



Celebration of World Wildlife Day 2022
“Recovering Key Species for Ecosystem Restoration”
3 March 2022, 08:00 EST/14:00 CET

 Live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/WorldWildlifeDay>

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- 08:00 EST **WELCOMING REMARKS** by Ms. Ivonne Higuero, Secretary-General, Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)
- [TIME] **OPENING REMARKS**
- **Mr. Abdulla Shahid**, President, United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)
 - **Mr. Milciades Concepción**, Minister of Environment of Panama
 - **Mr. Achim Steiner**, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)(tbc)
 - **Ms. Amy Fraenkel**, Executive Secretary, Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS)
- [TIME] **WORLD WILDLIFE DAY 2022 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ART CONTEST**
- Announcement of the winner by The International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) representative
- [TIME] **PANEL DISCUSSION** moderated by CITES Secretary-General Ivonne Higuero
Introduction: “High quality ecosystem restoration – benefits for species, people and climate”
by Mr. Tim Christophersen, Head, Nature for Climate Branch, UN Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Stories from the wild:**
- **Ms. Adeline Jonasson**, Elder Chief, Łutsël K’e Dene First Nation, Canada
 - **Mr. John Kahekwa**, Founder, Pole Pole Foundation (POPOF), DR Congo
 - **Ms Tarin Toledo Aceves**, Researcher, The Institute of Ecology (INECOL), Mexico
 - **Mr. Sam Teicher**, Co-founder and Chief Reef Officer at Coral Vita Farm, The Bahamas
 - **Mr. Dhanbhadur Chaudhary**, Manager, Community-based Vulture Restaurant, Nepal
 - **Ms. Lucy Coals**, Project Support Officer, Project Seagrass, Thailand/Cambodia
- [TIME] **WORLD WILDLIFE DAY 2022 FILM SHOWCASE**
- Introduction by Ms. Lisa Samford, Executive Director, Jackson Wild
 - Announcement of the winning films by Ms. Lisa Samford and Ms. Ivonne Higuero
- [TIME] **CLOSING REMARKS**
- [TIME] **UN Chamber Music Society of the United Nations Staff Recreation Council**
Brenda Vongova, Artistic Director
CHRISTOPHER TIN (1976 -) 'Flocks a Mile Wide'