



Ministry of  
Tourism, Wildlife  
& Heritage

STATE DEPARTMENT  
FOR WILDLIFE

# Launch OF CONCEPT FOR THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION ROUNDTABLE



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## Introduction

Wildlife resources are key natural heritage that are a driver of local community livelihoods, and the environment and natural resources contribute over 50% of our GDP, with 90% of Kenya's electricity being generated from renewable natural resources. Wildlife is vital brand that Kenya is known for World-wide, and yet our wildlife resource is rapidly declining. Concerted effort is required, including an **"all-of-government"** approach towards conservation and management of our wildlife and biodiversity resources. The proposed platform for stakeholders' engagement presents an opportunity for an all-inclusive and consultative approach to unlock the wildlife sector.

## Proposal

Establishment of an Advisory Roundtable Caucus comprising Government and non-state actors including private sector and development partners in the wildlife management and conservation sector. This will comprise quarterly round-table dialogues that will serve as:

1. The Sectoral Think-Tank.
2. An advisory platform for Cabinet Secretary and H.E the President.
3. A forum to raise emerging issues and contemporary wildlife conservation concerns on diverse aspects of wildlife conservation and management.

## Outputs

1. Unlocking opportunities for coordinated sector funding.
2. Convening of Wildlife Technical Expertise and Natural Resources intelligence.
3. Unified Country position during international Conventions.
4. Guidance on investment in nature-based enterprise, including Public-Private Partnerships.
5. Annual Wildlife & conservation Convention for national dialogue and wider engagement.
6. Opportunities for innovative economic growth

## Actions

1. The initial Roundtable scheduled on 8th December 2022
2. Launch of the Wildlife and biodiversity roundtable engagement framework

## Launch Participants

*Approx 25-30 pax*

1. Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Heritage
2. Ministry of Environment and Forestry
3. Ministry of Agriculture
4. Ministry of Lands
5. Ministry of Roads
6. Kenya Wildlife Service
7. Wildlife Research and Training
8. National Land Commission
9. Dept of Remote Sensing and Resource Surveys
10. Devolution Council of Governors (Chair Tourism and wildlife committee)
11. IFAW President Azzedine Downes
12. IFAW regional director – James Isiche
13. CAK Board – Steve Itela
14. CAK Board- Lucy Waruingi
15. CAK Board – Pat Awori
16. CAK Board – Munira Bashir
17. CAK Board – Sam Weru
18. CAK Board – Dorothy Githae
19. CAK Board – Anthony Ochieng'
20. Secretariat- Shillah Raymond
21. Secretariat- Fiesta Warinwa
22. Tsavo Heritage Foundation – Jacob Kipongoso
23. KWCA Board – Jackson Mwato
24. KWCA CEO – Dickson Kaelo
25. UNODC – Chair of the Development Partners Wildlife Issue Group
26. IUCN – Luther Anankur/Charles Karangwa
27. UNEP – Doreen Robinson
28. USAID – Aurelia Micko
29. Community elder – Chairman Leturesh
30. Community elder – Laibon Baari
31. Community elder – Maasai Mara
32. Community elder – North, Laikipia/Samburu

