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## 14th Summit of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD)

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CBFP side event: Meeting between the Sahel and northern equatorial Africa - The challenges of the nexus: cross-border transhumance, survival of protected areas, natural resources, and human lives, development, security and peace

Wednesday 24 January 2024, 17h00 - 18h30, Virtual.

## Geneva, 23 January 2024.

The 14th Summit of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) opened on Monday 22 January 2024 in Geneva, Switzerland. For four days, a number of States, NGOs and stakeholders will discuss the major challenges linked to migration and the priorities for political action.

Under the aegis of the Co-Facilitator of France, Ambassador Christophe Guilhou, the Congo Basin Forest Partnership (CBFP) is taking part in the GFMD and is organising a side event on Wednesday 24 January 2024, from 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm (virtual), on the theme: Meeting between the Sahel and northern equatorial Africa - The challenges of the nexus: cross-border transhumance, survival of protected areas, natural resources, and human lives, development, security and peace.

The side event aims to explore the main results of the implementation of the N'Djamena Declaration on peaceful transhumance between the countries of the Sahel and northern Equatorial Africa, through a presentation of case studies of the investment plans adopted by the eight countries of the N'Djamena Declaration in Yaoundé, at the 2nd International Conference of Ministers on Transhumance, held in July 2023.

The programme of the CBFP side event at the 14th Summit of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) includes:

 Opening session French Co-Facilitation of the CBFP, Ambassador Christophe Guilhou, ECCAS Commission, Dr Honoré TABUNA, Message from civil society, Ms Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim;







- Introductory presentations on the N'Djamena Declaration: Its importance, challenges, opportunities and prospects;
- Panel Feedback from the field: Overview of the implementation of the Ndjamena Declaration - Results of studies, strategies, mapping, programming, projects, cross-border agreements;
- Closing session, Recommendations and conclusion. Closing speech by Dr Aurélie F. Koumba Pambo, Co-Facilitator of Gabon of the CBFP.

For more information, please consult the <u>framework note for the side</u> <u>event</u>. Please download your <u>invitation</u>.

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