



Concept note

One Planet Summit for Biodiversity side event

Great Green Wall Investment Forum

The One Planet Summit for Biodiversity will be held in Paris on 11 January and will bring together world leaders to provide concrete and innovative solutions to reduce pressure on nature. One key focus of the summit is agroecology as a tool to protect diverse ecosystems while enabling job creation and food security. Agroecology is a topical example of the impact nature-based solutions have on both environmental and socio-economic issues. The creation of the Great Green Wall Accelerator takes the commitment to agroecology to an unprecedented level of ambition: it is a multi-stakeholder mobilization to support the implementation of the Great Green Wall Initiative (GGWI) by 2030 with an initial package of \$10 billion.

The Great Green Wall Investment Forum side event will begin a dialogue to channel private finance to meet the 2030 goals set for the GGW Initiative. It also has a broader objective, namely to create a new dynamic where private finance and businesses engage directly to restore land and ecosystems. The Forum will also provide an opportunity to introduce the IAM Africa Charter (International Agroecological Movement for Africa) in the presence of its distinguished partners.

Place: Elysée Palace - in person for speakers / live, virtual transmission on the OPS platform

Time: 11 January 2021 from 10.30 a.m to 12.00 p.m.

Participants on site: maximum 30 people

Participants online: One Planet Summit platform - between 500 and 1,000

Format: 90 minutes

Outcomes

1. Financial commitments from private investors for the GGWI : creation of a leading movement of finance to link nature capital to green economy committing around 2.5Billion€ for the Great Green Wall Initiative, in addition to the \$10Billions commitment of the international GGWI partners.
2. Signature of the IAM Africa charter by more than a 100 international companies involved in agri-livestock value chains in the Sahel

Detailed program of the forum :

Opening session (15 minutes)

10:30 Welcoming speech, Jean-Yves Le Drian, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, France
10:35 The Great Green Wall initiative, an African solution for the Planet, Moussa Faki Mahamat, African Union Commission (AUC) Chairperson (tbc)
10:40 Resetting the economy, regenerating the planet, HRH the Prince of Wales

The Great Green Wall Accelerator, a large scale mobilisation to achieve a world wonder (45 minutes)

Session 1 : A new approach based on 5 pillars of action for a better coordination of stakeholders

10:46 Ibrahim Thiaw, Executive Secretary, UNCCD
10:49 Gilbert F. Houngbo, President, IFAD
10:52 Yannick Glemarec, Executif Director, Green Climate Fund (live video)
10:55 Nicole Schwab, CEO, 1T.org World Economic Forum

Session 2 : A financial commitment up the challenges of the Great Green Wall Initiative

11:00 Dr Abdoulaye Dia, Executive secretary, APA-GWV
11:03 Dr Akinwumi Adesina, President, AFDB (tbc)
11:06 Rémi Rioux, General Director, AFD
11:09 Philippe Zaouati, CEO, Mirova

Session 3 : Reconcile the challenges of restoration, food security and carbon sequestration through the mobilization of actors in agroecological value chains

11:14 Qu Dongyu, DG, FAO (tbc)
11:17 Karim Ait Talb, Managing director at Geocoton, leader of IAM AFRICA
11:20 Carlos Manuel Rodriguez, CEO, GEF (tbc)

Closing session (30 minutes)

11:25 Mohamed OULD CHEIKH EL GHAZOUANI, President of Mauritania
11:35 Emmanuel MACRON, President of France
11:45 Q&A session with the public online : 3-4 questions