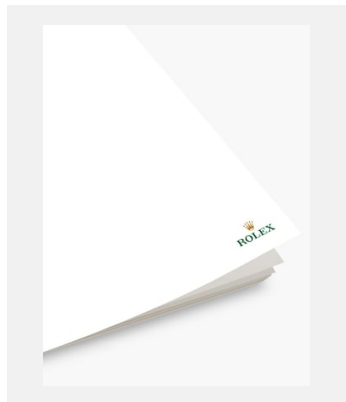


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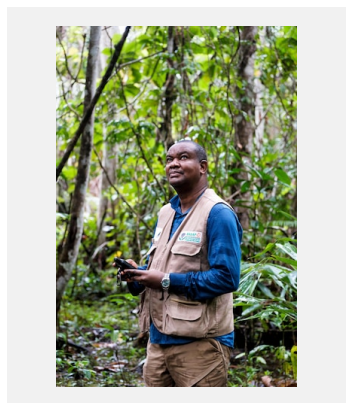


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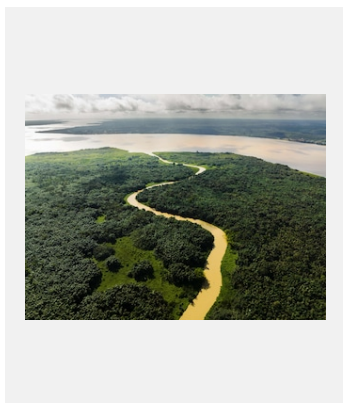
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest. Koné has been Director-General of the Centre Suisse de Recherches Scientifiques in Côte d'Ivoire since 2018, where part of his role is to help protect and study endangered primates.

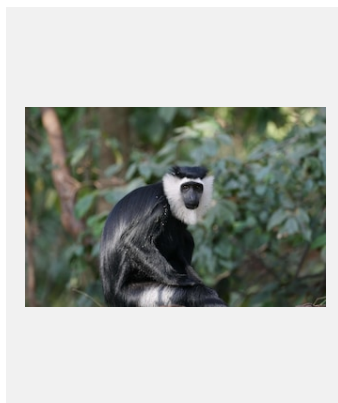
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An aerial view of the Tanoé River meeting the Ehy Lagoon in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire.

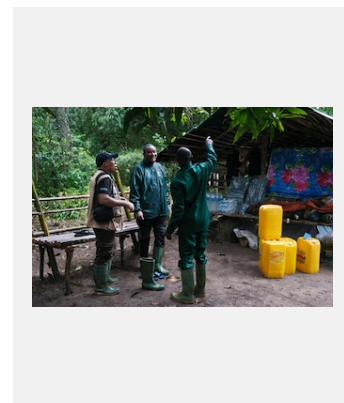
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A white-thighed colobus, one of the world's 25 most endangered primate species. The species is endemic to West Africa, meaning the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in Côte d'Ivoire is one of the last remaining places they can be found in the wild.

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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné (centre), primatologist André Koffi (left) and head guide and former poacher Kouame N'Drama (right), at Camp Kouamtchi, a research base in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire. The camp is named after N'Drama and is his former poaching outpost.

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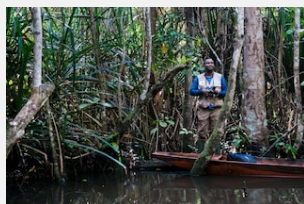
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire. Koné was the first primatologist from Côte d'Ivoire and one of the first in Africa.

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Inza Koné standing in a pirogue, or dugout canoe, in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire. Koné and his team use the small boats during the rainy season, when the water level is too high to navigate the forest on foot.

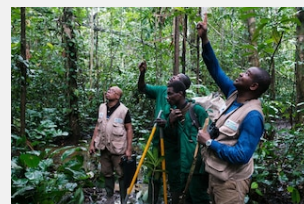
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Mike Miankweku, a forest guide and member of Inza Koné's team, ascending a tree to install a camera trap in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire.

