



AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIALOGUE 2024

Theme:

“Strengthening Environmental Law for Thriving Communities”

Venue: Mulungushi International Conference Centre – Kenneth Kaunda Wing, Lusaka – Zambia

Date: 9th – 11th October 2024

Convening Partners:



PROGRAMME

5th Environmental Protection Dialogue – EPD2024¹

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Objectives

- Build stronger corporate partnerships for conservation, environment, social and Economic Sustainability.
- Secure key decisions and recommendations in strengthening environmental monitoring, law compliance and enforcement.
- Promote inclusive and affordable living environments that cultivate equity, health, and well-being for vulnerable and marginalised communities.
- Strengthen awareness among state and non-state actors including the private sector on environmental injustices and involvement in decision-making regarding environmental protection measures.

Day 1

Wednesday 9th October 2024

Official Opening

S/N	Session	Responsible	Time (CAT)
1.	Registration/Cultural dance entertainment Arrival of Delegates: CSOs, Dev. Partners, Corporate Entities, Community Members etc. Arrival of CEJ Executive Director <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Maggie M. Mwape (Ms) Arrival of CEJ Board Members <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Chairperson & members Arrival of EPD2024 Convening Partners <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ EU, UNDP, BftW, Hivos, NCA/DCA, We Effect, BCP, FQML etc	CEJ Secretariat	08:00 – 08:30 Hrs
2.	Arrival of Faith Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Rev. Fr. E. Chikoya, Council of Churches in Zambia▪ Rev. Sussane Matale, African Methodist Episcopal Church▪ Bishop Andrew Mwenda, Evangelical Fellowship of Zambia▪ Father Francis Mukosa, Zambia Episcopal Conference	Protocol by CEJ	08:30 – 09:00 Hrs
3.	Arrival of Their Royal Highnesses: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ HRH Chief Ishima▪ HRH Chief Mnutwa▪ HRH Chieftainess Msoro▪ HRH Chieftainess Sinazongwe▪ HRH Chieftainess Muwezwa▪ HRH Snr Chief Imwiko	Protocol by: Mr Elijah Miyemba , Senior Chiefs Affairs Officer, Ministry of Local Government and Rural Dev.	08:30 – 09:00 Hrs

