





# **EU-Republic of Congo: country projects**

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#### **FORESTS**

- Governance: ensuring the sustainable management of forests, peatlands, and their carbon stocks (e.g. by reinforcing the capacities of authorities)
- Sustainable forest economy and wood processing at the national level: supporting professional trainings and promoting private sector investments
- Promoting zero-deforestation agricultural practices
- Supporting protection and sustainable management of the **biodiversity** of forest ecosystems (e.g. through dedicated support for national parcs)

#### **GOVERNANCE**

Supporting actions to improve governance in various sectors notably by promoting participatory and democratic governance mechanisms through working with civil society organisations, especially women's organisations.

#### **TRANSPORT**

Supporting the extension and environmental upgrading of the Harbour of Pointe-Noire:

- developing environmental standards
- financing the construction of new fishing port infrastructure
- supporting the improvement of maritime vessel monitoring, control, and fishery inspection services



### **DIGITAL**

- **Supporting digital skills trainings** in line with demands on the job market, and setting up national digital skills certification systems
- Promoting **E-governance** as a source to enhance transparency and public services for citizens, and contributing to the development of a regulatory framework for the digital space

# **ENERGY**

Pointe-Noire

- Improving access to electricity in rural areas through innovative renewable energy projects while gradually reducing the use of wood energy and deforestation
- Governance: supporting the development of a regulatory framework that attracts private sector investments and promotes rural electrification based on renewable energies

## **GREEN ECONOMY**

- Agri-value chains: strengthening the private sector notably through trainings and promoting investments in production and processing capacities along priority agri-value chains
- Human capital: professional training to develop skills of the Congolese workforce, integrating notably young people, women, and vulnerable sections of the population, in line with the needs of the private sector in green transition
- Business environment: improving the business climate and economic governance by strengthening the ecosystem to support private sector development
- **Access to finance:** improving access to finance for companies through targeted support, and their access to national and international markets by strengthening the national quality control system

These outputs do not capture the whole of the Team Europe engagement in country. They capture concrete infrastructure investments under Global Gateway. They will be accompanied by soft measures in a 360° approach, so as to improve the policy, regulatory and business environment, develop skills, foster innovation and transfer technology.