

Overview of the events held by Green Livelihoods Alliance partners at the CBD COP 16 Colombia October 21st to November 1st, 2024

Location, date & time	Title of (side) event	Brief description of the session / side event	
(Side) events hosted / co-hosted by GLA			
Oct. 31st , 11.30 - 12.45 NL Pavillion (Blue zone)	Enhancing Support for IP&LC-Led Biodiversity Conservation in Tropical Forests to Sustain Water Cycles	This side event will explore needed policy and financial conditions, as well as best practices of locally-led biodiversity actions by IP&LCs. It will examine the important roles IP&LCs play in biodiversity protection, water conservation, and climate adaptation and how these roles could be integrated into national strategies if properly supported and recognized, through IP&LC-led forest and water management.	
Other (side) events hosted directly by GLA alliance members and/or partners			
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Oct. 21 , 13.20 Room: Chiribiquete - Asia and the Pacific meeting room Plaza One (Blue Zone)	Business, Biodiversity and Finance: Peace or Conflict with Nature?	CBD Alliance (GFC is an active member)	In this side event, we will evaluate the different proposals made by businesses and other actors with vested interests to contribute to Peace with Nature. Do climate and biodiversity offsets and credits, bioenergy, synthetic biology, and gene drives contribute to peace between humans, and between humanity and nature? Or will they lead to more conflict? How can the CBD protect IPs/LCs, women, youth, and small farmers and fishers who generate, restore and protect biodiversity and feed millions without destructive impacts on biodiversity? And how should finance be transformed so that it contributes to true peace with Nature?

<p>Oct. 21, 14.00-14.45 Camara de Comercio de Cali (Calle 8 # 3-14), sala múltiple 1 (Green zone)</p>	<p>Amazonía viva y diversa, el enfoque biocultural para cuidado del bosque tropical más extenso del mundo.</p>	<p>Gaia Amazonas - Alianza Escucha La Amazonía</p>	<p>The alliance "Listen to the Amazon" (Gaia, Dejusticia, WWF Col, Ambiente y Sociedad, FCDS, IRI Colombia, TNC Colombia, Etnollano) works to position the Amazon in the national political agenda, focusing on the materialization of an intercultural State that incorporates indigenous governments and knowledge systems in the political and juridical planning by the Colombian Government. With this event it intends to highlight how Targets 1,3,8,9,10,19,22,23 are directly linked to the contributions and wellbeing of IP&LCs and therefore these stakeholders should be address as subjects of special environmental protection</p>
<p>Oct. 21, 18.00 Malpelo - Contact Group 1 meeting room, Plaza One (Blue Zone)</p>	<p>Biodiversity Offsets and Credits: examining risks and challenges</p>	<p>GFC, TWN, FoEI, GYBN</p>	<p>This side event will convene experts from different civil society organizations signing on the civil society statement on biodiversity offsets and credits, and will offer a deep dive into the gaps and risks of biodiversity markets.</p>
<p>Oct. 21, 18:30 - 20:30 pm Salón Café - Banco de Occidente (Green zone)</p>	<p>Una Amazonía conectada ecológica, social y culturalmente: la manera más efectiva de proteger la biodiversidad y asegurar el agua en el continente</p>	<p>North Amazon Alliance (ANA) - Gaia Amazonas</p>	<p>This side event offers a pedagogic space to present and amplify the North Amazon Alliance's perspective of connectivity in its three dimensions (ecosystem, social and cultural), as the most effective strategy to protect the integrity of the Amazon and its flying rivers from a systemic approach, and as an effective response to address the climate crisis and biodiversity loss.</p>
<p>Oct. 22, 10.30 - 11.15 (Blue Zone)</p>	<p>Side event: Gender-responsive and Rights-based Approach to Halt Biodiversity Loss: Peoples' Solutions to Save the Planet</p>	<p>GFC</p>	<p>This event will be a platform for promoting shared learning, exchange of strategies and collective action to advance gender justice and a rights-based ecosystems approach in biodiversity conservation efforts, through rights holders engagement. The objectives include advocating for the contribution of women, youth, Indigenous peoples, local and Afro-descendant communities in halting biodiversity loss; and problematizing the gender impacts of false solutions as direct drivers of deforestation and biodiversity loss</p>

