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**Side-event to the 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Commission on Poplars and Other Fast-Growing Trees Sustaining People and the Environment (IPC)**

## **Fast-Growing Trees to Advance Wood in the Bioeconomy in Africa**

**22 October 2024, 16:15-17:45 - Bordeaux, France**

Register [here](#) for online participation

The dialogue aims to facilitate an exchange of perspectives and lessons learned on opportunities, challenges, and pathways to increase access to and benefits from Fast-Growing Trees (FGTs) in the context of Africa's transition to the Bioeconomy. Through a review of successful examples and country case studies, this side event will explore FGT production systems and value chain development, considering socioeconomic, environmental, and governance issues. The event will also feature discussions on the most recent research on FGTs for wood production and bioeconomy support in Africa. Policymakers, researchers, and industry experts are invited to assess policies and science guiding the expansion of sustainable wood use in the bioeconomy.

The event will be held in **English** and **French**, with interpretation available also in **Spanish**.

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