COP28 High-level Side Event
Launch of Implementation Framework

A Commonwealth Call to Action on Living Lands: Progressing from Adoption to Implementation

Sunday 3 December 2023, 1030–1230 (GST), Expo City, Dubai, The Commonwealth Pavilion, Blue Zone, Area B2, Building 21 – MA09G4

One year since the adoption of the Commonwealth Living Lands Charter, the launch of its Implementation Framework will turn our commitments into action. Across five key areas – climate-resilient agriculture, biodiversity, livestock rearing and husbandry, water and soil, and indigenous and local communities – the Framework will provide support on technical and policy issues, institutional governance, financing, capacity building and knowledge.

This event brings together Commonwealth leaders and Rio Convention representatives for a crucial high-level dialogue to share their unique national perspectives, achievements, challenges and recommendations across the key thematic areas of the Framework.

Speakers will include:

The Rt Hon. Patricia Scotland KC
Secretary-General of the Commonwealth

H.E. Mokgweetsi Masisi
President, Republic of Botswana

Hon. Dr Robert Abela
Prime Minister, Republic of Malta

Dr David Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary, CBD

Hon. Fiame Naomi Mata’afa
Prime Minister, Samoa

Mr Ibrahim Thiaw
Executive Secretary, UNCCD