

Strengthening Reporting of SLM for LDN

Side Event @ UNCCD CRIC23

Date/Time: Wednesday, December 3, 2025 - 18:15–19:45 EST

Venue: CARIBE 5

The event offers a dedicated space for a follow-up exchange of the session “*Streamlining Reporting of SLM Technologies between the WOCAT Database and PRAIS*” from the CRIC panel on **Leveraging Data, Tools, and Innovation for the 2026 UNCCD Reporting Process**.

The discussion will focus on how Sustainable Land Management (SLM) practices can be linked more effectively with Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets and better be integrated into the PRAIS framework. The event will feature country experiences, discussions and an open exchange for exploring options for metadata, user friendly linkages that improve consistency, scalability, and evidence-based reporting on SLM.

By showcasing and discussing options for connecting field-level SLM practices to national LDN targets in a structured and dynamic way, this side event aims to contribute to strengthening the UNCCD implementation framework and advancing more impactful and scalable land restoration solutions.

Tentative Agenda

TIME	ACTIVITY/SEGMENT
18.00	Arrival & Aperero
18.15	Opening Remarks The UNCCD Secretariat opens the session and sets the stage for the event.
18.25	Technical Input The WOCAT Secretariat will demonstrate how automated linkages between the UNCCD-designated database for SLM best practices and PRAIS can enhance reporting
18.40	Country Experiences Country Parties will share their approaches to developing national SLM frameworks and databases, and how they link SLM practices to LDN targets, while reflecting on key challenges and opportunities for strengthening reporting. • Saudi Arabia (KSA) – TBC • Mongolia – STC Mandakh Nyamtseren • Bhutan – NFP Tashi Wangdi • Philippines – National Focal Point Gina P
19:05	SLM Documentation in Programmes / Project FAO will share how SLM good practice documentation can be integrated into GEF project and programme knowledge management processes.
19:15	Open Exchange Participants will engage a moderated exchange to identify their interests and expectations, data and capacity needs, and practical options for consistent, evidence-based SLM reporting and enhanced cross-country learning.
19.35	Closing Remarks Closing by the UNCCD Regional Liaison Office Officers highlighting the regional and local relevance of strengthening consistent and evidence-based SLM reporting • Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) – Laura Meza Morales • Africa – Milcah Ndegwa
19.45	Aperero

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