

Press pack: Congo Basin Forest Fund project

PRESS PACK - MAY 20, 2009 Biochar project wins major funding for protection of rainforests in Congo

Louvain - Kinshasa, May 20, 2009 – The Biochar Fund and its Congolese partner ADAPEL are pleased to announce that their project to protect tropical rainforests has been selected by the Congo Basin Forest Fund (CBFF). More than 200 organizations answered the CBFF's first call for proposals, but after what it described as "an extremely competitive selection process", only 6 projects were successful.

The Congo Basin Forest Fund is an initiative by the British and Norwegian governments, aimed at protecting the unique tropical rainforests of Central Africa and their biodiversity and ecosystem services. The fund is presided by Nobel Peace Laureate Wangari Maathai. This fund has now awarded ADAPEL and Biochar Fund 300,000 euros (US\$ 407,000) for their project.

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