

GTCRR side event at COP27

Contributions of local communities (including women and youth) and indigenous peoples in the fight against climate change: achievements, challenges and perspectives

The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) is the largest country in Central Africa. It is home to the largest share of tropical forests on the African continent, with more than 155 million hectares of forests, rich in highly endemic biodiversity. However, like all the other countries in the world, DRC is impacted by the consequences of climate change. It can, however, cope with this scourge because it has natural resources.

In view of the sacrifices that Congolese men and women make for the preservation and sustainable management of its resources, the Renovated REDD+ Climate Working Group or GTCRR, a national network of more than 600 member organisations; believes that the country should receive special attention at the negotiating table. It should receive fair compensation for safeguarding this rich heritage, and its population should be guaranteed the “right to enjoy all its environmental potential through a right of access to the “CLIMATE FUNDS.”

Given these assets, the GTCRR will present the experiences of local communities and indigenous peoples, more specifically young people, and women, as well as the efforts made by them to fight climate change. This panel will present these experiences and the collaboration with partner organisations either to support these local initiatives for effective climate justice or by making available the means for this fight. Furthermore, the need to continue to support these local initiatives will be demonstrated by the members of this network through arguments based on facts on the ground.

Speakers

- **M. Felix Lilakako** (DRC NDC facilitator)
- **Mrs Dorothée Lisenga** (CFLEDD coordinator)
- **Dr Solange Bandiaky-Badji** (Director of RRI)
- **M. François Biloko** (Executive Secretary of CREF Network)
- **Diel Mochire** (PIDP Coordinator)
- **M. Faustin BOYEMBA** (FONAREDD Vice-Coordinator)

Facilitator

M. Guy KAJEMBA, National Coordinator of GTCRR



Egypt, Sharm-El-Sheik,
DRC Pavilion



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