



# BUILDING TOGETHER

The Future of The Great Lakes Region

## HIGH LEVEL CONFERENCE "Building Together the Future of the Great Lakes Region"

PROGRAM: January 15-16, Hotel Club du Lac Tanganyika - Bujumbura

Time	Topic	Speakers	Master of ceremony/ Moderator
<b>JANUARY 15, 2023 – DAY</b>			
8:30-9:00	Welcome of participants		
9:00-10:00	Opening ceremony	Speeches: - Mayor of Bujumbura - Regional Director for East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) - Executive Secretary of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region - Ambassador of the European Union to Burundi - Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation for Development of Burundi	Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera
10:00-10:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Launch ceremony of the new programs</b></p> - Managing Director Africa at the European External Action Service (EEAS) - Executive Secretary of ICGLR - Regional Director for East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Official photo</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Press briefing</b></p> - Managing Director Africa at the European External Action Service (EEAS) - Executive Secretary of ICGLR - Regional Director for East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
11:00-11:30	Presentation of the renewed EU Great Lakes strategy	- Managing Director Africa at the European External Action Service (EEAS)	
11:30-13:00	Panel on EU, ICGLR, the UN, and UNHCR strategies for the Great Lakes Region	- Managing Director Africa at the European External Action Service (EEAS) - Ambassador of the Kingdom of Belgium to Burundi - Executive Secretary of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region - Regional Director for East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) - Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation for Development of Burundi	Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera  Moderator: Ambassadeur Libérat Mfumukeko (Burundi)



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<b>13:00-14:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
14:30-16:00	Presentation of regional programs stemming from the Renewed EU Great Lakes Strategy in the fields of economic cooperation, regional integration and management of natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction</li> <li>- Presentation of "LATAWAMA" and "TAKIWAMA" programs</li> <li>- Presentation of the NaturAfrica program</li> <li>- Presentation of "Switch to circular Economy in ESA and SADC" program</li> <li>- Presentation of the ICGLR program</li> </ul>	Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera
<b>16:00-16:30</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
16:30-17:30	Panel on regional programs arising from the Renewed EU Great Lakes Strategy in the fields of economic cooperation, regional integration, and natural resources management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of the UN Special Envoy for the Great Lakes Region</li> <li>- Executive Director of the Lake Tanganyika Authority</li> <li>- Representative of TradeMark Africa in Burundi</li> <li>- Advisor of the President of the Republic of Burundi</li> </ul>	Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera
17:30-17:45	Conclusion and next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of the Directorate-General for International Partnerships of the European Commission (INTPA)</li> </ul>	Moderator : Mr. Luis Navarro (EU)
<b>17:45-18:00</b>	<b>Official visit to the booths showcasing regional projects funded by the EU</b>		
<b>18:00-19:00</b>	<b>Cocktail and cultural performances</b>		
<b>19:00-20:30</b>	<b>Dinner</b>		

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<b>16 JANUARY 2023 – DAY 2</b>			
08:00-09:00	Welcome of participants		
09:00-10:30	Presentation of Peace and Security programs (including peace and stability projects beyond the ICGLR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of the Foreign Policy Instrument of the European Union</li> <li>- Representative of the Directorate-General for International Partnerships of the European Commission (INTPA)</li> <li>- Representative of IMPACT</li> <li>- Representative of ISS</li> <li>- Representative of TI</li> </ul>	Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Coffee break and visit to the booths showcasing regional projects funded by the EU</b>		
11:00-12:30	Panel on sustainable Mining projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Executive Secretary of the ICGLR</li> <li>- Ambassador of the EU to Rwanda</li> <li>- Independent Expert on mining governance</li> <li>- Representative of the Directorate-General for International Partnerships of the European Commission (INTPA)</li> <li>- Representative of the National Mining Office of Burundi</li> </ul>	Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera
			Moderator: Mrs. Joanne Lebert (IMPACT)
<b>12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		



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14:00- 15:30	Presentation of the sustainable solutions for refugees programs (expanded to include regional programs on forced displacement/ refugees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of the Directorate-General for International Partnerships of the European Commission (INTPA)</li> <li>- Representative of the UNHCR</li> <li>- Representative of ReDSS</li> <li>- Representative of IRC</li> <li>- Representative of GIZ</li> <li>- Representative of the Directorate-General for European civil protection and humanitarian aid operations of the European Commission (ECHO)</li> </ul>	<p>Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Freddy Carver (ReDSS)</p>
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
16:00-17:30	Panel on forced displacement in the Great Lakes Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of the ICGLR</li> <li>- Director-General for Rapatriation of Burundi</li> <li>- Representative of the World Bank</li> <li>- Ambassador of the EU to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)</li> <li>- Representative of burundian rapatriate</li> <li>- Representative of the Directorate-General for European civil protection and humanitarian aid operations of the European Commission (ECHO)</li> </ul>	<p>Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera</p> <p>Moderator: Mme Catherine Wiesner (HCR)</p>
17:30-17:45	Conclusion and next steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Head of Unit for Central and East Africa at the Directorate-General for International Partnerships of the European Commission (INTPA)</li> </ul>	
17:45-18:00	Closing ceremony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Representative of the Government of Burundi</li> <li>- Ambassador of the EU to Burundi</li> <li>- Regional Director for East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)</li> <li>- Executive Secretary of the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region</li> </ul>	<p>Master of ceremony: Mr. Louis Marie Nindorera</p>



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