



**PRIORITY TECHNICAL AND
SCIENTIFIC NEEDS RELATED TO
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
CBD IN CAMEROON**

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- Present state of biodiversity in Cameroon;
- Cameroon's vision and mission;
- Strategic goals;
- Priority needs.

Present state of biodiversity in Cameroon



- Cameroon is endowed with a very rich biodiversity and is rated among the most diverse in Africa. It ranks 4th with floral richness and 5th with respect to fauna.
- This biodiversity is experiencing a regressive trend of great concern with a net annual deforestation rate of 0.14% putting it among the highest in the Congo Basin.
- The drivers of the loss are several and this has called for concerted action for a response which recognises the strategic approach defined by the CBD 2011-2020 strategic plan and the Aichi targets.
- To face the challenge, the NBSAP was revised and aligned with the Growth and Employment Strategy paper to boost sectors that are dependent on biodiversity, giving it a vision and mission.

VISION, MISSION AND STRATEGIC GOALS



- **VISION:** To establish a sustainable relationship with biodiversity in the use and sharing of benefits by 2035
- **MISSION:** To reduce the rate of biodiversity loss and ensure long term sustainability of critical ecosystems so as to guarantee the continuous contribution of biodiversity and other ecosystem services to wealth creation.
- **STRATEGIC GOALS**
 - Goal A – Reducing drivers for biodiversity loss and has 5 targets;
 - Goal B - Improving the status of biodiversity with 7 targets;
 - Goal C – Biodiversity for wealth creation with 4 targets;
 - Goal D – Mainstreaming biodiversity with 4 targets.

TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC PRIORITIES



1. Scientific needs for mainstreaming biodiversity. The Government of Cameroon has just created a new science policy platform for biodiversity and ecosystem services. This platform needs to be strengthened to carry out biodiversity assessment so that the findings can be used in mainstreaming biodiversity in the agricultural, forestry and tourism sectors.

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2. Carry out mainstreaming through sensitization and public awareness campaigns to promote behaviour change. The target here is a wide range of actors in educational establishments, media, literature, decentralised authorities, national and sector level decision makers, NGOs and indigenous and local communities.
3. Develop a comprehensive program for the control and management of alien biological invaders as a way towards the management of threatened species

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3. Carry out an inventory of degraded ecosystems and fragile habitats in order to permit the prioritization and development of ecosystem specific rehabilitation programs.
4. Promotion of sustainable agriculture and livestock practices as means of ecosystem based climate change adaptation measures.
5. Sustainable utilisation of alternative energy



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