

NOTES DUTCH ROUNDTABLE ON TROPICAL FORESTS

13 - 12 - 2024

– Invitation –

Dutch Roundtable on Tropical Forests

When: Friday 13 December 2024, 14:00-17:00
(room open 13.30)

Where: t.b.d, but near Utrecht CS

Topic: Tropical Forests in Nature and Climate summits
2024

*During this edition we will reflect on key take-aways
and implications of international summits, especially
CBD COP16 in Cali and UNFCCC COP29 in Baku.*

With the end of the year in sight, there will also be
sufficient time to toast on the end of the year.



COP16
CALI - COLOMBIA
Plus Nature Plus Ambition



COP29
Baku
Azerbaijan
UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

A detailed agenda is being elaborated now and will be
sent to you soon. We welcome one person per
organisation. Please register by replying to this email or
to drtf@iucn.org





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AGENDA

When: Friday 13 December 2024, 14-17pm (room open 13.30)
Location: Seats2Meet, Utrecht Central Station, room The Dream
Chair: Coenraad Krijger (IUCN NL)
Co-chair: Joost van Montfort (Tropenbos International, TBI)
Secretary: Gijs Rotteveel (IUCN NL)
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Time	What?	Speaker/ lead
13:30- 14:00	Room open	
14:00- 14:05	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none">Welcome and introduction the Dutch Roundtable on Tropical ForestsPresenting agenda	Chair
14:05- 14:15	Checking in	DRTF organisation Rosalien Jezeer
14:15- 14:45	Reflections COPs	
14:15-14:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reflections hosting organisations	Joost van Montfort (TBI)
14:20-14:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reflections ministries space for questions	MoFA & MoAFFN
14:35-14:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ecofeminist perspective COPs space for questions	Annabel Kennedy (WECF)
14:45-14:55	Short break	
14:55-15:40	Thematic Discussion	
14:55-15:30	Discussion in subgroups	
15:30-15:40	Sharing of Conclusions	Chair + subgroup speakers
15:40-15:55	Timeline Tropical Forests NICC	René Boot (UU)
15:55- 16:00	AOB and closing the meeting	Chair
16:00- 17:00	Drinks & bites (vegetarian)	

These notes are written according to Chatham house rules

Opening

The meeting was opened by the chair, who welcomed attendees to the second DRTF meeting of the year. A round of introductions followed, where participants shared their names and affiliations.

The chair outlined the purpose and rules of the DRTF, emphasizing dialogue over lobbying and highlighting the agenda for the day.

Reflections by Host Organizations

- Positive developments include recognition of Indigenous Peoples as biodiversity stewards and integration of biodiversity and climate action. However, key goals, such as the 30x30 target, lack financial backing.
- Future COPs should focus on actionable plans, particularly addressing localized climate efforts.

Reflection by Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Security, and Nature

- Key outcomes of COP29 included progress on climate finance and carbon markets, setting quality standards for carbon removals, and improving climate reporting. However, mitigation efforts remain insufficient.
- Few new forest-related commitments were made, with more attention expected at COP30. Brazil plans to launch a Tropical Forest Finance Facility as part of its Nationally Determined Contribution.

Reflection by Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- Positive outcomes included agreements on digital sequence information (DSI) and the establishment of a subsidiary body under Article 8J.
- Challenges remain in bridging divides over financial mechanisms between developed and developing countries.

Reflection by WECF

- Wins included advancements in gender-related initiatives at COP29 and COP16.
- Concerns were raised about carbon markets, which could perpetuate harmful practices, and the inadequacy of current climate finance mechanisms to address grassroots needs.

Dialogue highlights

In subgroups 3 themes are talked about in a dialogue of 30 minutes. The highlights are shared in 3 minutes per theme.

1. COP30 Opportunities

- Prioritize global stock-taking and deforestation efforts.
- Advocate for extending policies like the EU's EUDR globally to drive ambition.
- Collaboration among Dutch actors was highlighted as essential.

2. Carbon Markets

- Opportunities exist for incentivizing responsible forestry and integrating biodiversity elements.
- Concerns remain about human rights violations and land grabbing associated with carbon markets.
- Pragmatic approaches are needed to assess and ensure the integrity of carbon credits.

3. Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs)

- Ethical and pragmatic arguments support IPLC-led conservation.
- Challenges include knowledge erosion, youth outmigration, and external pressures.
- Advocacy is needed for accessible funding for IPLCs and local solutions.

NICC Timeline on Tropical Forests

- A historical overview of the NICC highlighted evolving thematic priorities and the critical role of civil society in forest financing. Collaboration across sectors—such as water management, agriculture, and gender—is essential to achieve integrated solutions.
- See for the timeline here (www.stichtingnicc.nl): input is welcomed by the NICC.

Closing

The meeting concluded with a call for further input to shape future DRTFs, emphasizing the importance of inclusive and strategic dialogue.

For any questions or comments on the above reach out to drtf@iucn.nl