Programme of meetings

Wednesday, 17 April 2013

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests
Tenth session

10:00 to 13:00 7th meeting
Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre
Anadolu Hall

Working Group 1:

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Ms. Shuli Davidovich, Vice-Chair (Israel)
Ms. Anna Masinja, Vice-Chair (Zambia)

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11:00 to 13:00  7th meeting  Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Working Group 2:**

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

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**Parallel Working Groups**

15:00 to 18:00  8th meeting  Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Anadolu Hall**

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**Other meetings**

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**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*

**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*

13:15 to 14:45 Closed meeting

Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

*Room Sultan 2*

18:00 to 20:00 Closed meeting

Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre

*Room Rumeli C*

18:00 to 20:00 Closed meeting

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*Room Sultan 2*
Forthcoming official meetings

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Plenary meeting

17:00 to 18:00 13th meeting Lütfi Kirdar Convention and Exhibition Centre
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**Plenary meeting**

12th meeting  *Forum Trust Fund* [item 10]

Following a statement by the Chair (Ecuador), the Director of the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat introduced the note by the Secretariat under the item.

The Executive Officer of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs briefed the Forum on budgetary matters.

The representative of the Office of Legal Affairs briefed the Forum on legal matters.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya, Japan, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding country Croatia), Switzerland, the United States and Fiji (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Executive Officer of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the representative of the Office of Legal Affairs responded to comments made and questions posed by delegations.

*Organization of work*

A statement was made by the Chair.

**Parallel Working Groups**

5th meeting  *Working Group 1*

*Organization of work*

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

5th 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, New Zealand, Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Japan, Guatemala, South Africa, Cameroon, Switzerland, Canada, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Gabon, Norway, China, Cuba and Ecuador.

*Organization of work*

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

A statement was also made by the Secretary.
Parallel Working Groups

6th meeting

**Working Group 1**

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**Continuation and conclusion of the first reading**

Following a statement by the Co-Chair (Zambia), 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 United States, Turkey, Switzerland and Japan.

The representative of the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat provided clarifications.

**Organization of work**

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Ireland (on behalf of the European Union).

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

6th meeting

**Working Group 2**

*Emerging issues* [item 6]

*Means of implementation for sustainable forest management* [item 9]

*Forum Trust Fund* [item 10]

**Continuation and conclusion of the first reading**

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

**Organization of work**

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

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Malaysia), appointing the representatives of New Zealand and South Africa as co-facilitators of a new Contact Group on the text relating to the Open-ended Intergovernmental Ad Hoc Expert Group on Forest Financing.

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

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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 today, 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 alejandrina@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/.