



## Programme schedule

**Regional science-policy investment dialogue on mountain biodiversity**

**Subforum at the Eco Forum Global Guiyang 2025: mountain biodiversity and our life**

**Moderator: Chen Huai, Deputy Director General, Department of Ecology and Environment, Guizhou, China**

Time (China Standard Time)	Sessions	Speakers/Moderators
09:00 – 10:35	<b>Opening session</b>  Remarks	<p>Li Jiatang, Director, Chengdu Institute of Biology, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CIB,CAS)</p> <p>Pema Gyamtsho, Director General, ICIMOD (video message)</p> <p>Fu Tao, Deputy Director General of the Department of Ecology and Environment, Guizhou, China</p> <p>Anthony Preston, British Consul General to Chongqing and Southwest China</p>

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	<b>Keynote speeches</b>	
	Linking people and biodiversity – management focused research in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) region	Ashiq Ahmad Khan, Executive Advisor, Human Welfare & Development Organisation and Raza Foundation (UK) / Former Advisor to the Ministry of Climate Change (Pakistan)
	Status and challenges of biodiversity in southwest China's mountain regions	Wu Ning, Researcher, Chengdu Institute of Biology, Chinese Academy of Sciences
	Status and challenges of mountain biodiversity in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) region	Sunita Chaudhary, Biodiversity Lead, ICIMOD
	UK National Parks: Restoring nature for people and planet	Gordon Watson, Chief Executive Officer at Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park Authority, Glasgow
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	Group photo and Break	
<b>11:00 – 12:30</b>	Technical session 1: Biodiversity conservation practices in China	Moderator: Avash Pandey, Policy Specialist, Regional cooperation, ICIMOD

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		Rapporteur: Feng Yuan, ICIMOD
	Chinese eco-civilisation approach to mountain biodiversity conservation and sustainable utilisation	Hao Haiguang, Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences
	Biodiversity conservation practices in Caohai Lake, China	Xia Pinhua, Guizhou Normal University
	Biodiversity conservation practices in Maolan National Nature Reserve	Yu Dengli, Director, Maolan Nature Reserve Management Bureau
	Biodiversity conservation practices in Sichuan Giant Panda Nature Reserve	Li Shengzhi, Institute of Ecological Civilization, Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences
	Discussion, Q&A and conclusion	
<b>12:30 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	
<b>13:30-15:00</b>	Technical Session 2: Conservation of mountain biodiversity: learnings from the HKH region (Case studies)	Moderator: Sunita Chaudhary, Biodiversity Lead, ICIMOD  Rapporteur: Avash Pandey, ICIMOD
	Contribution of ethnic community for mountain biodiversity conservation in Bangladesh	Md Mahmudul Hassan Assistant Chief Conservator, Forest Department, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bangladesh

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	Community-led biodiversity conservation: Royal Society for Protection of Nature's (RSPN) experiences from Bhutan	Karma Lodhen Wangmo Head, Black Neck Crane Education Centre of the Royal Society for Protection of Nature (RSPN), Bhutan
	Community conservation areas in Nagaland – integrating conservation with development in mountain areas	Supongnukshi Ao Chief Conservator of Forests, (CCF) Member Secretary, Nagaland State Biodiversity Board, Government of Nagaland, India
	Nepal's efforts on mountain biodiversity conservation with focus on protected area system	Mohan Raj Kafle Joint Secretary (Biodiversity and Environment Division) Ministry of Forests and Environment, Government of Nepal
	Discussion, Q&A and conclusion	
<b>15:00 – 16:45</b>	Expert panel discussion: Biodiversity-climate-development nexus in mountain areas – challenges and opportunities	<b>Moderator:</b> Babar Khan, Regional Lead and Senior Ecosystem Management Specialist, ICIMOD  <b>Rapporteurs:</b> Avash Pandey and Feng Yuan, ICIMOD
		Chen Sheng, Vice President, CRAES

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	Discussion, Q&A	<p>Yang Yongping, Deputy Director General, Xixiabangma Tropical Botanical Garden, China</p> <p>Wang Ye, Director, Foreign Environmental Cooperation Centre, Ministry of Environment and Ecology, China</p> <p>Supongnukshi Ao, Chief Conservator of Forests, (CCF) Nagaland</p> <p>Hou Wei, Deputy Director of the Department of Ecology and Environment, Guizhou, China</p> <p>Heidi Ma, Conservation Researcher, Hainan Gibbon Project Coordinator, Zoological Society of London</p>
16:45-17:30	Recommendations and way forward Vote of thanks, and closing	<p>Moderator: Avash Pandey, ICIMOD Rapporteur: Feng Yuan, ICIMOD</p> <p>Ashiq Ahmad Khan, Executive Advisor, Human Welfare &amp; Development Organisation and Raza Foundation (UK)/ Former Advisor to the Ministry of Climate Change, Pakistan</p>

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