



**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 Christopherson, 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] **MUSICAL OUTRO**  
CHRISTOPHER TIN (1976 - ) 'Flocks a Mile Wide' - **Un Chamber Music Society of the United Nations Staff Recreation Council**