



**Revised composite draft text  
for developing a non-legally  
binding instrument on  
all types of forests**

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**Countries and Regional Groups  
Providing Proposals on the Draft  
Indicative Elements for a NLBI**



1. African Group
2. Association of Southeast Asian Nations
3. Australia (2)
4. Brazil (2)
5. Canada
6. Colombia
7. European Union (2)
8. Indonesia
9. Japan
10. Pakistan
11. South Africa
12. Switzerland
13. United States of America (2)
14. Zimbabwe



**Countries Providing Comments on  
The Proposals Submitted**



1. Australia
2. Colombia
3. Indonesia
4. New Zealand
5. Pakistan
6. Republic of Korea
7. Switzerland



**Points Regarding Preparation of the First  
Draft Text of the Instrument Considered by  
the Ad Hoc Expert Group (December 2006)**



- The composite text was based on proposals and comments provided by member States and regional groups.
- Attributions were used to indicate countries and/or regional groups proposing or supporting the inclusion of text
- ECOSOC Resolution 2006/49 was the basis for many of the proposals.
- 50% (3,764 words) of the text was taken from previously agreed negotiated language.




**Countries and Regional Groups whose  
Experts Provided Proposals on the Structure  
of the NLBI Composite Draft Text at the AHEG**




1. Australia
2. African Group
3. Brazil
4. Chile
5. China
6. European Union
7. Islamic Republic of Iran
8. Mauritania
9. Mexico
10. New Zealand
11. Norway
12. Senegal
13. United States of America




**Points Regarding the Preparation of the  
Revised Composite Draft Text of the  
Instrument for Consideration of UNFF 7**




- As requested by the AHEG, the composite draft text was revised by the Bureau with support from the UNFF Secretariat (see Annex 1 of the Report of the AHEG).
- The entire draft instrument, with the exception of the preambular paragraphs, was discussed by the AHEG.
- The structure of the draft instrument was reduced from XXI to XVI sections.
- Section V brings together the bulk of national policies and measures.
- International cooperation has been synthesized under Section XI: Relationship to other instruments.





### Points Regarding the Preparation of the Revised Composite Draft Text of the Instrument for Consideration of UNFF 7



- Articulation of SFM and the 7 thematic elements of SFM immediately follows Principles and use of terms, Purpose and Global Objectives on Forests.
- With the new structure and revisions, the NLBI now reads better and more smoothly.
- Attributions have been deleted from the revised composite draft text.
- Numbering of paragraphs in the revised composite draft text is different from earlier versions.
- At the end of each paragraph of the revised composite draft text, within square brackets, is the initial number of the paragraph as listed in Annex 1 of the Report of the AHEG.




### Points Regarding the Preparation of the Revised Composite Draft Text of the Instrument for Consideration of UNFF 7




- Nearly 40% (2,900 out of 7,740 words) of the text of the revised draft instrument is taken from previously agreed negotiated language.
- The 76 footnotes in the draft text provide the source of the agreed negotiated language.
- For ease of reference, agreed negotiated language appears in *italics*.
- With the exception of headings, new text proposed by experts in the AHEG meeting and subsequently by the Bureau is in **bold**.




### Sections with most agreed negotiated text



- Preamble
- III. Global Objectives on Forests
- V. National policies and measures
- VII. Means of implementation and international cooperation
- X. Monitoring, assessment and reporting
- XI. Relationship to other instruments



### Revised composite draft text (E/CN.18/2007/3)




III. Global objectives on forests


**4. Member/subscribing/participating States reaffirm the following shared global objectives on forests and the intention to work globally, regionally and nationally to achieve progress towards their achievements by 2015:** [see previous para. 6 bis]

*Global objective 1*  
*Reverse the loss of forest cover worldwide through sustainable forest management, including protection, restoration, afforestation and reforestation, and increase efforts to prevent forest degradation.\**

\* ECOSOC resolution 2000/35, para. 3.



### Report of AHEG: Annex I (E/CN.18/AC.1/2006/4)



III. Global objectives on forests

6 bis. Member/subscribing/participating States reaffirm the following shared global objectives on forests and the intention to work globally, regionally and nationally to achieve progress towards their achievements by 2015: [EU, USA, NOR, CHE, NZL, CRI, MEX]



# Thank you

