

# CONCEPTNOTE Indigenous Peoples' & Local Communities' Conservation Congress

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We take care of our lands. This is our land by birth. We have knowledge, that was gifted to us by our forefathers, that teaches us how to sustain our land and be sustained by it. How can someone that has never lived in our land know how to care for it? How can our people and our lands be managed by laws made by people that live outside the forest and away from the great plains? Living sustainably in our forests, in our great plains, is about relationship, about interdependence. Without the land we wouldn't be here and without us the richness of our environment would succumb to greed and power.

Laboot Declaration 2022, Kigali, Rwanda

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Indigenous Peoples (IPs) and Local Communities (LCs) are interested in conservation practices that embrace universal principles of justice, collaboration, reconciliation, peace, and respect for all knowledge systems and models of conservation – both landscape-wide and waterscape-wide – that take into consideration human perspectives, including their livelihood systems. They call for a conservation ethos that does not criminalize their livelihood systems, and a philosophy that is anchored on land justice. ~ The IP and LC Alliance for Conservation in Africa Strategy 2023-2027.

## I. Background

In July 2022, more than 2,400 representatives from across 53 African countries and delegates from 20 countries outside Africa convened at The African Protected Areas Congress (APAC) in Kigali, Rwanda. The participants were drawn from governments, conservation actors from in and outside Africa, civil society organizations, Indigenous Peoples (IP) and local communities (LCs), academic institutions, and youth. Their goal was to discuss and enhance conservation in Africa.

The event's discussions were anchored on three streams: Protected areas; people; and biodiversity; and six cross-cutting themes:

- 1. Governance
- 2. Conflict
- 3. Climate change
- 4. Science, technology, and Indigenous knowledge
- 5. Sustainable financing; and

#### 6. Physical infrastructure

Prior to the event, IPs LCs and young Africans held two pre-congress events to coordinate action and set their collective priorities. These two pre-congresses led to declarations on the conservation agenda in Africa (Youth Declaration and the IP and LC Declaration<sup>1</sup>), which were presented during the event's closing alongside the Kigali Call to Action.

The Kigali Call to Action recognizes the need to acknowledge, respect and support the rights, identities, and governance systems of IP and LCs, and to promote fair and equitable sharing of costs and benefits associated with conservation areas. This document also calls for acknowledgment and redress of past and ongoing injustices experienced in the pursuit of conservation goals and the centering of African people in contemporary conservation practices. The IP and LC Declaration emphasizes the need to halt the violence of conservation in all dimensions, and underscores the importance of secure tenure and land justice as central pillars for the African conservation agenda. IP and LCs are determined to articulate community-led mod-

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els of conservation that result in positive outcomes for both biodiversity and people. To this end, they have set out to develop a strategy that allows them to hold governments, donor agencies, international conservation NGOs, conservationists, and other key stakeholders to account, while advocating for speedy implementation of the commitments made<sup>2</sup>. As outlined in the IP and LC Declaration, they have created a Pan-African collaboration called The Alliance for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities for Conservation in Africa (AICA), as a platform for their shared concerns, actions, programs, cross-learning among states, and to follow up on the commitments made in Kigali.

One of the activities envisioned in the Alliance's strategy is convening the first IP and LC-led conservation congress on the continent: The Indigenous Peoples' and Local Communities' Conservation Congress, hosted by the Community Leaders Network and supported by Rights and Resources Initiative (RRI).

This event will be held in Windhoek, Namibia on October 25-27, 2023.

