



# Global Grasslands & Savannahs Dialogue Platform

29. June 2021:

Time: 14:30-16:00 CEST / 13:30-15:00 GMT / 9:30-11:00 Brasilia / 08:30-10:00 EST / 15:30-17:00 Nairobi

## Focus of the meeting:

- Up-date on North-American's grasslands
- Up-date on China's Grasslands
- Learn about Global Rangeland Atlas and next steps
- Presentation from Mapbiomas on the mapping exercise in Brazil
- Update on up-coming events and activities

## Agenda:

When	What	Who
14:30 -14:35	<b>Welcome and objectives</b>	Martina Fleckenstein (WWF)
14:35 -15:00	<b>Get connected:</b> <b>Opportunity for Introductions: learn about participants' work focus and areas of interest</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Learn about North-American's grasslands</b> <i>(Juergen Hoth, Co-Chair for North America, UN International Year for Rangelands and Pastoralists)</i></li> <li>• <b>Learn about China's Grasslands and Wetlands (Songnen Plain, Northeast of China),</b> <i>presentation from WWF China team</i></li> </ul>	Participants give short intro in their work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jurgen Hoth</li> <li>• Ge Zheng (WWF China)</li> </ul>
15:00 – 15:10	<b>Presentation of Global Rangeland Atlas</b> <a href="http://www.rangelandsdata.org/atlas/">www.rangelandsdata.org/atlas/</a>	Fiona Flintan
15:10 -15:20	<b>Q &amp; A</b>	
15.20- 15:35	<b>Presentation Mapping exercise in Brazil on non-forest ecosystems</b> <a href="https://mapbiomas.org/en/initiatives">https://mapbiomas.org/en/initiatives</a> .	Mapbiomas
15:35- 15:45	<b>Q &amp; A</b>	
15:45 - 15:55	<b>Up-coming events</b>	All
15:55 - 16:00	<b>Next steps and other business</b>	Martina

*Mapbiomas, are experts in mapping and have established a robust and reliable land use monitoring platform in a range of ecoregions, biomes and countries. Their work is a collaboration of interested groups in the countries they work, including researchers, academia and NGOs. They are based in Brazil and began work with WWF in the Cerrado, but have since expanded their network beyond Brazil. As we know one of the challenges from a non-forest landscape perspective is the current lack of reliable global or local data to map land-use change, land cover and a means to continuously and consistently monitor it. Mapbiomas have established a tried and tested methodology and a robust technical platform to support it. More details of their work can be found <https://mapbiomas.org/en/initiatives>.*