

African Forest Forum

Side Event

STRENGTHENING FOREST MANAGEMENT FOR ENHANCED LIVELIHOODS AND RESILIENCE IN A CHANGING ENVIRONMENT IN AFRICA

Monday 2 May 2022

**05:30pm – 07:00 Seoul, South Korea Time | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm EAT | 04:30am – 6:00 EDT
| 10:30am-12:00 CAT | 8:30 am – 10:00 WAT**

Background

Forests remain crucial to attaining sustainable development in Africa since they affect the social, economic, and environmental spheres that contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

There are many opportunities for greening the planet whilst enhancing livelihoods and scaling up resilience. These options have the potential to restore forest landscapes, provide forest ecosystem services, improve climate-resilient livelihoods and environment, sustain availability of biomass energy, and create green jobs. All these combine to underline the crucial role of trees and forests in Africa to eradicate poverty and secure environmental stability.

The African Forest Forum and partners are organizing this side event aimed at sharing highlights on challenges for improving the livelihoods in Africa through better forest management in the context of adverse effects of climate change.

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Time	Activity	Responsibility
05:30–05:35	Welcome Remarks	AFF Secretariat
05:35–05:45	Drivers of forest cover loss in Africa and alternatives to contain it	Djibril S. Dayamba
05:45–05:55	The African framework for integrating mitigation and adaptation in response to climate change	Marie Louise Avana Tientcheu
05:55–06:05	Reversing deforestation and forest degradation: REDD+ experiences from Tanzania	Charles Meshack
06:05–06:15	The contribution of forests, and tree-based landscapes to poverty alleviation in Africa	Doris Mutta
06:15–06:25	Non-Timber Forest Products value chains for improved resilience in arid and semi-arid Africa	Ben Chikamai
06:25–06:35	Strengthening a gender inclusive forest and tree resources management in Africa	Cecile Ndjebet
06:35 – 06:55	Discussions	Participants
06:55 – 7:00	Closing remarks	AFF Secretariat