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Friday, November 11, at 6:00 pm OIF climate Pavilion

THE GREAT GREEN WALL FOR THE SAHARA AND THE SAHEL, A SOLUTION TO CLIMATE CHANGE







Climate change, land degradation, and biodiversity loss are critical challenges that continue to affect the Sahel, the Horn of Africa, the Sahara, and Southern Africa. In their efforts to adapt and mitigate climate change, Sahelian countries in particular, are promoting the Great Green Wall initiative for the Sahara and Sahel.

At COP27, Sahelian countries will have to increase their efforts to highlight the relevance of financial support for their agricultural systems, which offer solutions to climate change. **The Great Green Wall for the Sahara and Sahel initiative, conceived as a development framework for Africa's drylands**, is an opportunity to promote efficient agriculture that is adapted to climate challenges and with low greenhouse gas emissions. **The Great Green Wall is based on an integrated approach,** aiming to create a mosaic of land use and agricultural production systems through sustainable land management and restoration, natural vegetation regeneration, and water retention and conservation measures.

Through the experiences of field actors and experts, the event proposed by SOS SAHEL and the SGP aims to show that the Great Green Wall is a solution for climate change mitigation and adaptation.

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