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ERAIFT participated in the national dialogue of capitalization of the achievements and the considering of the rights of the local communities in the implementation of the Global Framework of Biodiversity which took place, from 09 to 10 May 2023 in Kinshasa at the big top of Pullman Grand Hotel of Kinshasa. Funded by GIZ, this dialogue focused on other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs) for the achievement of the 30x30 objectives, what mean 30% of national spaces under conservation status by 2030, brought together various delegates including some traditional leaders involved in community conservation.

Under the facilitation of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the dialogue participants discussed the following topics: (1) Definition, criteria, opportunities, challenges, and legal framework of OECMs; (2) Perspectives for identifying and managing OECMs based on feedback from existing models of community-based resource management, including local community forest concessions, indigenous peoples' areas and heritages, conservation forest concessions, etc. The dialogue ended with a consultation of the stakeholders on the proposal of strategies for the development of a provisional roadmap to guide the effective consideration of potential OECMs in the national policy of nature conservation of the Democratic Republic of Congo.



ERAIFT thanks GIZ and IUCN for the renewed confidence in this dialogue for an inclusive conservation of biodiversity in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).