



***The Democratic Republic of Congo's
National Vision for REDD + and the National REDD+ Fund***

**Invitation
UNFCCC CoP18 – High Profile Side-Event**

4th December 2012 - 13:00 to 15:00 - Hotel Torch Doha (Doha, Qatar)

Buffet at 14:30-15:00

The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) has been engaged since 2009 in the preparation to the REDD+ international mechanism aiming at Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation. Internationally recognized for its innovative approach and strong commitment to REDD+, the DRC is now ready to gradually enter the investment phase. In this respect, the Government has developed a National REDD+ Framework Strategy and a National REDD+ Fund. The strategy defines the major strategic and programmatic axes guiding future investments in REDD+, in line with the overall objectives of REDD+ as well as with the development priorities of the DRC. The establishment of a robust and transparent financial mechanism shall allow the successful mobilization and coordination of investments. Based on these major elements, the Government of DRC wishes to foster an international dialogue to develop strategic partnerships aiming at substantially scaling-up investments and actions, for the concrete implementation of REDD+ in the country contributing both to REDD+ and to the sustainable development of the country, towards a green economy.

H.E. the Deputy Prime Minister,

H.E. the Minister of Environment, Nature Conservation, and Tourism, and

H.E. the Deputy Minister Delegate for Finance of the Democratic Republic of Congo

**will be honored to welcome you to the international launch of the Democratic Republic of Congo's
National REDD+ Framework Strategy and National REDD+ Fund.**

Agenda

- Opening words
- Presentation of the DRC National REDD+ Framework-Strategy
- Presentation of the National REDD+ Fund
- Interventions by various partners
- Buffet

Guest Speakers

- Carlos Klink, National Secretary for Climate Change and Environmental Quality, Ministry of Environment of Brazil;
- Hans Brattskar, Director General and Special Envoy for Climate Change, Ministry of Environment of Norway;
- Veerle Vandeweerd, Director for Energy and Environment, UNDP.

Additional information

The Side-event will be held at Torch Doha hotel, located just 15 minutes from the Qatar National Convention Center (QNCC); please see map below (*Torch Doha hotel, Al Waab Street, Aspire Zone, +974 3318 0276 www.thetorchedoha.com*).

Buses will be provided to and from the Qatar National Convention Center: Bus n°16.

French-English simultaneous translation will be provided

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Map from the Qatar National Convention Center to the Torch-Doha Hotel

