Programme of meetings

Tuesday, 16 April 2013

Economic and Social Council
United Nations Forum on Forests
Tenth session

Plenary meeting

10:00 12th meeting [webcast] Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

Anadolu Hall

1. Forum Trust Fund (E/CN.18/2013/13) [item 10]
   Introduction of the report

2. Briefing by the Secretariat on budgetary and legal matters

Parallel Working Groups

Morning¹ to 13:00 5th meeting Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

Anadolu Hall

Working Group 1:

Co-Chairs:
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Ms. Anna Masinja, Vice-Chair (Zambia)

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¹Immediately following the adjournment of the 12th plenary meeting of the Forum.
3. Forests and economic development (E/CN.18/2013/4 and E/CN.18/2013/5) [item 5]
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   (b) National forest programmes and other sectoral policies and strategies
   (c) Reducing risks and impacts of disasters
   (d) Benefits of forests and trees to urban communities

4. Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (E/CN.18/2013/8, E/CN.18/2013/9 and E/CN.18/2013/10) [item 8]

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Room Rumeli A

Working Group 2:

Co-Chairs:
Mr. Šrećko Juričić, Vice-Chair (Croatia)
Mr. Saiful Azam Martinus Abdullah, Vice-Chair (Malaysia)

1. Emerging issues (E/CN.18/2013/6) [item 6]

2. Means of implementation for sustainable forest management (E/CN.18/2013/11 and E/CN.18/2013/12) [item 9]

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15:00 to 18:00 6th meeting  Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre
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Other meetings

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Group of 77
08.30 to 10:00 Closed meeting Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre Room Rumeli C

Group of 77 (on the tenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests)
13:15 to 14:45 Closed meeting Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre Room Rumeli C

African Group (informal consultations)
09:00 to 09:45 Closed meeting Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre Room Topkapi A

JUSCANZ Group
09:00 to 09:45 Closed meeting Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre Room Sultan 1
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3rd meeting Working Group 1
The Co-Chair (Zambia) made a statement, in the course of which she introduced the draft resolution of the Working Group under agenda items 3, 4, 5 sub-items (a) through (d) and item 8.

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Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests [item 8]

General comments
In the ensuing discussion, statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), the Plurinational State of Bolivia, the United States, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guatemala, Turkey, Argentina, Lesotho and Brazil.

Organization of work
Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Indonesia (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Colombia and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Zambia).

A statement was also made by the Secretary of the Forum.

3rd meeting Working Group 2
The Co-Chair (Malaysia) presented the draft resolution prepared on the basis of discussions under agenda item 6 (Emerging Issues) and item 9 (Means of implementation for sustainable forest management).
Emerging issues [item 6]

General comments

Statements were made by the representatives of Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union, the United States, Japan, Brazil, Switzerland, Cuba, New Zealand, Ecuador, Guinea, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia and China.

Means of implementation for sustainable forest management [item 9]

General comments

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Cameroon, the European Union, the United States, Japan, Brazil, Senegal, New Zealand, South Africa, Cuba, Argentina, Papua New Guinea, Togo, Jamaica, Canada, Namibia, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Ecuador.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Non-Governmental Organizations Major Group.

First reading

A statement of clarification was provided by the representative of the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Switzerland, the European Union, the United States, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia and Japan.

Organization of work

Statements on the methods of work of the Working Group were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United States, Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Brazil and the European Union.

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Malaysia).

A statement was also made by the Secretary.

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4th meeting

Working Group 1

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For the discussion on operative paragraph 1 and sub-paragraphs (a) through (g) of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland, Kenya (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Grenada, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Argentina.

For the discussion on the preambular paragraphs of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Kenya (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States and Turkey.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Israel).

A statement was also made by the Secretary of the Forum.

4th meeting

Working Group 2

Emerging issues [item 6]

Means of implementation for sustainable forest management [item 9]

Continuation of the first reading

Statements were made by the representatives of the European Union, the United States, Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Switzerland, Japan, New Zealand and Turkey.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Croatia).

A statement was also made by the Secretary.

General information

A note by the Secretariat with detailed information for participants is contained in document E/CN.18/2013/INF/1.

Information for DESA-funded meeting participants

Please be advised that the current Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) Rate for Istanbul is US$ 250. DSA can be collected at the UNFF10 Disbursement Office, located in the Galata Hall, Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The Disbursement Office is open to collect the following documentation: (a) Passports; (b) Air tickets/itineraries confirming outbound flights; and (c) Boarding passes. The schedule is the following:

Days of operation: Monday to Friday (8–12 and 15–19 April 2013);

Document drop-off: from 08:30 to 17:30; and

Next-day DSA collection: from 10:30 to 16:00.

Delegates and participants who submit all required documents by 15:00 can collect DSA payments the following day, beginning at 10:30. Those who submit all required documents past 15:00 may not be able to collect DSA payments the following day.
Ministers who are unable to present their documents and collect DSA in person may complete a waiver form available at the Disbursement Office. Kindly inquire for details.

Government representatives attending the full duration of the session of the Forum will receive DSA payments in two installments: 60 per cent of entitlement during the first week; and the balance on or after Wednesday, 17 April 2013.

Documentation

For documentation and further information on the tenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests, including the UNFF Journal, please visit the following website: www.un.org/esa/forests/.

List of side events

To consult the list of side events on the occasion of the tenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forest, please visit http://bit.ly/Zirr4m.

List of participants

Delegations who have not yet communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat of the Forum, are requested to do so, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Forum for inclusion in the list of participants (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), with a copy to the Protocol and Liaison Service for accreditation purposes (fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Registration

For information on registration of participants, please visit the following website: www.un.org/esa/forests/session-access.

Major groups

Major groups organizations that are accredited with the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Sustainable Development are encouraged to attend the session. Information on participation is available at www.un.org/esa/forests/participation. Online registration is available at http://esango.un.org/irene/.

Travel and accommodation arrangements

Delegations wishing to attend the session are requested to contact directly, as soon as possible, the nearest Turkish consulate or embassy for information on visa and customs regulations. Delegations are also requested to make arrangements for accommodations through the host country’s hotel bookings website at http://dekon.com.tr/unff10/en/.

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