## Emerging Landcare in Africa Award – anti-erosion control in the outlying districts of the city of Bukavu, Democratic Republic of Congo

Local NGO GIERI: Intervention's Group for Guide and Integral Rehabilitation, were awarded the Emerging Award for embracing Landcare principles. GIERI mobilised the community within the catchment of Lake Kivu to address issues of land degradation caused by deforestation for firewood and construction materials. Despite operating in a high-risk environment plagued by rebels, the community dreams of the role of agroforestry in restoring their soils and protecting their land to attract youth into farming rather than warfare.



Patrick Kaka representing GIERI from the Democratic Republic of Congo with the Emerging Landcare in Africa Award