### 01 Victoria Falls Declaration

(Zimbabwe) June 25, 2019

### THE JOURNEY TO AFRICAN IPLCs STRATEGY

VENUE: BOMA INN, NAIROBI DATES: 15<sup>TH</sup>- 18<sup>TH</sup> 2023 MARCH

IMPACT Kanya, ICCA Consortium, PARAN-Alliance (Kerya), PINGOS For Postoralists Women's Council (Tanzania), Indigenous Information Networ Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee (IPACC), Ogger Pe Association of Indigenous Women and Peoples of Chad (AFPAT), Frence The Network of Indigenous Peoples and Local Committies for the Sust Ecosystems (REPALEF - DRC). The African Indigenous Women Organiza

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The IP and LC Kigali Declaration is informed by a number of sub-regional declarations: the Nairobi, Victoria Falls, Ouagadougou, Goma and Laboot Declarations that were endorsed prior to the Congress.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The need for targeted mobilization is informed by the fact that other declarations that have included pro-people provisions e.g., the 2003 Durban Accord have largely remained unimplemented.

02 Goma Declaration (DR Congo) 9 June 2021

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O3 Ouagadougou Declaration (Burkina Faso)

19 Nov 2021

Laboot Declaration (Kenya) 19 June 2022

### 05 EAIPLCs Declaration

(Kenya) 15th-16th June 2022

# 06 Kigali IPLCs

(Rwanda) 16th-17th July 2022

### 08 IPLCs Strategy Development

(Nairobi, Kenya) 20th-21st Dec 2022

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### 07 APAC

Kigali Call To Action (Rwanda) 18th-23rd July 2022

### Road To Kigali

um (Tanzania), UCRT (Tanzania), re: Pasteralists Forum of Ethlopia (PTE), inples Development Program (OPDP), s of Lake Turkana (FOLT), cinable Management of Forest ation (AIWO)

### II. Rationale for the Congress

A recent study, conducted by RRI and produced in collaboration with the Campaign for Nature, shows that between **I.65 and I.87 billion** of IP and LCs live in the world's important biodiversity conservation areas. These findings are affirmed in, among others, Science (Allan et al., 2022). Globally, the overlap between protected areas and the lands of IP and LCs is estimated at 50–80 percent. It has also been estimated that up to I36 million people were displaced in formally protecting half of the area currently under government protection (8.5 million km<sup>2</sup>). Currently, 56 percent of the people living in important biodiversity conservation areas are in low- and middle-income countries, while only 9 percent live in high-income countries. This means that the burden of conservation falls disproportionately on the Global South. To this extent, conservation in Africa becomes a key focal point in the land and environmental rights ecosystems.

Africa is one of the most biodiverse continents in the world as it hosts a quarter of earth's biodiversity. More than 2I countries of this continent have already signed a commitment to secure 30 percent of terrestrial and marine environments under conservation by 2030. This is under the umbrella of the High Ambition Coalition for Nature and People. The 30 by 30 proposal is now encapsulated in target Three of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework which aims to "ensure that by 2030 at least 30 percent of areas of degraded terrestrial, inland water, and coastal and marine ecosystems are under effective restoration, in order to enhance biodiversity and ecosystem functions and services, ecological integrity and connectivity."

The current network of protected areas is estimated to cover 17 percent of the continent's land mass. The bulk of this land would fall under national parks, game reserves, and forest reserves. Many of those protected areas have been established in Africa by eviction of communities from their territories and are associated with an array of human rights abuses. Broadly speaking, African people have been cast as enemies to conservation, they have been criminalized and referred to as poachers, their livelihood and knowledge systems have been undermined, and it is widely believed that they have to be taught how to conserve. This happens despite the fact that many of the national parks and reserves are not fenced and wildlife roams in and out of community territories and destroys their property, causes fear, and kills people. A recent study, conducted by RRI and produced in collaboration with the Campaign for Nature, shows that between 1.65 and 1.87 billion of IP and LCs live in the world's important biodiversity conservation areas. These findings are affirmed in, among others, Science (Allan et al., 2022). Globally, the overlap between protected areas and the lands of IP and LCs is estimated at 50–80 percent.

Its under these challenges that the voice and actions of IPLCs needs to be considered for defining, planning and implementing a 30x30 respecting the current and dynamic context of land and natural resources access by Africans. These shall be crafted considering more than This issue is part of the reason why the 30 by 30 proposal is of interest to IP and LCs. These shall be crafted considering more than

Five decades of research illustrate that communities effectively conserve forests, ecosystems, and biodiversity through collective ownership, governance strategies, and traditional ecological knowledge. As a result, they present a viable alternative to exclusionary conservation practices.