4.	Arrival of Foreign Dignitaries and Regional Bodies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ COMESA ▪ EU Commission ▪ USA Embassy, ▪ British High Commission ▪ Italian Embassy ▪ France Embassy ▪ Czech Embassy 	Protocol Team: <i>Ministry of Green Economy & Environment, (MGEE) and CEJ</i>	08:30 – 09:00 Hrs
5.	Arrival of Government Officials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ministry of Water Development and Sanitation ▪ Ministry of Tourism ▪ Ministry of Mines and Minerals Development ▪ Ministry of Land and Natural Resources ▪ Ministry of Justice ▪ Ministry of Energy ▪ Ministry of Agriculture ▪ Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation ▪ Ministry of Community Development and Social Services ▪ Minister of Local Government and Rural Development ▪ Minister of Green Economy and Environment 	Protocol Team <i>CEJ Protocol Team</i>	08:30 – 09:00 Hrs
6.	Arrival of UN Delegates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. Andrew Raine – <i>Deputy Director, Law Division – UNEP</i> ▪ Mr Laurent Rudasingwa – <i>Deputy Resident Representative – UNDP Zambia</i> 	UN in-country Protocol Team	08:30 -09:00 Hrs
7.	Arrival of Guest of Honor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HRH Chief Dr. Mumena <i>(Chief of the Kaonde-speaking people of North-Western Province)</i> 	Protocol Team: <i>Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development (MLGRD) and CEJ</i>	08:30 – 09:00 Hrs
8.	Official Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcoming Remarks ▪ Protocol List ▪ Cultural dance 	Director of Ceremony: <i>Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC</i>	09:00 – 09:30 Hrs
9.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ National Anthem (All Stanzas) ▪ Prayer 	Media Team Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Chikoya – <i>General Secretary Council of Churches in Zambia (CCZ)</i>	09:30 – 09:50 Hrs
10.	Welcoming Delegates, Recognition of Convening Partners, and Keynote Speakers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ms Maggie M. Mwape – <i>Executive Director, Centre for Environment Justice</i> 	Director of Ceremony: <i>Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC</i>	09:50 – 09:57 Hrs
11.	Reality of Aid Africa - International Guest Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr Vitalice Mega – <i>Executive Director</i> 	Director of Ceremony: <i>Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC</i>	09:57 – 10:04 Hrs
12.	Greenpeace Africa - International Guest Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Nanfadima Cisse – <i>Africa Director Communications</i> 	Director of Ceremony: <i>Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC</i>	10:04 – 10:11 Hrs
13.	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	Director of Ceremony:	10:11 – 10:18 Hrs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Laurent Rudasingwa – Deputy Resident Representative UNDP Zambia 	Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	
14.	Centre for Environment Justice (CEJ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Vincent Ziba – CEJ Board Chairperson 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	10:18 – 10:25 Hrs
15.	Ambassador of the European Union to Zambia and COMESA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Ms Karolina Stasiak 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	10:25 – 10:35 Hrs
16.	Special Keynote Speech from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Andrew Raine - Deputy Director, Law Division 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	10:35 – 10:45 Hrs
17.	Speech By the Minister of Green Economy and Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hon. Mike Elton Mposha, MP 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	10:45 – 10:55 Hrs
18.	Cultural Dance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zilile Ngoma Cultural Group 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	10:55 – 11:00 Hrs
19.	KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY GUEST OF HONOUR: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HRH Chief Dr. Mumena (Chief of the Kaonde-speaking people of North-Western Province) 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	11:00 – 11:15 Hrs
20.	Group Photo Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foreign Dignitaries (Ambassadors and Snr Govt Official) Traditional Leaders Convening Partners Heads of CSOs, FBOs and Private Sector CEJ Staff and Environmental Youth Defenders 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi - ZNBC	11:15 – 11:25 Hrs
21.	Panel Discussion 1: Community Voices for Strengthened Environmental Rights <i>“This panel discussion is intended to amplify the voices of those directly affected, ensuring their perspectives shape policy discussions and legal reforms. Their stories will illustrate the ongoing struggles to uphold environmental rights in the face of industrial and developmental pressures, offering insights into the need for stronger safeguards, regulatory frameworks, and inclusive governance structures that protect communities and their environment.”</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serenje – Mr Karika Phiri Kabwe – Ms Agness Mboma Sinazongwe – Mr Douglas Mudenda Kitwe – Mr Evans Siame Nsokolo Mufulira – Mr Timothy Chitalu 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi – ZNBC Panel Moderator: Mr Raymond Kaima – Project Manager <i>“Strengthening the Respect of Environmental Rights in Zambia (SR4ERZ)”</i> Hivos Zambia	11:25 – 12:25 Hrs
22.	Plenary Session	Director of Ceremony: Mr Samuel Machishi – ZNBC	12:25 – 12:45 Hrs
23.	Lunch	All Delegates	12:45 – 13:55 Hrs
24.	CSO Environmental Caucus	Moderator: Mr Bonface Mumba, BCM Consult	14:00 – 16:20 Hrs
25.	Closing Solidarity Statements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Limpo Chinika – Hivos Zambia, Country Manager 	Director of Program: Mr Bonface Mumba, BCM Consult	16:20 – 16:30 Hrs
26.	Day 1 Closing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Announcements – CEJ Secretariate Closing prayer, End of Day 2 	Director of Program: Mr Bonface Mumba, BCM Consult	16:30 – 16:50 Hrs

