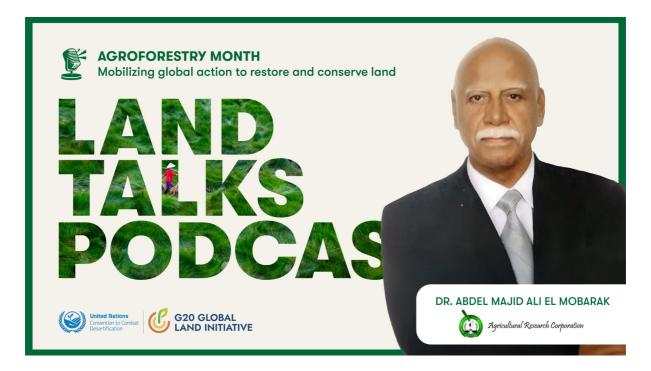


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Soil, Sustainability and Regional Action to Restore Land and Revive Life

In the latest episode of *Land Talks*, Dr Abdel Majid Ali El Mobarak of the Arab Center for the Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands (ACSAD) explains how drought- and salt-tolerant crops, grey-water recycling and sustainable dryland farming models are transforming resilience across the Arab region. He highlights why soil restoration must be central to both climate adaptation and food security. **Listen to Episode 6** <u>here</u>.

In one of the previous episodes, Dr Muralee Thummarukudy, Director of the UNCCD G20 Global Land Initiative, outlines how the G20 can help halve global land degradation by 2040. He makes a compelling case for aligning policy, finance and technology while building a global restoration workforce powered by youth innovation. **Listen to Episode 4** <u>here</u>.

Explore more episodes and subscribe to <u>Land Talks</u> for weekly conversations with experts shaping the future of land restoration.





<u>Policy Meets Youth Innovation</u> in Land Restoration

At last month's FAO World Food Forum in Rome, policymakers saw first-hand the youth-led innovations that can drive the next generation of sustainable food systems. See full details here.

A Call for Regional Unity on Land Restoration and Drought Resilience

At the 36th session of the Council of Arab Ministers Responsible for the Environment, UNCCD Executive Secretary Yasmine Fouad called for renewed regional solidarity. See full details here/beauty-sep-2



We Can Eradicate Hunger, with Just One Action

In Rwanda, 90 women — many of them genocide survivors — are transforming their communities through the Land for Women programme. Secure land rights and climate-smart farming are helping them reduce malnutrition and build lasting prosperity. Read the full story here.

The Multinational Professional Services Company EY Joins YECO as a New Partner

Ernst & Young has joined the Youth Ecopreneur Programme to mentor and support young innovators through coaching and masterclasses designed to strengthen sustainable business growth. Find out more here.





<u>Celebrating World Cities Day</u> <u>by Triggering Change in Higher</u> Education

On World Cities Day, the UNCCD-G20 GLI launches Trigger Change!, an open course empowering future planners to create resilient, people-centered cities. Learn more here.

Brazil's Next Social Impact Agenda is in the Land Restoration Economy

Brazil is leveraging land restoration to drive jobs, innovation and inclusive growth, as highlighted at Impacta Mais Talks, where communities, startups and investors came together to shape a more resilient economy. Continue reading <a href="https://example.com/here/brazil/restoration.com/here/brazil/restorati





Financing the Restoration Economy: Why Kenya's Strategy could Become a Blueprint for Africa

Kenya's new restoration finance strategy places youth, MSMEs and the private sector at the centre of sustainable growth — offering a promising model for Africa's future. Discover more here.

From Classrooms to Landscapes: Why Restoration Education Needs a Reset

At IUCN World Conservation Congress 2025 in Abu Dhabi, experts and youth leaders challenged universities to overhaul how they teach food systems, forests and restoration. See full details here.





From Definition to Delivery: The Missing Links in Forest Restoration

A new global assessment warns that unclear definitions and weak enforcement are keeping the world off track on forest restoration despite declining deforestation. Uncover more here.

Publications

<u>Financing the UN Development System: Resources Managing Unprecedented Times</u>

This report, the latest in the Financing the UN Development System series, provides an overview of financial trends and flows across the UN system, using high-quality data to support evidence-based policymaking, accountability, and international cooperation. Find out more in the full report here.

Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025

The latest Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025 highlights the urgent need to safeguard and restore forest ecosystems worldwide amid climate and land-use pressures. Explore the full report and its key findings here.

Meet the Interns:



Zayasaikhan Jargalsaikhan Intern

Zayasaikhan Jargalsaikhan is a globally-minded individual with a strong passion for sustainability and social impact. She is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Development and Human Rights, and has an academic background in Sustainability, Society and the Environment. Her background also includes roles at the Commonwealth Games and participation in global initiatives such as the U21 Global Citizenship Internship and Common Purpose Leadership Programmes. Read more about Zayasaikhan here.

Vacancies

<u>Junior Consultant</u> | Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) (Application period: 13-20 November 2025)

Events



Webinar: The Future of Land is Listening

Date: 17 November 2025

Register here.



From Rio to Belém: Synergistic Action for Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Resilience

Dates: 18 November 2025 Location: Belém, Brazil



Launch of RAIZ at COP30

Dates: 19 November 2025 Location: Belém, Brazil



Webinar: Faith4Land Faith Leaders Gathering

Date: 25 November 2025

Register here.



Webinar: Faith4Land Virtual Masterclass

Date: 26 November 2025

Register here.



Webinar: Sound Ecosystem Stewardship

Date: 2 December 2025

Register here.



UNCCD-G20 CRIC23: From Degradation to Opportunity

Date: 2 December 2025

Location: Panama City, Panama



7th session of the United Nations Environment Assembly UNEA-7

Dates: 8–12 December 2025 Location: Nairobi, Kenya

Register here.















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