

## BORN IN EUROPE, FIVE BLACK RHINOS FIND NEW HOME IN RWANDA

Five critically endangered black rhinos, born and bred in Europe, were in June flown from Czech Republic to Akagera National Park in Rwanda in the largest ever translocation of rhinos from Europe to Africa. The historic journey began at Safari Park Dvůr Králové, Czech Republic, where all five animals had lived since November 2018. The eastern black rhinoceros (*Diceros bicornis michaeli*), who were born and raised in zoo environments, will ultimately be released into their new and wild home in Akagera. The translocation was a collaboration between the European Association of Zoos and Aquaria (EAZA), the Government of Rwanda and conservation NGO African Parks.



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## EAWLS TO BOOST REGIONAL CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP

In an effort to forge greater bonds of collaboration in the region, the East Africa African Wild Life Society (EAWLS) hosted a cocktail reception for representatives from conservation groups in Uganda, where discussions focused on the need to form stronger partnerships between advocacy organisations in Kenya and Uganda. "We believe that collectively we can work towards reducing threats that may have significant negative ecological, environmental and social impacts in East Africa," said Elizabeth Gitari-Mitaru, Chairperson, EAWLS. She invited guests to become pioneering members of a Ugandan chapter of the Society that would champion sound conservation practices and policies in the country and the greater East African region.

### EAWLS is excited to welcome the following new members

#### KENYA

BAHATI MORARA  
PAUL STEPHEN OPANGA  
FATIMA SALIM  
ROWENA RUDD  
VALIANT WAIYAKI  
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