<p>Oct. 22, 14.30-15.15 Cali Chamber of Commerce (Green zone)</p>	<p>Young Ecofeminists: Celebrating grassroots women and feminist frontline defenders for biodiversity and climate action</p>	<p>WECF with partners</p>	<p>This event will provide a space for women environmental defenders from indigenous peoples, afro-descendants and local communities from Africa, Asia and Latin-America & the Caribbean, to share their vision, priorities, practices and policy demands. The event will link their local struggles to targets 22/23 of the KM-GBF, and the Gender Plan of Action, highlighting the key role these targets and the GPA should play in the implementation of the Global Biodiversity Framework.</p>
<p>Oct. 24, 16.00 Hotel Intercontinental (Green zone)</p>	<p>Macroterritorio de los Jaguares de Yuruparí: los sistemas de conocimiento y de gobierno de los Pueblos Indígenas como respuesta efectiva para la protección y el buen vivir en la Amazonia</p>	<p>Coordination Instance of the Macroterritory of the Jaguars of Yuruparí + Gaia Amazonas</p>	<p>This side event will present the Coordination Instance of the Macroterritory of the Jaguars of Yuruparí as an effective coordination exercise amongst indigenous territories, organized as Indigenous Territorial Entities and governed based on their cultural knowledge systems which have guaranteed the safeguard of the integrity Colombian Eastern Amazon, as a condition for biodiversity protection.</p>
<p>Oct. 24, 17:30 Camara de comercio de Cali, sala múltiple 2 (Green zone)</p>	<p>Youth it or lose it! Traditional knowledge transmission for the sustainable use and conservation of biodiversity</p>	<p>Tropenbos International, Tropenbos Colombia and network partners</p>	<p>Space to listen to and learn from the lived experiences of Indigenous, Afro-descendant and Local community (IP, AD and LC) young people from Asia, Africa, and South America. Furthermore, this space will touch upon themes like (i) Conservation strategies and Indigenous and ancestral territories, (ii) Ancestral and cultural territorial planning, (iii) Intergenerational agenda for biodiversity, and (iv) Skills and knowledge for the use and conservation of biodiversity.</p>
<p>Oct. 27, 14.00 - 15.00 pm Pabellón Colombia (Blue zone)</p>	<p>Una Amazonía bien conectada ecológica, social y culturalmente: la mejor forma de proteger la biodiversidad y asegurar el agua en el continente</p>	<p>North Amazon Alliance (ANA) - Gaia Amazonas</p>	<p>This panel will explain why it is fundamental to have a well-connected Amazon, ecologically, socially and culturally in order to protect biodiversity in the best preserved and most extensive tropical forest in the world. This panel will justify this statement by presenting the results of the connectivity opportunities and gaps analysis carried put by RAISG and ANA, and share examples of how this connectivity is safeguarded on the ground.</p>

<p>Oct. 28, 9.00 - 10.30 Banco de la República – Auditorio Principal (Green zone)</p>	<p>Why development banks must stop financing factory farming</p>	<p>Stop Financing Factory Farming / Sinergia Animal (GFC is an active member)</p>	<p>To achieve the goals of the GBF, it is key to implement Target 14, which says that public and private financial flows should be aligned with the goals of the GBF. Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), which already have the mission to support sustainable development, must be the first to align their financial flows with the goals of the GBF. This event will explore the role of the MDBs, and why they must stop funding industrial livestock in order to implement Target 14.</p>
<p>Oct. 30, 9.00- 10.30 IUCN Pavilion (Blue Zone)</p>	<p>Prosper with Nature: safeguarding biodiversity and human rights in energy transition mineral supply chains</p>	<p>IUCN NL, Auriga Nusantara, A Rocha Ghana, Center for Transnational Environmental Accountability, Rainforest Foundation Norway , Mighty Earth</p>	<p>A just energy transition is crucial for a low-carbon future, requiring responsible mining of Critical Energy Transition Minerals like nickel, bauxite, and cobalt while protecting ecosystems, human rights, and Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IP&LCs). The surge in nickel mining⁸ for example, used in electric vehicle batteries and clean energy projects, is causing deforestation, ecosystem degradation, and biodiversity loss, particularly in tropical rainforests and Key Biodiversity Areas. This event highlights the rising demand for these minerals and their impact on biodiversity, presenting case studies and best practices to align the energy transition with global biodiversity and climate goals.</p>