

Congo Basin Peatlands Governance Project — Cuvette Centrale (DRC & Republic of Congo)

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Congo (the Democratic Republic of the)

Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

IKI-funded governance programme (2022-2027) for the Cuvette Centrale, the world's largest tropical peatland (145,500 km², ~30.6 Gt carbon, Nature 2017), building cross-sectoral platforms, hydrological monitoring and FPIC-based community engagement in DRC and Congo-Brazzaville.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	2/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	2/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-07-04

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