

# Kigali, Rwanda, hosts the Inaugural IUCN Africa Protected Areas Congress

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Fig. 1 - S2 (16.06.2022) - From July 18-23, 2022, the African Protected Areas Congress (APAC) will be held in Kigali, Rwanda.

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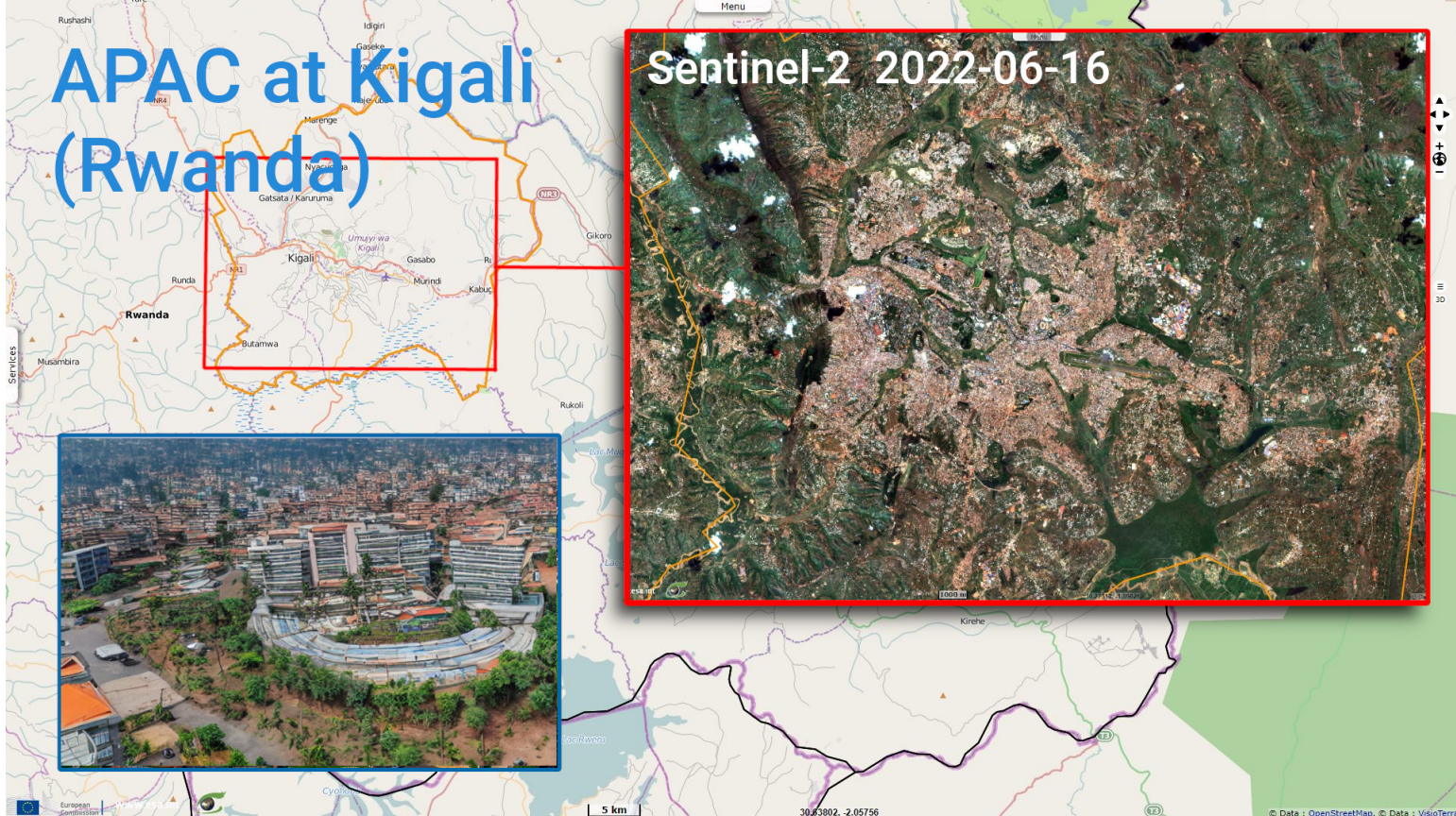
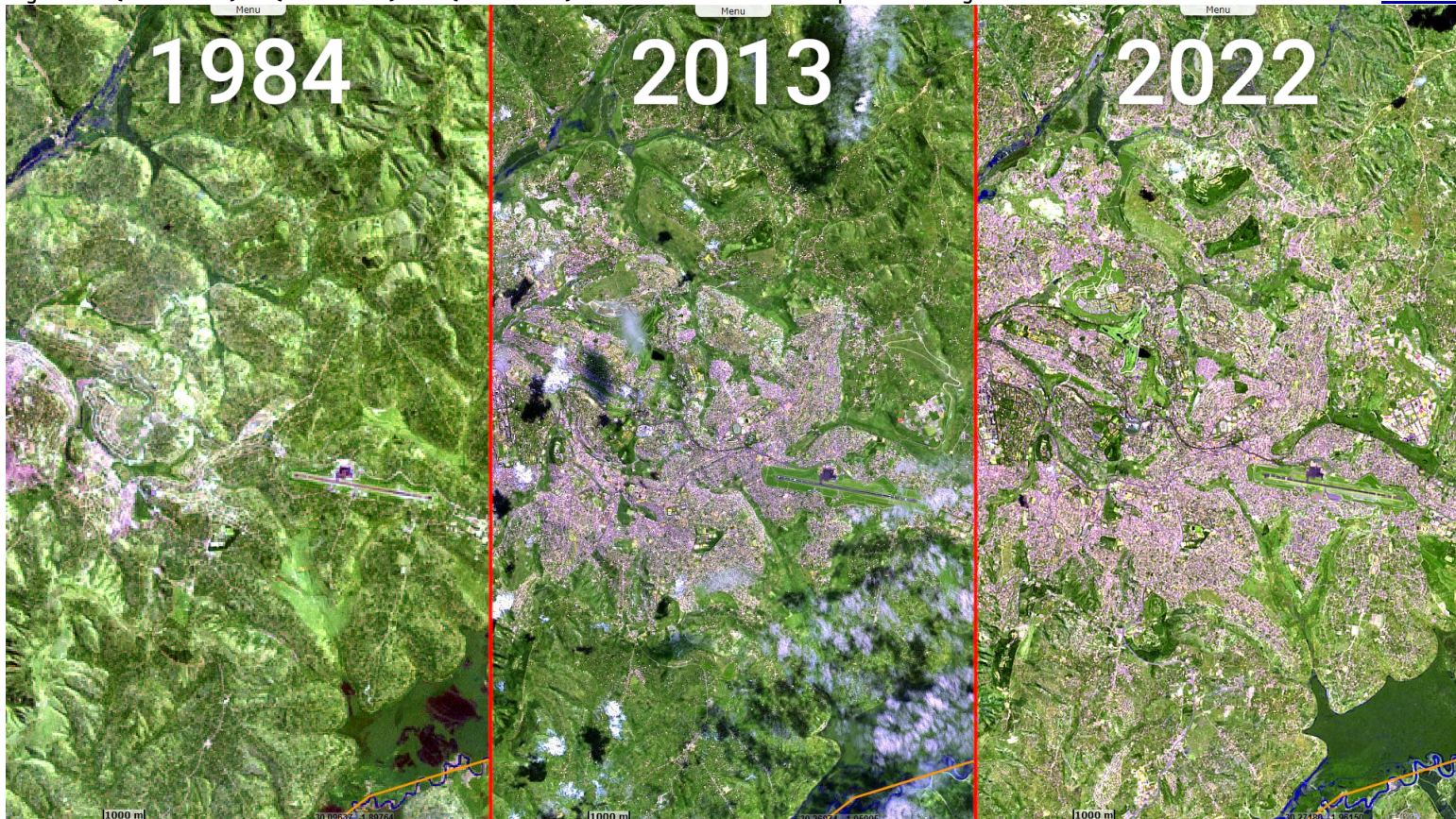


Fig. 2 - L5 (20.06.1984) L8 (04.06.2013) & S2(16.06.2022) - Overview of the urban expansion of Kigali from 1984 to 2022

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The overarching goal of the Congress is to position Africa's protected and conserved areas within the broader goals of economic development and community well-being and to increase understanding of the vital role parks play in biodiversity conservation and ecosystem provision.

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