

In conversation: Rights-based approaches for forest protection initiatives

Diverse perspectives on the development of solid benefit sharing and community contracting

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Initiatives aimed at tackling the climate crisis increasingly revolve around forest protection actions. These actions are known as nature-based solutions. For these to be successful, it is important that they truly take into account forest communities' rights, meaningfully involve such communities and bring positive outcomes for their land and livelihoods.

Such approaches transpire from laws applicable in West and Central African countries designed to ensure communities have a say in the way forests are managed. In **the Republic of Congo, Gabon, Ghana and Liberia**, the law requires logging companies to share benefits with forest communities. This is known as **benefit sharing** or **community contracting**.

At this webinar, legal practitioners and civil society representatives from these four countries will reflect on the lessons learned from the design and operation of such schemes and will discuss its application to forest conservation projects.

To attend, [Register here](#)

For more information, read ClientEarth publication, [Benefit sharing and community contracting: from legal design to full operation](#), published on 6th May 2021.



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