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UNCCD COP 15 through the lens of drought

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Description / Abstract

The fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP15) of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) took place from 9 to 20 May 2022 in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

The theme of COP15 was Land. Life. Legacy: From scarcity to prosperity. COP15 discussed sustainable solutions for land restoration and drought resilience, with a strong focus on future-proofing land use. COP15 explored links between land and other key sustainability issues, such as climate, biodiversity, green jobs and gender equality. These issues were discussed at a Heads of States Summit, roundtables and interactive dialogue sessions among ministers and other high-ranking officials. Following two weeks of high-level discussions and negotiations,

COP 15 adopted 37 decisions and one resolution to enhance drought resilience, reduce land degradation, and invest in land restoration efforts.

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