



Press release

Workshop on Capacity Building and Support to Peace Processes in DRC and the Region

Kinshasa, 12 December 2025 – The Secretariat of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) launched, on Friday 12 December 2025 in Kinshasa, a capacity-building workshop for mediators, experts, and stakeholders involved in peace processes in the DRC and the region.

Held from 12 to 13 December 2025, the workshop sought to further professionalize national mediation expertise, enhance understanding of regional peace frameworks, and support ongoing efforts toward consolidating stability in the Great Lakes Region.

The opening ceremony was presided by Mr. Gérard Mulimbi, Chief of Staff and Representative of the Minister of Regional Integration of the DRC, H.E. Floribert Anzuluni Isiloketshi. He was joined by Amb. Yasir Ibrahim Ali Mohammed the ICGLR Deputy Executive Secretary, and Amb. Chrispin Kakhozi Bin Bulongo the Deputy National Coordinator of the ICGLR in the DRC.

The workshop focused on peacebuilding efforts, the role of insider mediators, the contribution of community actors, regional experience-sharing, reconciliation challenges, and review of the ongoing regional peace processes. A key highlight of the event was the official launch of the Community of Practice for Mediation Professionals in the Great Lakes Region.

This workshop is part of the ICGLR's renewed commitment to supporting national and regional mediation initiatives, strengthening practitioner networks, and promoting a coordinated regional approach to sustainable peace and stability. ICGLR appreciates the fruitful participation of ICGLR member States in the workshop and thanks the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Bujumbura and ICGLR partners for the support provided.

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