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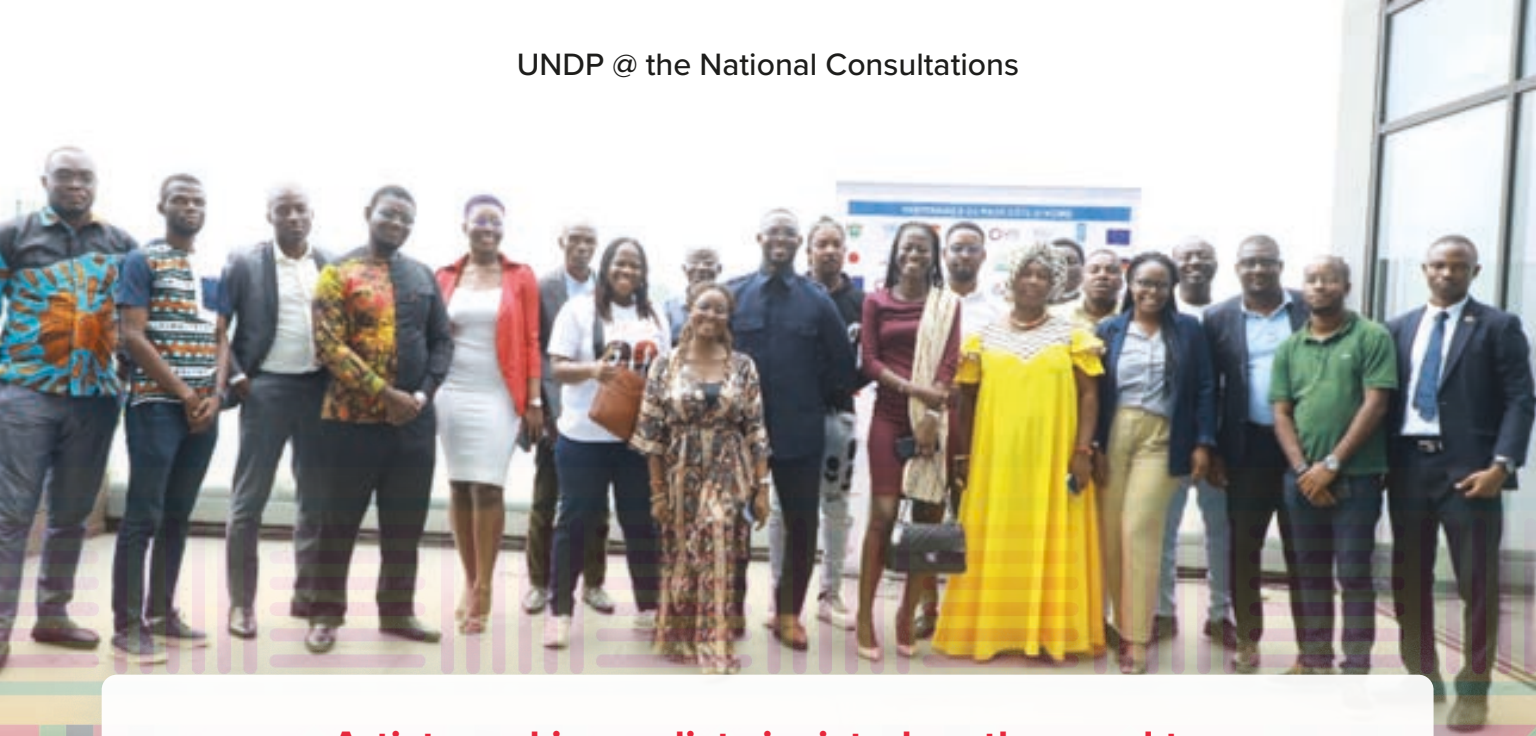


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In preparation for the **Stockholm+50 Summit** (June 2 and 3 2022) and the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP15) of the **United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)**, land degradation, and drought in Abidjan-Côte d'Ivoire, from 09 to 20 May 2022, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Côte d'Ivoire has assisted the government in organizing consultations with the financial support of Sweden. These national consultations aim at unpacking the key issues and ensuring an inclusive dialogue through a genuine representation and contribution of diverse stakeholders on the main themes and leadership dialogues Stockholm+50 and the legacy programme of COP15.

From March 17th to April 21st 2022, UNDP organized a launching ceremony and seven consultations sessions involving different constituency from youth, women, civil society organizations, the private sector, government entities, artists (bloggers, actors, influencers), development partners and UNCT. Approximately 413 people were mobilized, of which 42% were women and 40 % were youth. Each session consisted of short overviews of Stockholm+50 and COP15, groups discussions and knowledge sharing as well as questions, comments and inputs.



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The official opening ceremony on March, 17th highlighted the need to bring together all relevant stakeholders and actors (both state and non-state) to foster nation-wide consensus in the fight against deforestation, desertification, land degradation and drought as well as the promotion of green Post COVID recovery for a healthier planet. UNDP stressed the principle of “doing with”, rather than “doing for” stakeholders.

Artists and journalists had a prominent voice on the importance of using modern equipment in agriculture and emphasized the accountability of the private sector in maximizing sustainable food and agriculture. They insisted on the need to effectively enforce the rule and law related to the environmental protection.



## Civil society called for concrete actions to empower women and youth to end poverty



Civil society called for concrete actions to empower women and youth to end poverty, tracking and increasing the effectiveness of the Legacy Program and the Programme 2030 and the Multilateral Environment Agreements through a participatory and inclusive monitoring and accountability system.



## Government entities acknowledged the urgency of developing existing



Government entities acknowledged the urgency of developing existing, yet untapped, new green sectors; of mobilizing endogenous resources (through existing national funds) as well as strengthening cross-sectoralities and their synergies.





## Creating employment and value chains to stimulate the emergence of young entrepreneurs



Private sector actors were unanimous on tailoring a Legacy Program that promotes effective support to products transformation by creating employment and value chains in the form of agricultural trade, farm services, agro processing, urban retailing and food services to stimulate the emergence of young entrepreneurs.



## Youth and women engaged to drive successful agricultural, energy, transport and industry transformation



Youth and women demonstrated their interest in a healthy planet and post COVID green recovery and the Legacy Program and engaged to drive successful agricultural, energy, transport and industry transformation by strengthening technical and technological capacities as well as creating a favorable environment for the emerging of green start-ups.







## The technical and financial partners insisted on the regional and sub-regional dimensions of the Legacy Program



Finally, the technical and financial partners insisted on the regional and sub-regional dimensions of the Legacy Program. Productive, resilient, and innovative value chains in all the sectors notably, agriculture, industry, forestry and energy are key to leverage population well-being while protecting the natural heritage of the Country.



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