A study conducted by RRI demonstrates that despite their poverty and structural injustice, communities make investments of between US\$2 billion–4 billion per year and manage and protect biodiversity efficiently at a lower cost and without the support received by conservation organizations, making rights recognition a just and effective alternative to exclusionary conservation practices. Little has been done to restitute justice to commu-

nities for past human-rights violations, decriminalize customary practices in protected areas, or direct a greater share of conservation and climate financing (such as for reduced deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries–REDD+) to support the essential stewardship role of IP and LCs.

Recently, IP and LCs have been strengthening their calls at the negotiations



such as the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (UNCBD), and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and regional convenings or forums such as the APAC congress for their inclusion in setting the world's conservation and climate-related ambitions. . It's under this context that the Alliance for IPLC conservation was initiated. Aiming to represent the continents IPLCs voice in setting the global conservation agenda, the Alliance counts is a Africa response to African conservation and development challenges, of which its success falls under collaboration with national regional and. International entities.

To initiate the journey, the Alliance is organizing the first community-led conservation congress to articulate its vision of rights-based, people-centered conservation as well as to demonstrate the role that IP and LCs play in conservation and the price they pay in sharing space with wildlife. The congress aims to convene around 300 participants drawn from grassroots communities, Indigenous leaders, development partners, conservation NGOs/ CSOs, African governments, and other important actors in conservation of nature in Africa.

The congress' thematic areas will be aligned with the Alliance's four interlocking priority areas: establishment and operationalization of a Pan-African IP and LC body, advocacy, campaigns, and strategic engagement – putting people at the center of conservation, promoting inclusive governance, and mobilizing the economic value of conserved areas for IPs and LCs. In addi-



tion, the congress will an opportunity to present findings from the study being conducted by RRI in collaboration with IPLCs organizations, which documents community-based conservation and how Africa IPLCs conserves land, resources and biodiversity on which their life and culture depends on.

### **III. Congress Objectives**

- To launch the Alliance for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities for Conservation in Africa, discuss its strategy and explore opportunities for partnership to support the implementation of the IP and LC Strategy (2023–2027) with development partners and conservation organizations.
- To demonstrate community conservation practices and associated knowledge systems, under a progressive format for sharing and learning.
- To launch and share the findings of a new RRI study on community-led and rights-based approaches to conservation in Africa.
- To influence IP and LCs inclusion and recognition in the implementation of the international strategies such as the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, the Nagoya Protocol, the Free, Prior and Informed Consent tool of the United Nations, and the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity's goals and targets.

- To call for the inclusion of IPs and LCs in the development of the national biodiversity strategies and actions plans for each country in the region.
- To increase direct and consistent funding for IPs and LCs, including women and youth, for nature conservation that is inclusive of all land-scapes.

One of the activities envisioned in the Alliance's strategy is convening the first IP and LC-led conservation congress on the continent.

## **IV. Congress Thematic Areas**

When Discussing community-led conservation in Africa, the following themes might be included.

1. Community-led conservation approaches and knowledge systems



How and why do communities conserve their territories? How does this align with their histories, cultural practices, knowledge systems and livelihoods? How do communities fund these practices? How can they showcase their contributions to conservation?

#### 2. Human-wildlife interactions:



Wildlife has been part and parcel of the histories and cultures of African peoples. Some of the earliest interactions of people and wildlife are documented in rock art paintings and engravings, encapsulated in song and dance, naming systems, and governance structures of many African peoples. This thematic area will also focus on the negative interactions of people and wildlife and explore how communities document their relationships with them. It will also seek to analyze the strategies being used to mitigate conflict with wildlife, the compensation schemes in their landscapes and their efficacy. 3. IP and LCs and global conservation and climate processes:



This topic will focus on the conservation strategies implemented by Africa: what strategies has Africa implemented in the past and how effective are they? and what is the most strategic way to participate in these processes? setting clear objectives for Africa and participating in loss and damage mechanisms?

