applications valuable for environment, habitat, and species analysis; and hosting the [Society for Conservation GIS](#).