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2.	<p>Welcoming remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freeman C. Mubanga – EPD Chairperson, Centre for Environment Justice 	Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	08:30 – 08:35 Hrs
3.	<p>Presentation of Call to Action Paper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CSO Environment Caucus Action Paper, CSO Representative 	Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	08:35 – 09:00 Hrs
4.	<p>Presentation: “Forest Fires – Time to Take Action”</p> <p><i>“This presentation will address the urgent need for action in combating forest fires, a growing threat to ecosystems, communities, and economies. It will explore the causes, consequences, and mitigation strategies for forest fires, focusing on practical solutions and collaborative efforts. With an emphasis on sustainable management and proactive fire prevention, the discussion will highlight the role of industries, governments, and communities in protecting forests and mitigating climate risks.”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Godwin Beene, Country Manager, FQML 	Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	09:00 – 09:30 Hrs
5.	<p>Plenary: Delegates Reactions, Questions & Feedback</p>	Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	09:30 – 09:50 Hrs
6.	<p>Panel 2 Discussion: “Establishment of a Special Environmental Court in Zambia”</p> <p><i>“This panel discussion aims to delve into the multifaceted role of ECs in environmental protection, with a particular focus on the prospects and challenges of establishing an Environmental Court in Zambia. The panellists, comprising environmental legal experts from Zambia, Zimbabwe and South Africa, and representatives from the Greenpeace and Zambia Environmental Management Agency (ZEMA), will offer</i></p>	Moderator: Ministry of Green Economy and Environment (MoGEE)	09:50 – 10:50 Hrs

