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UNITED NATIONS DECADE ON
ECOSYSTEM
RESTORATION
2021-2030

UNCCD COP 15

GRASSLANDS, SAVANNAHS & RANGELANDS COALITION FOR FOOD, PEOPLE AND NATURE

High Level Breakfast

WEDNESDAY

11th May, 8:30 AM

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United Nations
Convention to Combat
Desertification

The Coalition of Grasslands, Savannahs and Rangelands



The proposed goals of the coalition are:

- Build **political momentum** for the recognition of the pivotal role played by grasslands, savannahs and rangelands for food, people and nature with a view to increasing public and private investments to protect, restore and sustainably manage these landscapes.
- Ensure that the **multiple benefits of grassland, savannah and rangeland restoration** are accounted for as key contributions to land degradation neutrality (LDN), climate mitigation, biodiversity protection, and food security.
- **Restore at least 90 million hectares** of degraded grasslands, savannahs and rangelands by 2030 to enhance food and freshwater security and become “nature positive”.



Grasslands, Savannahs & Rangelands Coalition for Food, Nature & People: Participants at Abidjan COP event



Objectives

1. Political momentum
2. Policy & advocacy
3. Investment
4. Restoration

27 Countries

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| 1. Algeria | 9. Ecuador | 19. Mongolia |
| 2. Armenia | 10. France | 20. Morocco |
| 3. Bangladesh | 11. Guatemala | 21. Nepal |
| 4. Bhutan | 12. Haiti | 22. Turkey |
| 5. Cameroon | 13. Italy | 23. Saudi Arabia |
| 6. Central African Republic | 14. Gabon | 24. UK |
| 7. China | 15. Georgia | 25. USA |
| 8. Dominican Republic | 16. Germany | 26. UAE |
| | 17. Mali | 27. Zambia |
| | 18. Mexico | |

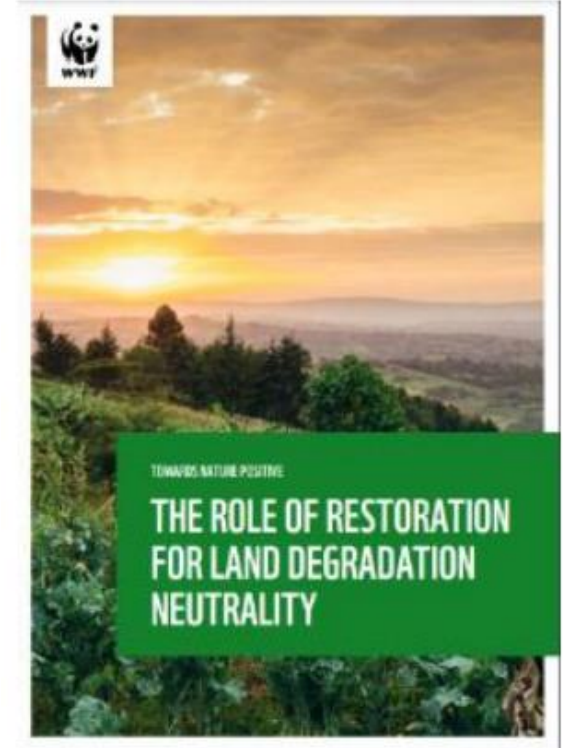
Partners

1. African Development Bank
2. CIFOR-ICRAF
3. CGIAR-CIAT
4. FAO
5. GCF
6. GEF
7. IUCN
8. UNCCD
9. UNEP

Restoration for Land Degradation Neutrality



1. Accelerate and scale-up joint and aligned implementation of **restoration commitments**, made under the Rio Conventions to maximise impact and effectiveness and support integrated responses
2. Establish a strong link between **LDN, Nature Positive and Nature-based Solutions**
3. Develop comprehensive and inclusive policy portfolios to support restoration of **degraded natural and semi-natural ecosystems** to bolster food security, regain ecosystem services, support rural communities and reduce or eliminate the need for conversion
4. Promote sector-specific **enabling conditions** and incentives for financing and implementation of restoration across the entire economy



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VISION

Nature & ecosystem services are protected, maintained & restored in grasslands, savannahs & rangelands

Policy & Legislation

- Policy process interventions in Rio Conventions (UNCCD / CBD / UNFCCC)
- Enabling environment: national legislation to protect, sustainably manage & restore, producer incentives

Resources for Implementation

- Regional or sub regional programmes
- National resources
- Bilateral & multilateral donors
- Private sector
- Foundation

Private Sector

- Commitments
- Transparency mechanisms
- Sustainable value chains

Technology & Tools

- Mapping
- Synthesis and meta research
- Monitoring systems
- Knowledge sharing & dissemination

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Expectations

- ❖ **Collective voice for GSR**
- ❖ **Advocacy group or *Group of Friends***
- ❖ **Country driven**
- ❖ **Technical support: WWF, IUCN and networks (dialogue platform, etc)**



Questions and discussion



- ❖ **Suggestions / feedback on follow up actions?**
- ❖ **How can your organisations support this agenda?**
- ❖ **What relevant actions can connect to or build on this?**

