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**PREPARATION OF THE 1st ROUND TABLE OF FUNDERS FOR THE
FINANCING OF THE INVESTMENT PLAN OF THE CONGO BASIN BLUE FUND**

**FOURTH SUMMIT OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE CONGO
BASIN CLIMATE COMMISSION (CBCM) AND THE CONGO BASIN BLUE FUND
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In Nairobi, Republic of Kenya, on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, was held the 4th Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Congo Basin Climate Commission (CBCCC), upon joint invitation of their Excellencies **Messieurs Denis SASSOU N'GUESSO** and **William RUTO**, respectively President of the Republic of the Congo, Head of State, President of the Congo Basin Climate Commission and President of the Republic of Kenya, President of the Committee of African Heads of State and Government on Climate Change (CAHOSCC).

His Excellency **Mr. Aziz AKHANNOUCH**, Head of Government of the Kingdom of Morocco, represented **His Majesty MOHAMMED VI**, King of Morocco.

This Summit saw the exceptional participation of His Excellency **Mr. AZALI ASSOUMANI**, President of the Union of Comoros, member country of the Climate Commission of African Island States, sister commission of the Congo Basin Climate Commission.

This very high-level meeting was preceded by two statutory meetings, namely the meeting of the Focal Points of the Congo Basin Climate Commission, extended to Finance Experts, and the Council of Ministers, organized respectively on May 9 and 10, 2026 in Nairobi. It marks the final step for the holding, on May 26, 2026 in Brazzaville, on the sidelines of the Annual Meetings of the African Development Bank Group, of the 1st Round Table of funders on the financing of the investment plan of the Congo Basin Blue Fund.

Upon recommendations of the Council of Ministers, the Heads of State and Government adopted in the last resort the regulatory texts of the management and control bodies of the Blue Fund for the Congo Basin, namely: the Assembly of Funders, the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors, the Investment Committee, the Permanent Secretariat and the Technical Committee.

The Heads of State and Government also endorsed the appointment of the Minister of Finance, Budget and Public Portfolio of the Republic of Congo as President of the Executive Committee, while the Cabinet Secretary (Minister) in charge of the National Treasury and Economic Planning of the Republic of Kenya occupies the Vice-Presidency.

The Heads of State and Government finally validated the first program of priority projects of the Congo Basin Blue Fund, which includes nearly 70 projects evaluated at more than 6 billion USD. They gave discharge to the Executive Secretariat of the Congo Basin Climate Commission and to the Development Bank of Central African States



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(BDEAC) to present them to funders and investors, during the 1st Round Table which will be held in Brazzaville, on May 26, 2026.

With the adoption of the regulatory texts of the management and control bodies, the setting up of the office of the Executive Committee, and the adoption of the first program of priority projects, the Congo Basin Blue Fund is henceforth operational.

The Congo Basin, first world ecological lung and the largest economic zone of the continent by its size, now possesses an independent, autonomous and operational financial tool.

In this regard, May 12, 2026 is a date to be inscribed in golden letters in the annals of the African Continent, the green Africa of **WANGARI MAATHAI**. The Kenyatta International Convention Center of Nairobi will enter into posterity as the place where was launched, effectively, the financial instrument of the Congo Basin Climate Commission.

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