

Unlocking LATAM Bioeconomy: Bridging Climate, Biodiversity and Finance

Programme

Time	Activity
8:00 – 8:30	Registration
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • His Majesty's Ambassador to Colombia George Hodgson – British Embassy Colombia • Dr Joe Tohme. General Director – CIAT. Managing Director Americas – Alliance Bioversity International & CIAT.
8:45 – 9:30	Keynote opening session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Gideon Henderson. Chief Scientific Adviser – UK Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA). • Professor Monique Simmonds OBE. Director of the Commercial Innovation Unit & Deputy Director of Science - Partnerships – Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.
9:30 – 11:00	<p>Panel 1: <i>Instruments and mechanisms to close the finance gap on innovation and a biodiversity-positive development pathway.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 70 min panel discussion followed by 20 min Q&A - Panellists discuss about what type of innovations and new approaches on finance mechanisms are needed to tackle the global crisis of biodiversity loss and promote bioeconomy at scale. ○ Professor Federica Di Palma – School of Biological Sciences. University of East Anglia (UK). ○ Jorge Mario Rodríguez. Vice minister of Environment (Costa Rica) (TBC). ○ Marcelo Behar. Nature & Society Director – Centro Empresarial Brasileiro de Desenvolvimento Sustentável (CEBDS) (Brazil). ○ Dr Juan O'Farrell. Coordinator of the Natural Resources Area. Fundar (Argentina) <p><u>Moderator:</u> Dr Juliet Rose. Head of Development – Eden Project (UK).</p>
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break
11:20 – 12:50	<p>Panel 2: <i>Challenges and opportunities in the development and implementation of bioeconomy strategies and policies.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 70 min panel discussion followed by 20 min Q&A - Experts from different LATAM countries reflect on how bioeconomy policies are being implemented as well as their challenges and opportunities. Also, on how public-private partnerships enable the right conditions for bioeconomy

	<p>policies to thrive and how these contributes to CDB objectives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carina Pimenta. National Secretary of Bioeconomy (Brazil) (TBC). • Julia Miranda. Congress Representative for Bogotá (Colombia). • Elvis García Torreblanca. General Manager of the Environmental Economics Directorate – Ministry of Environment (Peru). • Dr Alfonso Martínez. Secretary of Environment of Nuevo León State (Mexico) <p><u>Moderator:</u> Hugo Chavarria. Executive Secretary – Latin American Bioeconomy Network (Costa Rica).</p>
12:50 – 2:00	<p>Panel 3: Bioeconomy in action: UK programmes supporting a sustainable bioeconomy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 10 min presentation on UK programmes that support bioeconomy in the LATAM region (i.e. UK PACT, Partnership for Forests, Science and Innovation Network, etc.) • Patrick McMahon. Senior Programme Manager – UK PACT Latin America Team Leader. Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) (UK). - 50 min panel discussion followed by 10 min Q&A - Panellists share examples on how UK programming has supported their bioeconomy initiatives and projects. • Jhon Henry Valencia. General Manager – Bioingred Tech (Colombia). • Juliana Simões. Deputy Manager for Indigenous People and Traditional Communities – The Nature Conservancy (Brazil). • Alejandra Ruiz Diaz. Sustainable Landscapes Implementation Officer – GGGI Latin America & the Caribbean (Colombia). • Armando Russi. Sustainability Lead – AJE Colombia – Grupo AJE (Perú). <p><u>Moderator:</u> Felipe García-Cardona. Manager of the Centre for Economy and Finance of Biodiversity. Humboldt Institute (Colombia).</p>
2:00	Closing remarks
2:00 - 3:00	<p>Networking lunch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation for attendees to continue the conversation around the subjects discussed with the panellists and wider experts at the event. Lunch to be offered during this space. Event closure.
3:00 – 4:00	Tour around Future Seeds Genebank (Optional)