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The **IUCN Africa Conservation Forum (ACF)** co – organised with the Government of Kenya through the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife in collaboration with the IUCN Kenya National Committee, brings together about 700 representatives drawn from a wide spectrum of society from Africa.

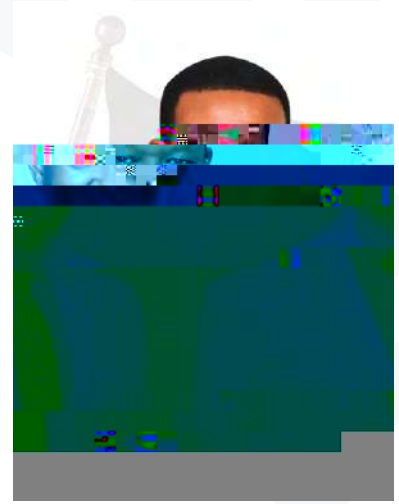
Organised under the theme, **'African Solutions for People and Nature'**, the Forum aims to catalyze impactful change across the continent by fostering collaboration among Governments, NGOs, local communities, private sector and international organizations, to develop transformative responses to the biodiversity and climate crisis in Africa.

Karibu Kenya!

H.E. DR. WILLIAM SAMOEI RUTO, C.G.H,
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA



Tembea Kenya!



WELCOME MESSAGE FROM
DR. ALFRED MUTUA, CABINET SECRETARY
FOR TOURISM AND WILDLIFE, KENYA

Dear Delegates,

I am delighted to welcome you to the Africa Conservation Forum. Kenya's Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife is honoured to partner with the International Union for Conservation of Nature as a longstanding State Member.

This Forum cements Kenya's leadership in conservation. Just last week, on the 19th of June 2024, I launched Kenya's unique glimpse into the rich tapestry of our natural heritage. Our national parks are more than just tourist destinations; they are vital ecosystems that support biodiversity, provide research opportunities, and sustain local communities through eco-tourism. By preserving these natural wonders, we ensure that future generations can also draw inspiration and sustenance from them.

From the vast savannahs of the Maasai Mara, teeming with the grandeur of the Great Migration, to the rugged landscapes of Tsavo, home to the 'Big Five', our parks are not only vital sanctuaries for wildlife but also living museums of our natural history. In particular, I would like to highlight the Nairobi National Park, a true gem and a testament to

As we gather to discuss and shape the future of conservation on our continent, I am honoured to extend a special invitation to you to experience the unparalleled beauty and heritage of Kenya's national parks. Your visit will not only

national parks.