#### 4. Land tenure, conservation, and community livelihoods

How do we demonstrate that we are nature and nature is us. How does conservation and livelihoods intersect in landscapes? What approaches are in place to enhance the economic value of conserved areas for IP and LCs and how can these be strengthened? What are the costs and benefits in these interactions? How do we consolidate community land tenure in the conservation ecosystem?

### 5. Grievance redress mechanisms including past and ongoing rights violations:

Are there any mechanisms that have been applied in specific countries? How were these negotiated? How effective have these been? What proposals can be made on redress of wrongs and how to follow up on these?

#### 6. Living in peace with protected areas, legislative reforms and the achieving of the 30x30 climate and biodiversity goals:

What legislative reform is needed to ensure that community livelihoods are not at odds with conservation? What strategies can be applied to ensure that communities do not bear the burden of conservation initiatives without any benefits from conservation, tourism, and related industries?

### **V. Expected Results**

- Community-based conservation practices and associated traditional knowledge systems are demonstrated.
- Detailed recommendations and a roadmap for the IP and LCs inclusions and recognition in the implementation at the country and regional levels of the international commitments, mainly the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, the Nagoya Protocol, the Free Prior and Informed
- Consent tool of the UN and the Convention on Biodiversity goals and targets, including in the development of the NBSAPs for each country are developed.
- The Alliance for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities for Conservation in Africa (AICA) is launched and opportunities for partnership to support the implementation of the IP and LC strategy (2023-2027) with development partners and conservation organizations are explored.
- The report of the RRI's study on community-led and rights-based conservation in Africa is launched and the key findings are presented.

## **VI. Profile of Participants**

The Congress will include the following categories of participants:

- Local community and Indigenous People's delegates
- Delegates of local community and Indigenous People's structures and leaders at the national, regional, and international levels, mainly members of AICA
- Representatives of members of the RRI coalition and partners
- Government officials from the whole continent of Africa
- International donors
- Representatives of conservation organizations: local, national, regional, and international
- Government officials and political figures of the host country
- Indigenous leader's representatives from the Global Alliance for Territorial Communities (GATC)
- Delegate of the Global Alliance Coordination

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## Agenda

	DAY I: 25TH OCTOBER 2023
TIME	ACTIVITY
7:30:00 AM	Welcoming recorded African traditional song: Let us ask org committee to suggest. We can be playing a variety of songs as people settle in.
7:45:00 AM	Master of Ceremony (MC) takes over
8:00:00 AM	Arrival of all delegates to Safari Court hotel Conference Hall
8:30:00 AM	Arrival of Government officials/International organizations representatives
8:45:00 AM	Arrival of Guest of Honour
9:00:00 AM	MC introduction
9:10:00 AM	Traditional blessings of the Congress by Namibian elder
9:20:00 AM	Cultural performance by Namibia traditional dancers

	DAY I: 25TH OCTOBER 2023
TIME	ΑCΤΙVΙΤΥ
9:20:00 AM	Namibian Anthem
	African Anthem
9:45:00 AM	Video clip showcasing Africa's natural and cultural heritage
	KEYNOTE ADDRESSES
10:00:00 AM	Welcome remarks from the host CLN
10:00:00 AM	Chairman AICA-Malidadi Langa
10:15:00 AM	Brief introductions from Africa's sub-regions representatives (Lounes-North, West, Central, East & Horn and Southern Africa -Ole Kaunga)
10:45:00 AM	RRI Africa Program Director - Patrick Kipalu
II:00:00 AM	Minister of Gender, Equality and Social Welfare & Poverty Alleviation - Namibia
II:15:00 AM	Minister of Environment Forestry and Tourism - Namibia
II:30:00 AM	Mr. Hailemariam Desalegn-APAC Patron (Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia)