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Primatologist André Koffi, field research co-ordinator Ernest Konan, forest guide Mike Miankweku, and Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné examining a tree to determine the safest place to affix a rope for Miankweku to scale and install a camera trap.

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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné and fellow primatologist André Koffi looking at camera trap footage at Camp Kouamtchi in the Tanoé-Ehy forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire.

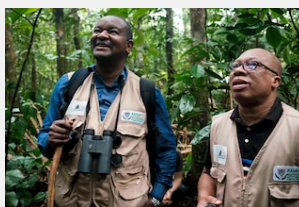
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The Tanoé-Ehy Forest is an important area for primate conservation in Côte d'Ivoire, West Africa. The 11,000-hectare is the last refuge of four of the most endangered primates in the region and may be home to a species of monkey thought to be extinct.

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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné and fellow primatologist André Koffi watching as the team prepare to scale a tree and install a camera trap. This is an important method they use to monitor wildlife in the forest.

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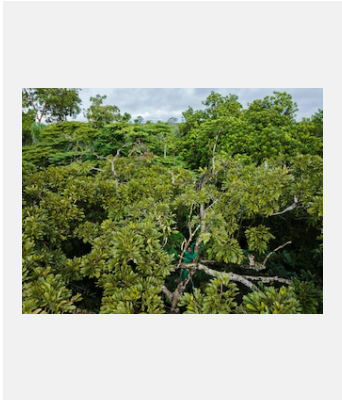
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné watches as fellow primatologist André Koffi completes a camera trap check form, including making a note of its GPS coordinates.

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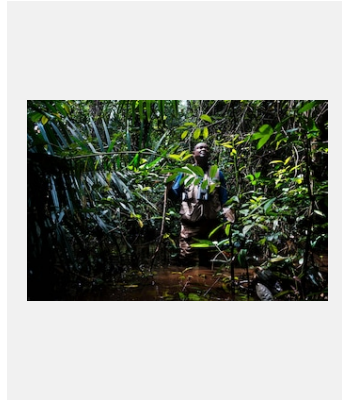
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Mike Miankweku installing a camera trap in the canopy of the Tanoé-Ehy Forest, one of the largest remaining primary forests in Côte d'Ivoire. Camera traps allow the team to observe even the most elusive animals in the forest, which includes four of the region's most endangered primates.

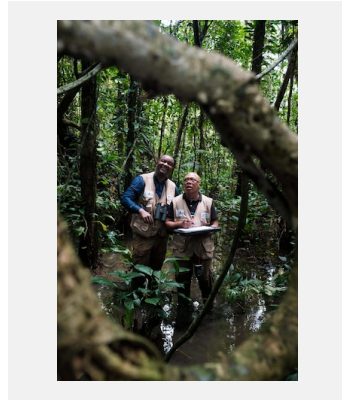
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest. The vast, 11,000-hectare forest is home to at least 33 endemic plant species, 19 threatened bird species, and 10 endemic amphibian species, as well as nine species of primate.

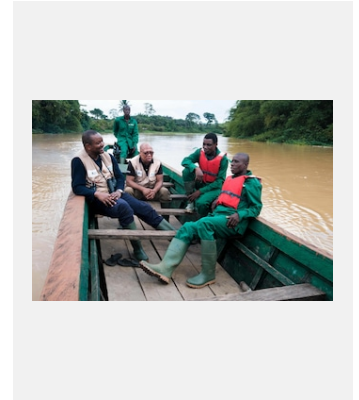
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné and fellow primatologist André Koffi, framed by a liana. These vines are perfect for primates as they help to link trees together, providing them an easy route through the canopy.

