

# Overview Schedule Negotiation Track and Action Agenda



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# COP16 High level segment – Day 1

Monday 2 December 2024

| Hours |     | Official Sessions                                   | Action Agenda Events   |  |
|-------|-----|---|--|--|
| 9     | :00 |   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 10    | :00 | <b>COP opening ceremony followed by COP Plenary</b> |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 11    | :00 |   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 12    | :00 |   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 13    | :00 | <b>Press Conference</b>                             |  |  |
|       | :30 |   | <b>Launch of Riyadh Global Drought Resilience Partnership</b>  |  |
| 14    | :00 |   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 15    | :00 | <b>Committee of the Whole</b>                       |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 16    | :00 |   | <b>Ministerial Dialogue on Drought Resilience<br/>“From Geneva to Riyadh and beyond, enhancing global and national policy instruments for a proactive drought management approach”</b> |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |
| 17    | :00 |   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   | <b>Launch of Drought Resilience Observatory and Global Drought Atlas</b>   |  |
| 18    | :00 |   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |  |



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# COP16 High-level segment – Day 2

Tuesday 3 December 2024

| Hours |     | Official Sessions   |   |   | Action Agenda Events   |  |  |
|-------|-----|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| 9     | :00 |   |   |   | <b>Needs and Opportunities(GAP Report)</b>                                       |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 10    | :00 | <b>Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention</b> | <b>Ministerial dialogue:</b><br><i>Unlocking Public and Private Finance for Land Restoration and Drought Resilience</i> |   |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 11    | :00 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 12    | :00 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 13    | :00 |   |   |   | <b>An Exploration of Islamic Finance</b>   |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 14    | :00 |   |   | <b>Ministerial Dialogue:</b><br><i>Impacts of Land Degradation and Drought on Forced Migration, Security and Prosperity</i> |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 15    | :00 | <b>Committee on Science and Technology</b>                              | <b>COP - Formal statements</b>  |   |  | <b>Harnessing the Power of the Market</b> Panel discussion on innovative market mechanisms to finance land restoration efforts |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 16    | :00 |   |   |   |  |  | <b>Investing for Impact</b> - Panel discussion showcasing innovative blended funds and investment mechanisms that are emerging. Followed by dialogue on creative solutions to unlocking and leveraging investment for DLDD plus interaction with the multilateral investments institutions |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 17    | :00 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 18    | :00 |   |   |   | <b>Closing session: Recap announcements, adoption of ministerial declaration</b> |  |  |
|       | :30 |   |   |   |  |  |  |



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# COP16 Land Day

Wednesday 4 December 2024

| Hours |     | Official Sessions   |  | Action Agenda Events  |   |   |  |   |  |
|-------|-----|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| 8     | :00 |   |  |   |   |   | Business 4 Land Champions                                |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  | High-level opening: From Riyadh To Belem: a journey for the harmonization of the three Rio Conventions towards stronger synergies |   |   |  |   |  |
| 9     | :00 |   |  | Symposium on naturebased solutions  | Resilience of mountain ecosystems in drylands                               | The new nature of business: The path to prosperity and sustainability     | The Business 4 Land Expert Consultation Session          |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 10    | :00 | Joint session of Committee on Science and Technology & Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention | High Level Interactive Dialogue: Gender Caucus |   |   |   |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 11    | :00 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 12    | :00 |   |  | Land Restoration Moonshot: Success stories  | Boosting the resilience of desert oases                                     |   |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 13    | :00 |   |  | Business 4 Land Forum   |   |   |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 14    | :00 |   |  |   |   |   | Great Green Wall: Lessons from Ongoing Regional Programs |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 15    | :00 | Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention  | Committee of the Whole                         | VACS Champions  | Addressing Water Scarcity in the Arab World: The Role of the Private Sector | Global Rangelands Standards: A Framework for Sustainable Pastoral Futures |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 16    | :00 |   |  |   |   | Land of Opportunities Pitching Competition                                |  | COP Presidency event: Protecting and Restoring Rangelands |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 17    | :00 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  | Land Restoration Moonshot: Scaling finance, empowering people   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 18    | :00 |   |  |   |   |   | Fashion 4 Land   |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |
| 19    | :00 |   |  | High-level closing session  |   |   |  |   |  |
|       | :30 |   |  |   |   |   |  |   |  |



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# COP16 Agri-Food Systems Day