	DAY I: 25TH OCTOB	ER 2023
TIME	ACTIVITY	
II:45:00 AM	Coffee break	
12:00:00 PM	Video clip showcasing Africa's natural and cultural heritag	e /Or songs
12:15:00 PM	Topic: Kigali Call to Action, APAC IPLC Declaration-What h	happened since Kigali and what next & way forward?
Moderator: Everlyne	Nasiriae	Rapporteur: Kendi Borona
	<ul> <li>Panel discussion- Representatives:</li> <li>IUCN</li> <li>AWF</li> <li>IFAW</li> <li>WWF</li> <li>APAD (ICCN- Conservation Director- DRC)</li> <li>Development Partners &amp; Donors (Packard and Christer</li> <li>AICA</li> </ul>	ensen Fund)
	Question & Answer session and plenary discussions	
	Expected Results: to get an update on the implementatio	n status of Kigali Call to Action & the IPLC Kigali Declaration
14:00PM - 15:00PM	Lunch Break ( Exhibitions, Posters & other side events)	
15:00PM - 15:30PM		ghts-based conservation in Africa & the key findings by RRI- ( The Context,challenges and opportunities)RRI Africa Program Director -
		with the APAC Patron, Minister of Gender, Equality and Social Wel- ry and Tourism representing the Government of Namibia and other
15:30PM - 16:15PM	Question & Answer session on the key findings of the repo	ort

		DAY I: 25TH OCTOBER 202	3
TIME	ACTIVITY		
16:15PM - 16:30PM	Expected Results: A general c recommendations (Setting th		nity-led conservation in Africa, key findings of the analysis and
II6:30PM - 17:30PM	Topic: IPLC contributions to ( regions - Main Hall	Community-led conservation approacl	nes, knowledge systems and conservation initiatives in Africa's
Moderator: D	r Basiru Isa-Cameroon	Rapporteur: Alexandra Romero - RR	Keynote address: Dr Alfons Mosimane
	Panel discussion: Panelists		
	<ol> <li>Zoubida Fdail (North Afric</li> <li>Annette Luttah Aluora (To</li> <li>Peter Kitelo - Kenya</li> <li>Martial Amolet (Central A</li> <li>Southern Africa(I)</li> </ol>		
	Question & Answer session a	nd plenary discussions	
16:30PM - 17:30PM	Topic: Human-wildlife conflic	t / Grievance redress mechanisms - Ha	ـــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ
	Moderator:Dr Se	lma Lendelvo-Namibia	Rapporteur: Michelle Sonkoue - RRI
	Video clip showcasing Huma	n-Wildlife Conflict-Maxi to share/grass	root delegate to tell a compeling story in local language
	Key Note Address:Kawsu Jam	meh-Gambia	
	Panel discussions: (Panelists)		
	<ol> <li>Representative of Wildlife</li> <li>Representative of Wildlife</li> <li>Bayuke Baluwie Jacob - G</li> <li>Joel, Yitmwa Hope - Nige</li> <li>Bibi Johnson - Cameroon</li> <li>Kwabena Boku Bosompi</li> </ol>	e Authority Ghana ria	

	DAY I: 25TH OCTOBER 2023	
TIME	ACTIVITY	
	Panel Discussion: Panelists	
	<ol> <li>Arezki Hammoum (North Africa)</li> <li>James Mema-Kenya</li> </ol>	
	Question & Answer session and plenary discussions	
	Expected results: Finding solutions that protect both human livelihoo base, dedicated grievnce redress mechanism, setting of Trust Fund, Su	
18:00:00PM	End of Day I	
	MC invites Congress Participants to a Cocktail and Welcome Reception ism/Minister of Gender, Equality and Social Welfare & Poverty Alleviati	
18:30:00PM	Cocktail and Welcome Reception (discussion with the Minister-Update	ed expected from Birga,2 ministers to co-host)
	DAY 2: 26TH OCTOBER 2023	
8:30:00 AM	Video clip	
	Moderator/Co-moderator:Grace Nyimale Alawa-Nigeria/Mo- hand Kacioui	Rapporteur: Purity Gakuu - Kenya
8:45:00 AM	Keynote address: Prof: Alfred Oteng- Ghana	
9:00:00 AM	Panel discussions (Panellists)	
	<ol> <li>Mr. Stanley Kimaren Ole Riamit-Carbon Credit</li> <li>Alain Frechette-GBF, community rights/implications &amp; 30x30</li> <li>Representative from COMIFAC -Congo Basin &amp; Climate Change</li> <li>Vital Babanze -IPLCs and UN Mechanisms</li> <li>Hawe Hamman-Use of African Charter by IPLCs (UNDRIP)</li> <li>Monique Atouguia-Nature Finance</li> </ol>	

