



AFRICA CSOs BIODIVERSITY ALLIANCE DIALOGUES

PERSPECTIVES ON SPATIAL PROTECTION TARGETS IN THE POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK

Proposed date:	24 th of November 2020
Time:	17:00 to 18:30 pm (Nairobi, East Africa Time)
Proposed format:	Presentation of perspectives and Discussions
Workshop venue:	Dialogue, using Zoom platform

Register: https://awf-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYodumsrD0rHt2lCayxxn0yUDRZd_pTH2zy

Background

In the zero draft of the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) released in January of 2020, proposed action target #2 stated, “Protect sites of particular importance for biodiversity through protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, by 2030 covering at least [60%] of such sites and at least [30%] of land and sea areas with at least [10%] under strict protection.” In the revised version of this text released in June 2020, target #2 now reads: “By 2030, protect and conserve through well connected and effective system of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures at least 30% of the planet with the focus on areas particularly important for Biodiversity.” Targets will be again discussed and negotiated during CBD’s 3rd Open Ended Working Group (OEWG) tentatively scheduled for the first quarter of 2021 in Cali, Colombia.

The discussion of the percentage figure (at least 30%) has been deferred to the 24th meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA) tentatively scheduled to take place in the first quarter of 2021 in Canada.

Concern has been raised by African Constituencies on the proposed spatial protection targets, their impact on custodians of nature (indigenous people and local communities) and on sustainable use, particularly in the context of protected areas under the management of local communities and IPs that may be targeted.

Participants will have an opportunity to hear consideration of the science and principles underpinning the call to protect and conserve at least 30% of the planet, to discuss proposed mechanisms for 30x30 protection to be achieved, and to discuss constraints and challenges - from a global, regional and national perspective.

The session is primarily informational, to help participants understand the varying perspectives in order to make informed decisions and positions on the matter.

ALL Participants join before **17:00 East Africa Time**

Time	Activity
17:00 – 17:05	Welcoming remarks & brief Introduction of speakers: - Frederick Kwame Kumah, African Wildlife Foundation (AWF)
17:05 – 17:40	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Global Perspectives on spatial protection targets 30 X 30 - Campaign for Nature – Kina Murphy & Raina Thiele - 15 mins 2. Perspectives on progress towards 30x30 in the Africa region and value of protection and challenges in achieving it Dr. Jean Harris, WILDOCEANS - 10 mins 3. Alternative perspective to spatial protection targets in Africa Professor Moenieba Isaacs, Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies – 10 mins
17:40 – 18:00	Discussants: - Perspectives from Africa CSOs about the need for increased spatial protection and concerns and reservations about how to achieve it <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - David Obura, CORDIO East Africa - 5 mins - Lucy Mullenkei, Indigenous Information Network – 5 mins - Barbara Lassen, Natural Justice – 5 mins - James Murombedzi, UNECA – 5 mins
18:00 - 18:25	Questions & Answers and Discussions - Frederick Kwame Kumah
18:25 - 18:30	Moderator Wrap-Up and Conclusions – Frederick Kwame Kumah