



# **Fast-Growing Trees to Advance Wood in the Bioeconomy in Africa**

**Side-event to the 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Commission on Poplars and Other Fast-Growing Trees Sustaining People and the Environment (IPC)**

22 October 2024  
16:15-17:45 - Bordeaux, France

# Objective of the side event

In the context of the "WOOD for GLOBE" project and taking advantage of the 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPC:

**Facilitate the exchange of perspectives and lessons learned on how to enhance access to and benefits from fast-growing trees in the bioeconomy transition in Africa**



# Agenda of the side event



- **Background and introduction** – Thais Linhares-Juvenal, FAO
- **Keynote address** – H.E. Rosalie Matondo, Minister of Forest Economy of Republic of Congo
- **Panel discussion:**
  - Giuseppe Nervo, CREA (Italy) and IPC
  - Issa Katwesige, Uganda Ministry of Water and Environment
  - Mr. Gordon Kofi Sarfo-Adu, Ghana Forestry Commission
  - George Muthike, Kenya Forestry Research Institute
  - Discussion, facilitated by Joris van Acker, IPC and Ghent University
- **Summary and Unasyuva launch** – Faustine Zoveda, FAO
- **Conclusion and closure** – Thais Linhares-Juvenal, FAO



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