



Global Landscapes Forum – 19.-20.12.2017

Bonn – World Conference Center
Room SANTIAGO

SIDE EVENT on AFR100
11 am – 12:30 pm on 20 December 2017

Concept Note

Programme

20.12.2017

11:00 – 11:10	Welcome address and key statements	Dr Stefan Schmitz, Deputy Director General BMZ
11:10-11:20	Statement by Secretary General, Ministry of Environment, Madagascar	Mr Liva Hariniaina Ramiandrarivo
11:20-11:30	Statement by Deputy Director General of Forestry, Research and Extension Water and Forest Authority, Rwanda	Mr Felix Rurangwa
11:30-11:40	Key note	Mr Mamadou Diakhité, NEPAD
11:40 – 12:00	Panel discussion	Facilitator: Ms Birgit Gerhardus, BMZ, Panelists: Mr Stewart Maginnis, IUCN Mr Mamadou Diakhité, NEPAD Ms Karin Kemper, World Bank Mr Sean DeWitt, WRI
12:00 – 12:20	Q&A from audience	
12:20-12:30	Summary and outlook	Mr Sean DeWitt, WRI
12:30 – 13:30	Light lunch for participants	



Background & Context:

AFR100 is an Africa-wide, country-driven initiative to reverse degradation of forests and tree rich landscapes by means of Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR). By 2030, African countries target to bring 100 M hectares under restoration.

Two years into implementation, AFR100 has gained impressive momentum:

- 26 African countries have pledged more than 84 Million hectares or almost 85 % of the target
- 12+ countries are in the process to defining target landscapes for restoration and establishing national strategies and coordination processes
- A wide array of technical and financial partners, processes and programs stand by partner countries to shift from FLR pledges to implementation at scale.

BMZ together with NEPAD, WRI, IUCN, Worldbank and others launched the AFR100-Initiative in support of the international Forest Landscape Restoration agenda, especially the “Bonn Challenge” and the “New York Declaration on Forests”.

GLF offers the opportunity to share successes to date and challenges at hand with a broad range of professionals, scientists and policy makers and practitioners interested in the overarching topic of landscapes and FLR. AFR100 on the other hand provides a clear concept of how to translate the abstract landscape-approach into real life and tangible results.

FROM PLEDGES TO IMPLEMENTATION

While country pledges represent the first – and very important – step towards restoring forests and tree-rich, productive landscapes, challenges become apparent with the move towards implementing FLR at scale:

- Spatially explicit land use planning and the respective cartographic fundamentals
- Monitoring of FLR in partner countries and strengthening capacity of partners to take on responsibility in managing national FLR-Portfolio
- Land and resource tenure
- Institutional capacities in technical, planning, implementing and monitoring aspects
- Financial resources, national and international

While still at an early stage, the AFR100 Initiative has a wealth of experiences to offer. The side event will share, discuss and draw conclusions for the way forward.

COMMITMENTS NEED RESPONSES

Key partners of the AFR100 Initiative will pave the way forward towards responses for partner countries implementing FLR. The Side Event will:



- Present and discuss key challenges and lessons from several perspectives (countries, donors, technical partners and civil society)
- Draw conclusions to strengthen momentum for FLR in Africa

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