



One Forest Summit Program

March 1 and 2, 2023 – Radisson Blu Hotel and Presidential Palace, Libreville

Types of events:

Ministerial Sessions, co-chaired by ministers, open to all participants

Leaders' segment, open to heads of state and government and select participants

Side Events, organised by third parties, open to all participants

Closed Events, invite only

March 1

Ministerial, civil society and expert level day

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	<i>Room Moabi</i>	<i>Room Libreville 1</i>	<i>Room Libreville 2</i> <i>To be confirmed</i>	<i>Room Okoumé</i>	<i>Room Ebène</i>
09:30 - 10:00am	Introductory Session by Ministers Lee White and Chrysoula Zacharopoulou				
	UNLOCKING INNOVATIVE SOURCES OF FINANCING	FOSTERING SUSTAINABLE VALUE CHAINS	PROMOTING SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION ON RAINFORESTS		
10:15 - 11:45am	Making market-based instruments deliver for climate, nature and people <i>Report on innovative finance mechanisms led by the GEF</i>	The sustainable exploitation of forests and the valorisation of wood products <i>Sustainable forest management, wood for construction and energy</i>	One Forest Vision Part 1 - Advances in forest monitoring <i>Key issues for rainforests: new approaches for observation, monitoring and data management</i>		
12:00 - 1:30pm	A coalition of champions to scale-up high environmental value carbon credits	Workshop on agroforestry and living income for producers <i>Example of the cocoa and coffee industry</i>	One Forest Vision Part 2 - Governance, partnership, training, research needs for a fair data platform	Coalition for the Congo Basin <i>Corporate coalition to support conservation work in the Congo Basin (organised by WWF)</i>	Strategic Orientation Committee of the International Coalition on "Biodiversity corridors in Africa" <i>(organised by Climate Chance)</i>
1:30 - 3:00pm	<i>Lunch Break</i>			Ministerial Lunch COP15 Follow up: Implementing the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework <i>Radisson Blu Restaurant</i>	

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3:00 - 4:30pm	Leveraging innovative finance mechanisms for nature <i>Debt-for-nature swaps, forest bonds, payment for ecosystem services, biodiversity certificates, etc.</i>	Workshop on traceability, the key to sustainability <i>Tools for traceability and challenges of European regulation</i>	Umbrella species of tropical forests and their link with the natural and cultural heritage of humanity	Ecological connectivity and compensation: an opportunity to recover biodiversity? (organised by Climate Chance)	
4:45 - 6:15pm	Mangrove Breakthrough at One Forest Summit (organised by Climate Champions)	Workshop on Sustainable Use of Forest Resources <i>The case of the cosmetic and pharmaceutical industry</i>	Fighting deforestation to prevent zoonoses <i>Preventing Zoonotic Disease Emergence (PREZODE)</i>	Ministerial meet-up with representatives of the One Forest Youth Forum	Sustainable Public Private Partnerships in tropical zones (Organised by Meridiam and FGIS)
7:30pm	Welcome cocktail reception <i>Nomad Hotel</i>				

March 2 – Morning
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	<i>Room Moabi</i>	<i>Room Libreville 1</i>	<i>Room Libreville 2</i>	<i>Room Okoumé</i>	<i>Room Ebène</i>
			One Forest Business Forum		
09:00 – 10:30am	One Forest Business Forum	Rainforest Monitoring in Gabon: Partnerships, technology and innovation <i>(organised by AGEOS and WWF)</i>	Meeting of business leaders on the main messages to convey to government leaders 9:00 – 10:15	International Partnerships for Forests 09:00 – 11:00	
10:45 – 12:15pm	Pitching session of innovative solutions for forest preservation 10:30 – 11:05 Dialogue between ministers, business and civil society leaders 11:15 – 12:45	Science in the Congo Basin: Progress, gaps & recommendations 10:45 – 12:15		Hackathon <i>A co-design tool to support the One Forest Vision - reflection workshop</i> 11:15 – 12:45	
12:30 – 2:00pm					

March 2 - Afternoon
 High-level segment for heads of state and government
Presidential Palace

Heads of state and government opening ceremony

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3:30pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introductory remarks by the moderator, Ms. Asha Sumputh. - Broadcast of a video: "The sentinels of the forest" - Introductory remarks by the President of the Gabonese Republic, Mr. Ali Bongo Ondimba - Introductory remarks by the President of the French Republic, Mr. Emmanuel Macron |
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"One Forest Vision: a dialogue with the scientific community"

This first discussion will address issues related to scientific cooperation between the three forest basins and present to the Leaders an aspirational project, "One Forest Vision", on the search for new knowledge at the scale of the most vital reserves of carbon and biodiversity.

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4:15pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keynote - Audrey Azoulay, Director General of UNESCO - Presentation of the " One Forest Vision " project by : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Simon Lewis, Professor of Global Change Science at UCL - Chalapan Kalawin, Dean of University of Papua New Guinea's School of Natural and Physical Sciences - Jean-Christophe Bokika, President of Mbou-Mon-Tour (MMT), a Congolese NGO specializing in the protection of bonobos - Salomé Buchaki, Professor at Oxford and member of the One Health High-Level Expert Panel - Questions and answers with the Heads of State and Government |
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Keynotes on the protection of tropical forests

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4:45pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tamarah Moutotekema Boussamba, representative of the One Forest Youth Summit: What are the proposals of African youth to better protect forests? - Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Chadian activist, member of the IIFCC |
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4:45 - 5:00pm	<p><i>Break and broadcast of a video on tropical forests (The Explorers)</i></p>
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"Is there a business case to protect tropical rainforests?"

This second discussion will demonstrate that to protect the forest, it is not necessary to put it under a bell, but to better exploit it, by organizing the transition of the models of production in the forest countries towards the bioeconomy, centered on the local transformation, the traceability of the products, and the remuneration of the populations.

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- Speakers:
 - Marc Palahi, Director of the European Forest Institute
 - Gagan Gupta, President of ARIZE, promoter of free trade zones in Africa
 - Violette Combe, Director of Operations, Veja
 - Wanjira Mathai, WRI Africa Regional Director
- Questions and answers with the Heads of State and Government

Can we agree on cash transfers for ecosystem services?

This third discussion will demonstrate that there is a potential "second dividend" for forest countries seeking to protect their forests, through innovative payment mechanisms for forest ecosystem services: The objective will be to improve the characterization and growth of the high economic value and environmental integrity carbon credit market segment, but also to follow up on the "Positive Conservation Partnerships" (PCPs) initiative launched at COP27 on financing the conservation of vital carbon and biodiversity reserves, including through innovative products such as "biodiversity certificates".

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- Speakers:
 - Philippe Zaouati, Managing Director of the investment fund Mirova
 - Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, Chief Executive Officer of GEF
 - M. Sanjayan, CEO of Conservation International
 - Razan Al Mubarak, IUCN Chair and UN Climate Change High-Level Champion from the COP28 Presidency
- Questions and answers with the Heads of State and Government
- Keynote - Lionel Zinsou, Managing Partner, Southbridge

Closing Ceremony

6:45
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7:15pm

- Closing speech of the President of the French Republic, Mr. Emmanuel Macron
- Closing speech of the President of the Gabonese Republic, Mr. Ali Bongo Ondimba

Evening

Diner cocktail with heads of state and government