

NATURE BASED ECONOMY WEBINAR

THEME: ECONOMICS OF BIODIVERSITY

THE AFRICAN GRASSROOTS PERSPECTIVE

June 30, 2021
2 - 4 PM EAT | 11 - 1 PM GMT

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ABOUT THE WEBINAR

The Dasgupta Review commissioned by the UK government tells us that the economics of biodiversity are complicated and aims to inform policy. It interrogates if markets can address externalities and inequities without government intervention. The nature based economy webinar, themed *'Economics of Biodiversity: The African Grassroots, Regional Development Bodies & Development Finance Institutions' Perspective'* organized by African CSOs Biodiversity Alliance and African Development Bank will unpack the discussion on the economics of biodiversity by exploring the local realities on the ground for Africa's indigenous and local communities.

AFRICAN VOICES

It is expected that African voices, particularly those of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs), will enrich current discourse on the conservation economy. Alongside the crucial perspectives of African IPLCs, other expected outcomes include:

- OUTLOOK OF AFRICAN GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY ON THE DASGUPTA REVIEW'S IMPLICATIONS
- INSIGHTS FROM AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FINANCE ON THE CONSERVATION ECONOMY
- CLARITY ON THE ROLE OF AFRICAN REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES IN THE ECONOMICS OF BIODIVERSITY

HIGHLIGHTED SPEAKERS



MODERATOR
Pauline Nantongo
Executive Director ECOTRUST
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Sandy Sheard
Head of Review Team & Deputy
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CLOSING SPEAKER
Zéneb Toure
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