



Congo Basin Forest Partnership: U.S. Facilitation Roadmap 2013-2015

Our Vision

The focus of the United States' Facilitation is to promote African leadership to address the critical threats to Central Africa's forests and biodiversity, with the ultimate goal to advance the conservation and sustainable use of the region's forest ecosystems.

Objectives

- **Clear and concerted African leadership** (government institutions, civil society, communities, scientists, and the private sector) guiding progress towards low-emissions development and sustainable management and conservation of forests and wildlife.
- **Action to address critical threats to biodiversity and forests**, such as illegal logging, unsustainable resource extraction, and wildlife trafficking.
- **Full participation in efforts to adapt to and combat climate change**, including actions to mobilize funds from new sources, such as finance for carbon emissions reduction and sequestration via REDD+.
- **Effective institutions, regulatory regimes, and governance to address forests and wildlife** at regional, national, and sub-national levels across central Africa, with measurably strengthened capacity and participation by women and local communities.

Facilitation Activities (in addition to ongoing projects)

- **State-of-the-art knowledge and information sharing** – Using web, social media, and traditional media platforms to make the collective knowledge base accessible to all partnership constituents.
- **Coalitions for action to address the drivers of deforestation** – Mobilizing programs, investments, commitments, and leadership to advance knowledge, build capacity, and guide initiatives and investments for the most effective wildlife conservation strategies, land use planning and management.
- **Facilitated Anchor Workshops** – Bringing together innovators and thought leaders to address the drivers of deforestation and threats to wildlife in a multi-sectoral context along the following thematic areas:
 - livelihoods and economic development;
 - forest knowledge, tools, and technologies; and
 - ecosystem services and biodiversity.
- **Strategic mobilization of CBFP partners** in support of the Plan de Convergence, involving a partner and resource mapping assessment and targeted resource facilitation.