



Session: **Wildlife Forum**  
Date: **Wednesday, 9 September, 10:00 - 15:00**

## **Description**

The one-day Wildlife Forum will address challenges and opportunities in sustainable wildlife management, showcasing the experiences of countries, organizations, indigenous peoples, local communities and the private sector in addressing poverty alleviation and livelihood security issues while safeguarding the world's rich and diverse wildlife.

Sustainable wildlife management practices help to conserve native fauna and their natural habitats, and to improve the livelihoods of rural communities. Deforestation and conversion of forested habitats to agricultural and other land uses, forest fragmentation and degradation, wildlife habitat encroachment, overgrazing, human-wildlife conflict, and the unregulated, unsustainable exploitation of wildlife and its products (bushmeat) pose threats to wildlife resources.

The 1st Wildlife Forum offers a unique opportunity to exchange information and knowledge on initiatives across different sectors and biomes related to the sustainable use and conservation of terrestrial and semi-terrestrial wildlife. The event will focus on four main topics:

- community-based management and governance
- wildlife crime and legality issues
- human-wildlife conflict
- bushmeat, food security and livelihoods

The Wildlife Forum is organized by the Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management, a voluntary partnership of 13 international organizations with substantive mandates and programmes for the sustainable use and conservation of wildlife resources.

## **Who can attend?**

Everyone registered for the World Forestry Congress, from all sectors, is welcome to join the Wildlife Forum.

Please indicate your interest in attending the event when registering for the Congress.

## **Contact**

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