		DAY 2: 26TH OCTOBER 2023	
TIME	ACTIVITY		
10:15:00 AM	Question & answer session & plenary discussions		
	Expected results: IPLC to gair sions with a common positio		learn how to engage & participate in international discus-
10:30AM - 11:00AM	Coffee break		
11:10:00 AM	Video clip showcasing Land tenure issue ( Sierra Leone)		
	Topic: Insecure IPLC land ten	ure/ Conservation & community Liveliho	od-Main Hall
Moderato	r: Ronney Dempers	Rapporteur: Jean Ousman Camara - Madagascar & Amina Zioual	Keynote address: Dr. Siviwe Swababa (Department of Agirculture, Land Reform & Rural Development) Griev- ance redress mechanisms for historical injustice (boader issues on land reforms at the continental level)
	Panel discussion: Panelists		
	<ol> <li>Sadia Ahmed-Somalia</li> <li>Naivaya Ndaskoi-Tanzania</li> <li>Parfait Dihoukamba-Cong</li> <li>Youssef Mahfouf (North A</li> <li>Mina Beyan</li> <li>Liz Wily</li> </ol>	go Brazzaville	
	Question & Answer session a	nd plenary discussions	
			ance can facilitate the establishment of replicable robust protecting the fragility of IPLC land rights
13:00PM - 14:30PM	Lunch break (Side event "Maximizing on the Right to FPIC in Community- led Conservation" by IMPACT-Kenya)		
14:45PM - 15:00PM	Video on living in harmony with Protected Areas/ICCA		

	DAY 2: 26TH OCTOBER 20	023	
TIME	ACTIVITY		
15:00PM - 16:45PM	Topic: Living in peace with protected areas & engaging jointly in legislative reforms- Learning from DRC government & other African governments, Regional institutions in charge of conservation providing legal security and other services to community conserved areas-Main Hall		
	Moderator: Rabah Issadi	Rapporteur: Tuna Angula & Mighty Ugwanga	
	Key Note Address:Yohanna, Christopher Tumba		
	Presentations by representatives		
	<ol> <li>APAD</li> <li>Governments</li> <li>Regional institutions in charge of conservation (ECOWAS, ECCAS, SADC, EAC, IGAD)</li> <li>Cecile Djebet - Cameroon</li> <li>Malidadi Langa-Representative of AICA</li> <li>Nora Gharyeni</li> </ol>		
	Question & Answer session on the presentations		
	Expected results: Inclusion of IPLC APAC priorities activities in r	national and regional programs	
	Video of women or youth in conservation		
15:00PM - 16:45PM	Topic: The role, participation & engagement of women & youth in conservation-Hall I		
	Moderator: Maimuna Umaro	Rapporteur: Lounes Belckam	
15:00PM - 15:15PM	Key Note Address: Dorothe Lisenga	1	
15:15PM - 16:00PM	Panel discussions (Panellists)		
	<ol> <li>Mr. Lucy Mulenkei - Kenya</li> <li>Gifty Elikplim Agbenyefia-Ghana</li> </ol>		

