

# Global Momentum for Grassland, Savannah and Rangelands

Wednesday, 29.June 2022:

Time: 14:30-16:00 CEST / 13:30-15:00 GMT / 9:30-11:00 Brasilia / 08:30-10:00 EST / 15:30-17:00 Nairobi

The next six months offer several occasions to strengthen commitments to conservation of grasslands, savannahs and rangelands at a global level. At the UNCCD COP in Abidjan in May, heads of delegation and multilateral partner gave supportive statements to a proposal to set up a Global Coalition on Grasslands, Savannahs and Rangelands (GSR) and take actions to conserve and restore these landscapes for people, climate and nature. In November the Climate Conference of the Parties (UNFCCC COP) will take place in Egypt and in December the CBD COP will happen in Montreal. There is a global momentum to strengthen protection, management and restoration of Grassland Ecosystems.

## Focus of the meeting:

- Learn about outcome of UNCCD COP and the Global Coalition on Grasslands, Savannahs and Rangelands (GSR)
- Discuss opportunities to strengthen GSR at the UNFCCC and UNCBD Conference of Parties
- Exchange information on plans for engagement like joint side-events
- Up-coming reports and other issues

## Agenda:

When	What	Who
14:30 -14:35	<b>Welcome</b>	Martina Fleckenstein, WWF
14:35-14:55	<b>Outcomes of the Conference of Parties (COP) of the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and proposals for a Global Coalition on Grassland, Savannah and Rangeland</b>	Karina Berg, WWF
14:55 -15:10	<b>Discussion on options for a Global Coalition and next steps</b>	Facilitated by Nigel Dudley
15:10 – 15:20	<b>Up-date on policy work on restoration for the CBD Open Ended Working Group meeting in Nairobi</b>	Barbara Bendandi, WWF
15:20 – 15:30	<b>Proposals for input to the UNFCCC</b>	Sophie Cowling, PlantLife (tbc)
15:30 - 15:40	<b>Stockholm 50+ - Supporting pastoralists- Call for 3 action</b>	Maryam Niamir-Fuller, International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (tbc)
15:45-16:00	<b>Discussion</b>	

## Links:

**UNCCD Decision on migration:** Through discussions with a number of engaged countries we secured specific references to **grasslands, savannahs and peatlands**, linking their **sustainable management and restoration to food and freshwater security** in the COP decision. [ICCOP\(15\) L.10-2207467E.pdf \(uncd.int\)](http://ICCOP(15) L.10-2207467E.pdf (uncd.int))

**Publication:** [Strategic approaches to restore grasslands, savannahs and rangelands Post-2020 GEF: Grasslands in Target 2,3 and 10](http://Strategic approaches to restore grasslands, savannahs and rangelands Post-2020 GEF: Grasslands in Target 2,3 and 10)