Thursday 5 December 2024



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# COP16 Governance Day

Friday 6 December 2024

| Hours         | Official Sessions                   |                        | Action Agenda Events  |   |  |   |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| 13 :00<br>:30 |                                     |                        | Mayor's Forum: Showcasing the role of local and regional governments in combating land degradation, water scarcity, and desertification | Women's land rights for effective restoration efforts: Understanding synergies, taking action                         | High-level interactive dialogue on the role of subnational governments to accelerate sustainable land management |   |
| 14 :00<br>:30 |                                     |                        |   |   |  |   |
| 15 :00<br>:30 | Committee on Science and Technology | Committee of the Whole |   |   |  |   |
| 16 :00<br>:30 |                                     |                        | Tenure security as an enabler of land restoration and sustainable agrifood systems: the role of land policy                             | Urban-Rural linkages and land: Tools and governance frameworks for action   | Governance in drylands: A vision for a just land transition  | Rights and responsibilities: how to achieve equitable, inclusive and sustainable water governance |
| 17 :00<br>:30 |                                     |                        |   |   |  |   |
| 18 :00<br>:30 |                                     |                        | Shared Lands, Shared Futures: Inclusive governance for rangelands and pastoralists  | How Integrated Land Use Planning (ILUP) contributes to LDN, food and tenure security and multiple environmental goals | Data and knowledge management: Towards integrating land tenure into UNCCD monitoring                             |   |
| 19 :00<br>:30 |                                     |                        |   |   |  |   |



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# COP16 People's Day

Saturday 7 December 2024

| Hours |            | Action Agenda Events  |  |  |
|-------|------------|---|--|--|
| 9     | :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Youth uniting for policy coherence: Bridging the gap in global desertification and land restoration efforts</b> |  |
| 10    | :00<br>:30 | <b>High-level event: Indigenous Peoples for Land</b>                                      |  |  |
| 11    | :00<br>:30 |   | <b>By Youth for Youth: Youth at the Forefront</b>  |  |
| 12    | :00<br>:30 |   |  |  |
| 13    | :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Decent work in nature-based solutions 2024: ILO-IUCN-UNEP report launch</b>                                     | <b>Sport4Land Champion Announcement</b>  |
| 14    | :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Mobility Matters: In the footsteps of pastoralists and hunter-gatherer walking around the world</b>             | <b>Restoration of global rangelands for people, nature and human well-being and development</b>  |
| 15    | :00<br>:30 | <b>Youth Forum: Action for Land, restoring work for resilient and sustainable futures</b> |  | <b>Gender Caucus: Emerging best practices on the collection of sex-disaggregated data and gender-responsive indicators for DLDD initiatives</b>            |
| 16    | :00<br>:30 |   | <b>The role of Indigenous Peoples on ecosystem restoration</b>   |  |
| 17    | :00<br>:30 |   |  | <b>Gender Caucus: Women-led solutions for drought resilience and adaptation: Key findings and conversation with selected country-based women champions</b> |



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# COP16 Science, Technology and Innovation Day

Monday 9 December 2024

| Hours |     | Official Sessions  |  | Action Agenda Events   |  |
|-------|-----|--|--|--|--|
| 9     | :00 |  |  |  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Science-Policy Interface (SPI) day</b></p> |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 10    | :00 | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>COP Open Dialogue Session</b></p>  |  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Interactive dialogue: From Degradation to Restoration: The Power and Impact of Land Governance in Communities across the Globe</b></p> |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 11    | :00 |  |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 12    | :00 |  |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 13    | :00 |  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>High-level interactive dialogue: Healing our land through science and Earth Intelligence</b></p> |  |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 14    | :00 |  |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 15    | :00 | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention</b></p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Committee of the Whole</b></p>   |  |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 16    | :00 |  |  |  |  |
|       | :30 |  |  |  |  |
| 17    | :00 |  |  |  |  |
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# COP16 Resilience Day

Tuesday 10 December 2024

| Hours         | Official Sessions   | Action Agenda Events   |
|---------------|---|--|
| 9 :00<br>:30  |   | <b>Resilience to address the challenges of land degradation, desertification, drought and water scarcity</b> |
| 10 :00<br>:30 | <b>Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention</b> | <b>Scaling up land restoration for resilient ecosystems and communities</b>                                  |
| 11 :00<br>:30 |   |  |
| 12 :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Resilience through Early Warning Systems</b>  |
| 13 :00<br>:30 |   |  |
| 14 :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Drought preparedness and water scarcity</b>   |
| 15 :00<br>:30 |   |  |
| 16 :00<br>:30 |   |  |
| 17 :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Connecting DLDD, SDS and water scarcity with integrated land solutions</b>                                |
| 18 :00<br>:30 |   |  |
| 19 :00<br>:30 |   | <b>Dinner and Networking</b>   |



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# COP16 Closing Days

|                                   |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
|                                   |  |  |
| <b>Wednesday 11 December 2024</b> |  |  |
| 10-13                             |  |  |
| 15-18                             |  |  |
| <b>Thursday 12 December 2024</b>  |  |  |
| 10-13                             |  |  |
| 15-18                             | <b>Committee on Science and Technology</b>                 |  |
| <b>Friday 13 December 2024</b>    |  |  |
| 10-13                             |  | <b>COP (adoption of COW decisions)</b> |
| 15-18                             | <b>COP (adoption of COP decisions and closing session)</b> |  |



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