Press Release: The 12th meeting of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership (CBFP) Governing Council, December 18, 2023, 2-4:30 P.M., Virtual



Yaoundé, December 16, 2023. The 12th meeting of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership (CBFP) Governing Council will be held on Monday, December 18, 2023, at 2 P.M.-4:30 P.M.(Paris time) by videoconference.

This meeting gathering CBFP's seven (7) colleges a few days to the end of the COP28's sessions aims at; reviewing the implementation of recommendations made during CBFP's last Governing Council, presenting operational activities for the 2023-2025 roadmap of the Franco-Gabonese Co-facilitation and the CBFP governance reinforcement project.

The council equally had to adopt an agenda ensuring the visibility of Central African forests, the COMIFAC and CBFP during international events and finally, provide updates on the organisation of the 20th meeting of the CBFP Parties to be held in Luanda, Angola from June 3 to 7, 2024.

The agenda of the 12th meeting of CBFP's Governing Council shall be as follows:

- Opening session: Speeches of Minister Prosper Dodiko(Burundi, COMIFAC) and Commissioner Honoré Tabuna (ECCAS).
- Presentation of the operational activities of the 2023-2025 roadmap
- CBFP related governance works
- The organisation of the 20th Meeting of the CBFP Parties
- Agenda of international events and visibility of Central African forests
- Conclusion

CO-PRESIDENTS of the 12th meeting of the CBFP Governing Council: His Excellency **Mr Propser Dodiko**, Minister of Environment, Agriculture and Livestock, Burundi, COMIFAC's president in office ,**Dr Honoré TABUNA**: ECCAS Commissioner in Charge of Environment, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, His Excellency **Dr Aurélie Flore Koumba Pambo**, Gabon's Ambassador for Climate, Sustainable Development and Environment, CBFP Co-Facilitator for the Republic of Gabon and His Excellency **Christophe Guilhou**, French Director for Sustainable Development at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the French Co-Facilitator of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership (CBFP).

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