

# BIODIVERSITY STRATEGY FOR 2030

What's in it for Indigenous Peoples and local communities?

19 November 2020, 9-13h CET

## PROGRAM

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**Members of the European Parliament (MEPs):** - Michèle Rivasi, Greens/EFA, France - María Soraya Rodríguez Ramos, Renew Europe, Spain - Marc Tarabella, S&D, Belgium

**NGOs:** Docip, Fern, Survival International

### 9h00-9h30: Introduction

*Opening words*

**Michèle Rivasi**

*The invention of green colonialism*

**Guillaume Blanc**, Environmental historian, specialist of contemporary Africa and lecturer at University of Rennes 2

### 9h30 – 10h30: Impact on people and local communities

**Moderation by Marc Tarabella**

*Communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo*

**Joseph Itongwa**, Native Walikale from the province of North Kivu, founder of Réseau des Populations Autochtones et Locales pour la Gestion Durable des Ecosystèmes Forestiers de la RDC (REPALEF) sub-regional coordinator of the Network of Indigenous and Local Populations for the Management of Forest Ecosystems in Central Africa (REPALEAC)

*The riparian populations of Virunga National Park: challenges, limits and future*

**Delcasse Lukumbu**, Congolese activist and member of Lucha, Congolese citizen movement

*The impact of militarised and undemocratic nature conservation on Indigenous Peoples and forest dwellers in tiger reserves and other protected areas in India*

**Pranab Doley**, Activist of the Mising people, Kaziranga, India

*Testimonies from Latin America*

**Lola Cabnal**, Area de Incidencia en Politicas; Asociación Ak Tenamit, Guatemala or Carole Gonzales , OPIAC Colombia (TBC)

*How does the European Union ensure respect for rights*

**Chiara Adamo**, Head of Unit for Gender, Human Rights and Democratic Governance, Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

## 10h30 – 11h30: Recommendations and priorities from people and local communities

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*Environment, women's rights and nomadic peoples*

Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Association des femmes peules et peuples autochtones du Tchad (AFPAT), Chad

*Ending Green Colonialism*

Mordecai Ogada, conservationist, Kenya

*Recognition of the customary rights of people over Indonesian forests*

Rukka Sombolinggi, Alliance of Indigenous Peoples of the Archipelago (AMAN), Indonesia

*Experiences of the round table with experts and representatives of people*

Luisa Ragher, Head of Division Human Rights, European External Action Service (EEAS)

## 11h30 – 12h30: What model for biodiversity?

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*Why we must defend the Siberian forest and the rights of the inhabitants of the Far North and East of the country*

Rodion Sulyandziga, Director of the Center for support of indigenous peoples of the North (CSIPN)

*Nature conservation, militarisation and human rights violations: the role of international donors*

Simon Counsell, Former director of Rainforest Foundation UK and currently advisor to Survival International

*Enhancing the capacities of people and Local Communities as stewards of nature*

Herbert Lust, Vice President and Managing Director of Conservation International Europe

*Priorities of the EU's biodiversity strategy at international level*

Chantal Marijnissen, Head of Unit, Environment, Natural Resources, Water, Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

12H30 – 13H00: Wrap up & conclusions by MEPs Michèle Rivasi and María Soraya Rodríguez Ramos

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