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**Government of Cameroon Recognizes Importance of Forest Tenure Reform and Community Participation for Economic Development**

Yaounde 2 May 2009  
The Government of Cameroon has announced that it will be introducing a new law on forest tenure and community participation in Yaounde on Monday 25 May 2009. The new law will be a landmark in the country's history.

So, Cameroon is joining Tanzania, Mozambique, Angola and Togo as the first African country to introduce such a law. This is a significant step towards the sustainable management of the country's forest resources.

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