



The Head of Environment and Sustainable Agriculture Programmes at the European Union Delegation in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mr Jean-Pierre BUSOGORO, visits the facilities of ERAIFT, a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO.

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On the afternoon of October 18, 2022, ERAIFT was honoured by the visit of Mr. Jean-Pierre BUSOGORO, head of Environment and Sustainable Agriculture Programmes at the European Union Delegation in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo.

Upon arrival at ERAIFT, the interlocutor was received in the Director's office, Mr. Baudouin MICHEL, for discussions on the international governance of the institution and its institutional evolution, its graduate training programme and quality assurance.

After this introduction, our interlocutor visited some of the activities carried out at the site, notably the holding of a continuous training session for COMIFAC decision-makers on the Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and sectoral MTEF, a training session which brought together participants from various Central African countries.

He then met with students of the Master of Forestry Management (TAF), who had just returned from a study trip to the CIB OLAM forest concession in the north of the Republic of Congo, for some courses on sustainable forest management. After exchanges with the students, he said very impressed by the motivation of these future forest resource managers. He then visited the nursery of local forest species for the reforestation of the UNIKIN campus to fight against erosion, before symbolically planting his tree in exchange for his "carbon footprint" (fight against climate change).

This visit ended with some remote sensing demonstrations on climate change scenarios.

ERAIFT sincerely thanks the European Union for its renewed confidence and support for the training of human capital, a guarantee for sustainable management of forest resources.

