



Rangeland Stewardship
Council

UNCCD COP17 SIDE EVENT
24 AUGUST 2026 | 10:30-12:00

BLUE ZONE, MET-03

ULAANBAATAR, MONGOLIA

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS & NETWORKING: 10:30-11:00

MAIN PROGRAMME: 11:00-12:00

Financing Land Restoration at Scale: Investment Pathways for Rangelands

Rangeland restoration is essential for climate resilience, biodiversity and livelihoods, yet the scale of investment needed cannot be met by public finance alone. This session, taking place during **COP17 FINANCE DAY**, brings together leaders from government, finance, business, science and sustainability to explore how blended finance, private-sector demand and credible investment mechanisms can unlock capital for rangeland restoration. The discussion will examine how stronger partnerships can reduce risk, build investment-ready projects and deliver lasting outcomes for landscapes and communities.

SPEAKERS & PANELISTS



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