

## **Dr. Tara Martin – Biography November 2017**

Dr. Tara Martin is a conservation scientist in the Department of Forest and Conservation Sciences, University of British Columbia and is a pioneer in the translation of ecological data into conservation management decisions. Dr Martin's research is being adopted around the world to help organizations decide what actions to take, when and where to get the best conservation outcomes, while taking into account the many other competing needs of society. With over 100 scientific publications, Tara's work bridges the gap between science and on-the-ground action.

Tara is the recipient of several awards and fellowships, including most recently the 2015 Thomson Reuters Citation & Innovation Award for her work on the effects of climate change on habitat loss and conservation decisions, and the 2017 Wilburforce Fellowship. Tara sits on several national and international panels including the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Climate Change Specialist Group, where she leads the Climate Adaptation theme. She is an associate editor for *Conservation Biology* and *Animal Conservation* and her current research interests include: prioritizing threat management for nature conservation and resource management; climate adaptation and mitigation under global change; recovery of endangered species; management of invasive and overabundant species; and decision making under uncertainty. For more on her research and lab go to <http://www.taramartin.org/>