

Announcement

WORKSHOP ON FOREST GOVERNANCE AND DECENTRALIZATION IN AFRICA a South African-Swiss Country-Led Initiative (CLI) in support of the UN Forum on Forests

8-11 April 2008
Durban, South Africa

At the closing plenary of UNFF 7 the Governments of South Africa and Switzerland announced a country-led initiative in support of the UNFF, the Workshop on Forest Governance and Decentralization in Africa. The event will take place in Durban, South Africa, from 8-11 April, 2008.

Governance issues are of fundamental importance to sustainable forest management, the core objective of UNFF. Background, expected outcomes, and the workshop program as well as the themes of the initiative are described in detail in this flyer (to be linked on the website)

The initiative will be co-sponsored by South Africa, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, Norway, the United States of America, and Germany. Technical support is provided by the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) and INTERCOOPERATION a Foundation for Development and International Cooperation based in Switzerland.

South Africa and Switzerland hope that the Workshop on Forest Governance and Decentralization in Africa will become an early landmark in the work of the UNFF.

Date: 8-11 April 2008

Place: International Convention Centre, Durban, South Africa

Title: Workshop on Forest Governance and Decentralization in Africa, a South African-Swiss Country-Led Initiative (CLI) in Support of the UN Forum on Forests

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