	DAY 2: 26TH OCTOBER 2023	
TIME	ACTIVITY	
	<ol> <li>Annette Luttah Aluora - Togo</li> <li>Timothee Aurelian - Youth Representative (Cameroon)</li> <li>Marlene Sierra - Youth Representative (Congo Brazzaville)</li> <li>Amina Zioual</li> <li>Ms. Mary AmaKudom-Agyemang</li> <li>Myriam Graba</li> </ol>	
16:30PM - 17:45PM	Question & Answer session and plenary discussions	
	Expected results: to gain knowledge on how to increase women & you nance at grass-root levels	uth participation & engagement in natural resource gover-
17:30:00 PM	End of Day 2	
	DAY 3: 27TH OCTOBER 2023	
8.30.00AM	Topic: Post-APAC -Progress made at continental and sub-region (Inte mentation)-Main Hall	rim structure, APAC-IPLC Strategy & Priorities for Imple-
	Moderator: Eileen	Rapporteur: Peter Ossei/Tezera
	Opening remarks & introduction of the Alliance-Interim structure-Stee	ering Committee-Malidadi Langa
8:45:00 AM	Panel discussion: Panelists	
	<ol> <li>Mali Ole Kaunga - East &amp; Horn of Africa representative</li> <li>Basiru Isa - Central Africa representative</li> <li>Belkacem Lounes - North Africa representative</li> <li>Saoudata Tinhinan - West Africa representative</li> <li>Maxi Loius - Southern Africa representative</li> </ol>	
9:30:00 AM	Question & Answer session and discussions and proposed interim stru	ucture-national, regional representative, Council of Elders
9:45:00 AM	Priorities for the next 5 years	

	DAY 3: 27TH OCTOBER 20	023
ТІМЕ	ACTIVITY	
10:00:00 AM	Remarks from representatives of each region nominated in the	Interim structure
	<ol> <li>Youssef Mahfouf representing North Africa</li> <li>West Africa Representative</li> <li>Central Africa Representative</li> <li>East &amp; Horn of Africa Representative</li> <li>Southern Africa Representative</li> </ol>	
	Expected results:General context & familiarization with the Allia proved governance structure with national, regional & Council r	
10:15AM - 10:45AM	Tea Break	
II:00AM - I2:30PM	Topic: Coordination and Partnership to Support Community Co	onservation-Main Hall
	Moderator: Patrick Kipalu	Rapporteur:
	Key note speaker:Alain Frechette	
	Panel discussions (Representatives)	
	<ol> <li>IUCN</li> <li>GIZ</li> <li>Packard Foundation</li> <li>Christensen Fund</li> </ol>	
	Question & Answer session and discussions	
	Expected results: Plans & strategies to support community con	servation by donors and supporters of IPLCs in Africa
13:15PM - 14:00PM	Lunch break (Exhibitions, Posters & other side events)	
14:00PM - 16:30PM	Wrap up session with key messages, actions, recommendations	s-Main Hall
	Classical song from an African Artist	

DAY 3: 27TH OCTOBER 2023	
TIME	ACTIVITY
I4:IOPM	Festival-all delegates in their traditional African attires, traditional dance by local community in Namibia
14:15PM	Short video-highlighting key moments during the congress by RRI-Comms team
14:25PM	Introductory remarks by Master of Ceremony
14:30PM - 14:55PM	Reports
	Day I Sessions Report (IO min) – Session leader-Tezera Getahun
	Day 2 Sessions Report (IO min) – Session leader- Maimuna Umaro
	Day 3 Session Report (IO min) – Session leader-Jose Monteiro
15:00PM	Roadmap & Plan of Action /Interim Chair of AICA
	IPLC Commitment Communique
15:30PM - 15.55PM	Concluding words from the African sub-regions representatives
	<ol> <li>Belkacem Lounes representing North Africa</li> <li>West Africa Representative</li> <li>Central Africa Representative</li> <li>East &amp; Horn of Africa Representative</li> <li>Southern Africa Representative</li> </ol>
16:00:00 PM	TBD
16:15:00 PM	Minister of Environment Forestry and Tourism/Minister of Gender, Equality and Social Welfare & Poverty Alleviation or representative
16:30:00 PM	African dance - all participants join in the celebration in their traditional attires
	End of Day 3 and end of Congress

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