



A Joint Side Event by OceanCare and Bees

# Aquatic Wildmeat in West Africa: Addressing a Local Issue with Global Responsibility

Aquatic wildmeat harvest is a growing threat to many CMS-listed species in West Africa. Drawing on the experience of communities in the region, this event will explore the problem and develop recommendations for CMS CoP13.



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## EVENT DETAILS:

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## OPENING REMARKS:

**Ms Melanie Virtue**, Head Aquatic Species Unit, CMS

## PANEL PRESENTATIONS:

**Maximin K. Djondo**, Ocean Conservation Consultant for Western Africa, BEES/OceanCare:  
**Aquatic Wildmeat in the Coastal Regions of Benin and Togo: A Study of Consumption and Drivers, and recommendations**

**Dr Ould Khouna Mohamed Elhacen**, Director of Protected Areas and Coastline, Ministry of the Environment & Sustainable Development, Mauritania:  
**Illegal use of aquatic threatened species in Mauritania**

**Dr Diouck Djibril**, Director, Department of National Parks Senegal:  
**Conservation of migratory species, national development & poverty reduction strategies and planning processes in Senegal**

**Dr Aristide Tehou**, CMS Focal Point Benin:  
**The need for the development of regional strategies for the conservation of aquatic wild meat in West and Central Africa**

## Q&A AND DISCUSSION

