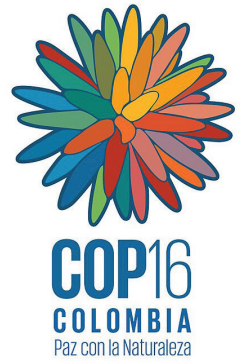


# BIODIVERSITY 2.0: Protecting Indigenous Rights and Food Sovereignty to Halt Biodiversity Loss



**SIDE EVENT**

Food sovereignty is key to stopping biodiversity loss, with Indigenous and local communities leading the way in protecting ecosystems and sustaining diverse food systems.



**Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October**



**10:00 AM (Local time)**



Cocora - Subnational and Local Authorities Meeting Room, Plaza One, Blue Zone

## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

**Launch of Policy Brief: Biodiversity 2.0: Strengthening Indigenous and Local Community Partnerships to Halt Biodiversity Loss.**

### Key Focus:

- Addressing the shortfalls of current conservation strategies that fail to integrate food sovereignty.
- Promoting sustainable approaches that respect traditional ecological knowledge and Indigenous food systems.
- Securing land and food sovereignty rights for Indigenous communities as the foundation for biodiversity conservation.
- Ensuring that biodiversity finance is directed to support Indigenous-led conservation of both biodiversity and food systems.

## KEY DISCUSSION TOPIC:

**Global Biodiversity Framework Target 3:**

Protecting 30% of land and water by 2030 while safeguarding Indigenous rights and integrating their traditional knowledge into conservation.

*Join us for a critical conversation on how food sovereignty is the key to protecting biodiversity and building a just, sustainable future!*

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

**EDWARD POROKWA**

Pastoralists Indigenous NGO Forum, Tanzania

**Topic:** Arrests, torture and forced evictions of 100,000 Maasai pastoralists from their Ngorongoro homelands. "Your conservation areas are a warzone to us."

**RUTH KIHU**

Pastoral Women's Council of Tanzania

**Topic:** The Maasai Vision for the future of land, pastoralism, and co-existence with wildlife.

**JUAN FELIPE MARTINEZ**

Pan-Amazonian Ecclesial Network, Colombia

**Topic:** Moral and ethical responsibility to protect biodiversity through Amazonian indigenous knowledge.

**ANNE WANJIKU MAINA**

Biodiversity and Biosafety Association of Kenya

**Topic:** Threats to Kenya's Food Sovereignty: Pesticides, GMOs, and Biodiversity Loss.

**FARIS AHMED**

Independent Consultant, Sustainable Food Systems

**Topic:** Introducing new guidance-tool by Biovision and partners "Boosting biodiversity action through agroecology," helping countries integrate agroecology and food systems into their NBSAPs.

## MODERATOR:

**MARIANN BASSEY OROVUJE**

Food Sovereignty Coordinator, Friends of the Earth Africa

**Mission:** Protecting the rights of African communities to food sovereignty, justice, and a healthy environment.

## ORGANIZERS:

