

# INTERNATIONAL BIODIVERSITY DAY 2019/GYBN-CONGO

## CHAPTER

For CYBN, we had a sensitizing campaign with primary school children. The topic was *“The role of Congolese Youth in Biodiversity protection”*. The activity was held in Kisangani (DRC).

It was organized by the GYBN-Congo in partnership with Tunza Eco-Generation and CoalitionWILD. The total attendance was about 78 persons, including CYBN Staff members and school pupils from 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> primary school.

The objective was to celebrate with other GYBN chapters worldwide the International Day of Biodiversity while sensitizing the young people on the role that they have to play, to protect and to preserve resources of our earth.

Why the children? As a Global Youth Biodiversity Network Chapter, we have the heavy responsibility as youngster to take at heart the relative problems to the degradation of our biodiversity.

It is within this framework of idea that a conference was organized with the following topics

- What is biodiversity?
- What is the importance of biodiversity (Referring to the theme of the day)?
- What contribution can youth make in protecting and preserving biodiversity?

As the theme of the day was " Our biodiversity, Our Food, our Health ", it was imperious that the young people understand what is importance of biodiversity to supply food and other services to the humanity.

Several questions were asked to participants:

- What would we eat if the whole biodiversity come to disappear?
- What will the health of the humanity if all disappeared?

Biodiversity is our lifestyle !