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Marine Gauthier is an expert in REDD+ and stakeholder engagement based in Paris. She has been collaborating with UN agencies, international NGOs, and civil society organizations for 9 years, and has been working in DRC since 2012 together with local communities and indigenous peoples on rights-based forest governance. She has extensive field experience in Asia, Central Africa and South America reporting on environmental and human rights issues and providing support to civil society's advocacy work. Her research, analysis and ground work on participatory governance, civil society, climate negotiations, indigenous peoples, minorities and land rights have led to several publications in France, Norway, the UK and Italy.

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**Andy White**

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Alain is the Director of the Strategic Analysis and Global Engagement program with 15 years of experience in development assistance related to organizational and program monitoring, evaluation and performance management, and over 20 years of service in areas related to natural resource management, biodiversity conservation, and climate change. Alain began his career with state and provincial forest and protected area agencies in the United States and Canada before pursuing strategic consultancies with multilateral organizations, development agencies, and NGOs such as IUCN, IDRC, the World Bank and various UN institutions across Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Alain joined the Rights and Resources Initiative in 2015 and leads the Rights and Climate program and provides technical guidance and support for the development of RRI's performance management system, the International Land and Forest Tenure Facility, and the Strategic Analysis and Global Engagement unit. He has an undergraduate degree in environmental biology (forestry major) and a master's in educational leadership from McGill University, as well as a PhD in environmental sciences (forest governance) from the University of Quebec in Montreal.