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Hon. Henry Djombo

Hon. Henry Djombo is the Minister for Forestry, Environment and Sustainable Development, Republic of Congo. A trained economist, in 1976 he joined Congo public administration, worked in the ministry for rural economy and ministry for water and forests. He was Ambassador of Congo to Bulgaria from 1986 to 1988, and CEO of SUCO (Congo Sugar Company) from 1989 to 1991. Minister of Forestry since November 1997, he is one of the founders of the Congo Basin Forest Conservation Initiative.



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Hon. Uahekua Ungarakepo Herunga

Hon. Uahekua Ungarakepo Herunga is the Namibian Minister responsible for Environment and Tourism. He was a Regional Coordinator of South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO) in the North Western Kunene. Under his guidance, the Ministry of Environment and Tourism developed a number of crucial Policies and pieces of legislation related to Biodiversity Conservation. He also led Namibian delegations to major UN Conferences of the Parties for Climate Change, CBD and UNCCD.



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Prof. Lee White

Prof. Lee White is the Executive Secretary of the Gabonese National Parks Agency (ANPN). He directed the Wildlife Conservation Society program in Gabon until 2007 and in 2009 became head of the National Parks Agency, responsible for a network of 13 National Parks. He is an Honorary Research Fellow at the University of Stirling and is a prominent conservationist in Africa.



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Mr. Gregory C. Carr



Mr. Gregory C. Carr is an American entrepreneur and philanthropist. He co-founded Africa Online in 1996 and served as its chair until 1998. In 1999 he formed the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard University in 1999. In 1999 he also founded the Gregory C. Carr Foundation, a non-profit organization through which he has been involved in various projects including the Gorongosa Restoration Project. The Carr Foundation is currently committed to the 20 year restoration of Gorongosa National Park in central Mozambique as well as to the sustainable development of the communities surrounding the park.



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Mrs. Sabine Plattner

Mrs Sabine Plattner is an International businesswoman and philanthropist, and funder of Sabine Plattner Africa Charities. She is the owner of the Congo Conservation Company and member of the leading hotels of the world. Ms Plattner is also member of the board of Leadership for Conservation in Africa, and is well established as one of the pre-eminent thoroughbred horse owners in South Africa.



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Hon. Edna Molewa

Hon. Edna Molewa is the Minister of Environmental Affairs in South Africa. She is a former Minister of Social Development, and a member of the African National Congress Women's League National Executive Council. She serves as Chairperson of the African National Congress Women's League in the North West Province and has been a member of the Provincial Executive Committee, since 1996.



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Hon. Jesca Osuna Eriyo

Hon. Jesca Osuna Eriyo is the Deputy Secretary General of the East African Community in Charge of the Productive and Social Sectors. She is also the CEO of Radio Amani (Uganda) Limited, Member, Board of Trustees, Africa Leadership Foundation (AFRICAFA), Chairperson, Steering Committee of the Ugandan Youth Fighting Climate Change (UYFCC), Networking with Planet Africa-CANADA.