

Review of: "Perception of Biodiversity versus Connection to Nature: Which Can Influence Wildlife Product Consumption in Vietnam?"

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Very interesting topic and research material – well done.

A few remarks and recommendations:

It would be helpful to have clear definitions of the terms and abbreviations used at the beginning of the paper, e.g. how do you define “Connection to Nature”, to also then better understand the set-up of the statements in the questionnaires (Likert scales).

I would advise not to generalize and adjust some more precise wording in the text. For example, in the introduction it says that “WPC is a major threat to biodiversity conservation”. In some African countries for example, the sustainable use of wildlife products ensures successful conservation and therefore I would adjust this sentence with the word “unsustainable”: “Unsustainable WPC is a major threat to biodiversity conservation.” Furthermore, the sentence in the chapter “Literature Review and Main Hypothesis”; “Cities consist of a large number of highly scattered and disconnected small green spaces” does not hold true for cities in general. Adding more precise wording would be beneficial. For some of the hypothesis the logical derivation does not become clear and should be relooked at. Also, the statement that CTN leads to decreased WPC does not hold true for other countries, where local, rural communities are very dependent on the sustainable use of natural resources and/or wildlife products.

Furthermore, formatting and precise wording should be relooked at in some parts of the text to improve comprehensibility.