	<p>insights gleaned from their respective jurisdictions. By examining experiences and best practices from other countries, the discussion seeks to inform and guide the discourse on the establishment of an EC in Zambia, highlighting its potential benefits for the country and its citizens.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Environmental Lawyers): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Ministry of Justice (MoJ) ii. Ms. Karen Banda, Director Legal Services – Zambia Environmental Management Agency (ZEMA) iii. The Judiciary iv. Mr. Mutuso Dhliwayo, Executive Director – Zimbabwe Environmental Law Association (ZELA) v. Mr Amos Wemanya, Africa Responsive Lead - Greenpeace Africa (GPAF) vi. Ms. Mazi Choshane, Attorney – Centre for Applied Legal Studies, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa vii. Mr Mehluli Malisa Batakathi, Co-founder – Conservation Advocates Zambia (CAZ) viii. Dr Lannette Kambole Chiti (PhD), Founder – Centre for Environment Energy and Climate Action (CEECA) 	<p>Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation</p>	
7.	Plenary: Delegates Reactions, Questions & Feedback	Moderator & Director of programs	10:50 – 10:10 Hrs
8.	Tea Break, Refreshments & Snacks Served	All Delegates	10:10 – 10:30 Hrs
9.	<p>EPD 2024 Children’s Panel Discussion: “Amplifying the Voices of Children in Environmental and Climate Justice”</p> <p>“This panel discussion aims to highlight the perspectives of children on the pressing issues of environmental and climate justice. It will explore how young voices can shape policies, influence climate action, and ensure that their rights and futures are safeguarded in the face of climate change. The session will emphasize the importance of including children in decision-making processes and empowering them as active participants in the fight for a sustainable and equitable world.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Children Voices) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Ms. Sepo Hope Mukelabai ii. Ms Catherine Machipisa iii. Ms Tessy Mwila iv. Mr Trudy Mundia 	<p>Moderator: Ms. Nsama Musonda Kearns – Care for Nature Zambia</p> <p>Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation</p>	10:30 – 11:00 Hrs
10.	Plenary: Delegates Reactions, Questions & Feedback	Moderator & Director of programs	11:00 – 11:10 Hrs
11.	<p>Panel 3 Discussion: “Codification of the Customary Land Law”</p> <p>“This panel seeks to delve into the intricacies of Zambia’s land tenure system, with a specific focus on the codification of customary land law. By examining avenues for strengthening customary land governance while upholding community land rights, the panel aims to chart a path towards a more inclusive and robust land tenure regime. Through dialogue and collaboration, the panellists will explore strategies to enhance the legal framework surrounding customary land, fostering greater transparency, accountability, and equity in its administration.”</p>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Patson Phiri, Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development</p>	11:10 – 12:40 Hrs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Traditional Leaders). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Counsel Brigadier Siachitema, Law Association of Zambia (LAZ) – Lead Discussant ii. HRH Chief Ishima, iii. HRH Chief Mnukwa, iv. HRH Chieftainess Msoro, v. HRH Chieftainess Muwezwa, vi. HRH Snr Chief Imwiko, 		
12.	Plenary: <i>Delegates Reactions, Questions & Feedback</i>	<i>Moderator & Director of programs</i>	11:40 – 12:30 Hrs
13.	Lunch and Networking	All Delegates	12:30 – 13:50 Hrs
14.	<p>Panel 4 Discussion: “Achieving Environmental Sustainability Through Corporate Partnerships” <i>“This panel discussion aims to explore the power of partnerships in advancing environmental sustainability, with crucial insights provided by the Human Rights Commission on the principles of Business and Human Rights, particularly concerning environmental rights. By examining successful case studies, best practices, and lessons learned, the panellists will highlight strategies for building and strengthening sustainable partnerships in a mutually beneficial manner. Additionally, the discussion will address common barriers to collaboration, offering guidance on overcoming these challenges through proactive engagement, innovation, and collective action.”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Industries/Financial institutions); <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Mr. Foster Hemicube, Head of Research, Human Rights Commission – Online ii. Mr. Kachiwala Sapalo, Environmental Manager, FQML iii. Mr Lloyd Moomba, Munali Nickel Mine iv. Mr Phil Daka, Trade Kings, Group of Companies v. Ms Sarah Lloyd, Chief Risk Officer - Absa Bank Zambia vi. Ms Chanda Kalonde, Executive Head, Client Solution - ZANACO 	<p>Moderator: Ms Maggie M. Mwape – Executive Director, Centre for Environment Justice (CEJ)</p>	14:00 – 15:00 Hrs
15.	Plenary: <i>Delegates Reactions, Questions & Feedback</i>	<i>Moderator & Director of programs</i>	15:00 – 15:20 Hrs
16.	<p>Closing Solidarity Statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr Albert Mutasa, Country Manager - We Effect Zambia Country Office 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Mwape Sichilongo , <i>International Crane Foundation</i>	15:20 – 15:40 Hrs
17.	<p>Day 2 Closing Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Announcements, CEJ Secretariate ▪ Closing prayer, End of Day 2 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Mwape Sichilongo , <i>International Crane Foundation</i>	15:40 – 16:00Hrs



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19.	Welcoming remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maggie M. Mwape, Executive Director, Centre for Environment Justice (CEJ) 	Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	09:00 – 09:10 Hrs
20.	Presentation of Day 2 Recap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ TBA 	Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	09:10 – 09:20 Hrs
21.	Panel 5 Discussion: “Mineral Security Systems for Africa” <i>“This panel discussion aims to explore approaches taken by regional groupings to address mineral security and the regulatory frameworks, if any, governing the mining of critical minerals. Panellists will offer insights into the environmental, social, and governance dimensions of mineral extraction, as well as considerations of environmental justice. By fostering an open dialogue, the discussion seeks to promote knowledge sharing, identify best practices, and inform policy-making processes to ensure that the clean energy transition is pursued in a manner that is equitable, sustainable, and socially responsible.”</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Regional/International Bodies & Government). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Dr Claude Kabemba, Executive Director - Southern Africa Resource Watch (SARW) – Lead Discussant ii. Mr Chaanza M. Chifwepa, Principal Exploration Officer – Ministry of Mines & Mineral Development iii. Dr Gowtam Raj Chintaram, ECOSOCC iv. Mr. Lwembe Mwale, Climate Change Project Officer-COMESA Climate Change Programme – COMESA v. Dr. Mithika Mweenda, Executive Director - PACJA, vi. Mr. Nsama Chikwanka, National Coordinator - Publish What You Pay (PWYP) 	Panel Moderator: Mr Simukali Mulongwe, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Director of Programs: Mr. Mwape Sichilongo, International Crane Foundation	09:20 – 10:20 Hrs
22.	Plenary: Delegates reactions, questions & feedback	Moderator & Director of programs	10:20 – 10:40 Hrs
23.	Tea Break, refreshments & snacks served	All Delegates	10:40 – 11:00 Hrs
24.	Panel 6 Discussion: The role of Trans-Frontier Conservation Areas in the SADC region: challenges and opportunities	Panel Moderator: Isabel Mutembo Mukelabai	11:00 – 12:00 Hrs

