Central Africa Forests Commission

A Regional Approach to the Conservation and Sustainable Management of Forest Ecosystems

Twelveth Ordinary Session of the COMIFAC Council of Ministers

Yaounde, Republic of Cameroon, from 3 to 5 November 2026

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DETAILED DRAFT AGENDA

I. EXPERTS' SESSION

Day 1: Tuesday, 3 November 2026

Time	Activities
07:45-08:45	Arrival and Registration of Participants
08:45-09:00	Arrival and Installation of Officials
09:00-09:45	**A. ORGANISATIONAL ISSUES: Official Opening Ceremony of the Experts' Session**: ▪ Address by the Executive Secretary of COMIFAC; ▪ Opening Address by Cameroon's Minister of Forestry and Wildlife
09:45-10:15	**Group photograph and coffee-break**
10:15-10:30	Constitution of the Bureau; Introduction of Participants; Presentation of Objectives; Adoption of the Draft Agenda
10:30-13:00	**B. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:** ▪ COMIFAC's Financial Situation; ▪ Financial and Accounting Audit Reports; ▪ 2024 and 2025 Activity Reports; ▪ Preparing Central Africa's Participation at COP31 of the UNFCCC; ▪ Discussions
13:00-14:00	**Lunch Break**
13:00-14:00	**C. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION (Continuation):** ▪ Renewing the Statutory Team of the COMIFAC Executive Secretariat; ▪ Adoption of the Revised Convergence Plan of COMIFAC; ▪ Presentation of the Methodological Guidelines to Integrated Land-Use Planning and Natural Capital Accounting; ▪ Discussions
16:30-16:45	**Coffee break**
16:45-18:00	**D. GROUP SESSION**: ▪ Presentation of Terms of Reference, Setting up of Groups and Launch of Group Discussion
18:00	Suspension of deliberations

Day 2: Wednesday, 4 November 2026

INAUGURATION OF COMIFAC HEADQUARTERS AND OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 12TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

A. Reception and Inauguration of COMIFAC Headquarters	
Time	**Activities**
07:45–08:30	Arrival and Installation of Participants and Guests
08:30–08:50	Arrival of Heads of Delegations, Members of the Diplomatic Corps, Partners and Other High-Level Dignitaries
08:50–08:55	Arrival of Ministers from COMIFAC Member States
08:55	General Arrangements for the Reception of H.E. the Prime Minister
09:00	**Arrival of H.E. the Prime Minister and Head of Government of the Republic of Cameroon** Official Reception and Introduction of Key Dignitaries
09:05–09:15	Brief Presentation of COMIFAC Headquarters by the Executive Secretary
09:15–09:25	**Unveiling of the Inaugural Plate and Ceremonial Ribbon-Cutting by His Excellency the Prime Minister**
09:15–09:25	**Guided Tour of COMIFAC Headquarters**
09:45–10:00	Installation of H.E. the Prime Minister, Ministers and Guests in the Ceremony Hall
B. Official Opening Ceremony of the 12th Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers	
10:00–10:05	Welcome Address by the City Mayor of Yaounde
10:05 –10:10	Remarks by the German–Congolese Co-Facilitation of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership
10:10 –10:120	Address by the Chairperson of ECCAS Commission
10:10 –10:120	Address by the Current Chairperson of COMIFAC
10:30–10:45	**Opening Address by H.E. the Prime Minister and Head of Government of the Republic of Cameroon**

C. Handover of COMIFAC Chairmanship	
Time	**Activities**
10:45–11:05	**Official Handover Ceremony of COMIFAC Chairmanship to the Republic of Cameroon** ▪ Announcement by the Master of Ceremonies; ▪ Ceremonial Handover of the Insignia of the Chairmanship; ▪ Handshake between the Outgoing and Incoming Chairpersons ▪ Official Photograph
11:05–11:20	**Official Group Photograph** with H.E. the Prime Minister, Ministers and Heads of Delegation, ECCAS and COMIFAC Representatives, and Key Dignitaries
11:20–11:30	Transition and Installation for Lunch

D. Official Lunch	
11:30–13:00	Official Lunch to Commemorate the Inauguration of the COMIFAC Headquarters and the Opening of the 12th Ordinary Session of the COMIFAC Council of Ministers, with the presence of H.E. the Prime Minister, Head of Government
13:00–13:10	**Departure of H.E. the Prime Minister and Head of Government**
E. Resumption of the Experts' Session	
13:30–15:30	Continuation of the Working Group Sessions initiated on 28 October
15:30–15:45	Coffee break
15:45–16:45	Presentation of the Group Session Outcomes and Examination of the Recommendations
16:45–18:00	Reading, Review and Adoption of the Report of the Experts' Session
18:00	**Closing of the Experts' Session**

II. MINISTERIAL SESSION

Day 3: Thursday, 5 November 2026

Time	Activities
08:30–09:00	Arrival and Installation of Delegations
09:00–09:30	Arrival and installation of Ministers
09:30–10:00	**A. ORGANISATIONAL ISSUES:** ▪ Verification of the Quorum; ▪ Constitution of the Bureau of the 12th Session; ▪ Adoption of the Agenda.
10:00–10:30	**Presentation of the Report and Recommendations of the Experts' Session**
10:30–13:00	**B. MINISTERS' CLOSED-DOOR SESSION:** ▪ Review of the Recommendations Submitted by the Experts' Session ▪ Review of Issues Requiring the Council Decision ▪ Review of Draft Decisions
13:00–14:00	Lunch Break
14:00–15:30	**MINISTERS' CLOSED-DOOR SESSION (Continuation and end):** ▪ Finalising and Adopting Decisions; ▪ Adoption of the Conclusions of the 12th Session;
15:30–16:00	Finalising the Final Communiqué
16:00–17:00	**C. OFFICIAL CLOSING CEREMONY:** ▪ Reading of the Final Communique; ▪ Closing Address by the current Chairperson of COMIFAC
17:00	**Closing of the 12th Ordinary Session of the COMIFAC Council of Ministers**