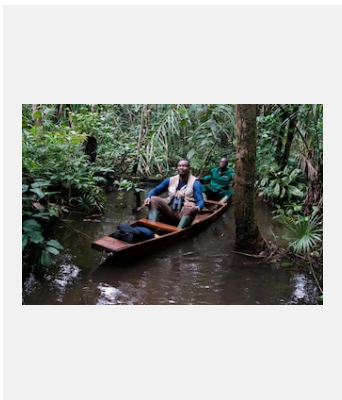
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné with his team on the Tanoé River. Part of the river's 400 kilometre journey takes it through the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in Côte d'Ivoire.

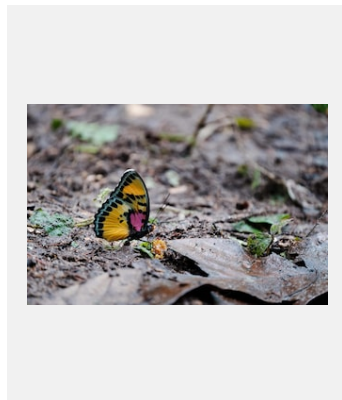
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné and his head guide, former poacher Kouame N'Drama, navigating the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in a pirogue. During the rainy season, the water level in the forest rises, and navigating the vast swamp requires either pirogues or wading through chest-deep water.

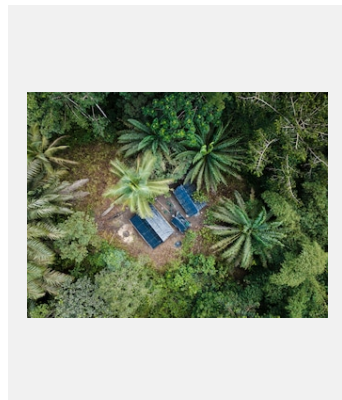
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A butterfly in the Tanoé-Ehy Forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire, an area that harbours 274 bird species, 39 amphibian species, and 300 plant species, many of which are endemic and/or of conservation concern.

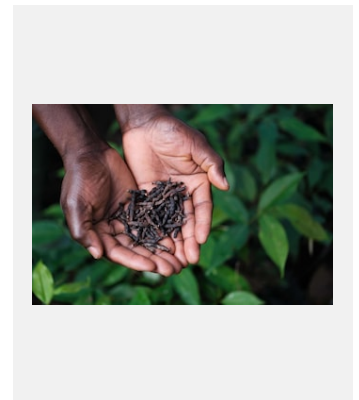
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné and some of his team standing in a circle at Camp Kouamitchi, one of their research camps, in the Tanoé-Ehy forest in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire.

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Ernest Konan holds grains of Selim, which are believed to have medicinal properties. Forest plants with medicinal or culinary uses are grown in plant nurseries and distributed to residents of the area so that they can use the cultivated plants for their needs rather than going into the Tanoé-Ehy Forest.

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Freddy Gndet and Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné in front of the plant nursery at the Centre Suisse de Recherches Scientifiques (CSRS) research station in the village of Dohouan in southeastern Côte d'Ivoire.

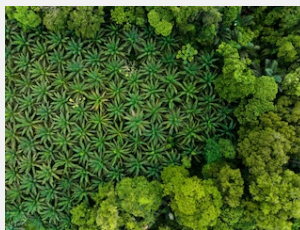
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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné and Freddy Gndet, who is responsible for the plant nursery at the Centre Suisse de Recherches Scientifiques (CSRS) research station in the village of Dohouan in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire.

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An aerial view over an oil palm plantation cut into the Tanoé-Ehy Forest, in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire. Palm oil production is a major cause of deforestation in the region.

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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné (centre) during a conservation strategy workshop with colleagues and local stakeholders at the Centre Suisse de Recherches Scientifiques (CSRS) research station in the village of Dohouan in south-eastern Côte d'Ivoire.

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Rolex Awards for Enterprise Laureate Inza Koné in his office at the Centre Suisse de Recherches Scientifiques (CSRS) in Adiopodoumé, Côte d'Ivoire.

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