	<p><i>“This panel discussion seeks to explore the role of TFCAs in fostering regional cooperation and sustainable development. It aims to assess the efficacy of current TFCA mandates and identify opportunities for enhancement. Panellists will engage in a comprehensive dialogue, delving into the challenges and opportunities associated with TFCAs, and propose solutions to bolster regional cooperation, strengthen environmental protection, and promote positive socio-economic outcomes for the communities inhabiting these areas.”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Regional/International Bodies & Government); <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Ministry of Tourism ii. Dr Nyambe Nyambe, Kavango Zambezi Trans-frontier Conservation Area (KAZA TFCA) iii. Mr Micheal M. Nang’alelwa, Acting Regional Director – Northwestern Region, National Heritage Conservation Commission (NHCC) iv. Mr Njisuh Zebedee, Ramsar Convention - Onine v. Mr Moses Nyirenda, Chief Conservation Officer, WWF Zambia 	Head of Programmes Joint Country Programme (JCP)	
25.	Plenary: <i>Delegates reactions, questions & feedback</i>	Moderator & Director of programs	12:00 – 12:30 Hrs
26.	Lunch and Networking	All Delegates	12:30 – 13:50 Hrs
27.	<p>Panel 7 Discussion: Carbon emission tax: Implementation and monitoring.</p> <p><i>“The panel discussion aims to provide a comprehensive overview of the implementation and monitoring of carbon tax in Zambia. It will delve into key questions surrounding the collection and utilization of carbon tax revenue. Specifically, the discussion will focus on identifying the entities responsible for collecting the funds, annual revenue collection figures, fund management practices, and the status of projects implemented using these funds. By addressing these critical aspects, the panel seeks to foster transparency, accountability, and informed decision-making in Zambia's carbon tax regime.”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussants (Statutory bodies and NGOs). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. MGEE, Carbon Emissions Expert ii. Mr Isaac Munjunga - Principal Economist (Trade Taxes), Ministry of Finance and National Planning iii. Zambia Revenue Authority (ZRA) iv. Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA) v. Rev. Emmanuel Chikoya, Council of Churches in Zambia vi. Zambia Climate Change Network 	<p>Moderator: <i>We Effect Zambia</i></p>	14:00 – 15:00 Hrs
28.	Plenary: <i>Delegates reactions, questions & feedback</i>	Moderator & Director of programs	15:00 – 15:30 Hrs
29.	<p>Official Closing speakers:</p> <p>Cultural Dance/entertainment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WWF Zambia ▪ Joint Country Program (JCP) Zambia ▪ Council of Churches in Zambia ▪ Centre for Environment Justice ▪ Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development <p>Cultural dance/entertainment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ HRH Chief Mnutwa 	Director of Ceremony: Mr Mwape Sichilongo, <i>International Crane Foundation</i>	15:30 – 16:00 Hrs
30.	Announcements, National Anthem, and Prayer - End of EPD 2024	CEJ & Convening Partners	16:00 – 16:10 Hrs