



**Implementation of the UN Strategic Plan
for Forests 2017-2030**

**Note by the Secretariat
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Main Scope - Note by the Secretariat

The Note by the Secretariat contains information to enable the Forum to:

- Hold policy dialogue and provide its input to the 2018 HLPF,
- Be informed of voluntary announcement of the Voluntary National Contributions,
- Consider the draft communication and outreach strategy of the UNSPF

UNFF13 Policy Dialogue – Input to HLPF2018

- 2018 HLPF theme: “Transformation towards Sustainable and Resilient Societies”
- 2018 HLPF reviews SDGs 6, 7, 11, 12, 15 and 17
- 2018 IDF theme: Forests and sustainable cities



Intersessional Activities: Forum’s Input to HLPF2018

- Inputs submitted by Member States and organizations
- Four background analytical studies
 - Forest Ecosystem Services (SDG15)
 - Forests and Water (SDG6)
 - Forests and Energy (SDG7)
 - Consumption and Production of Forest Products (SDG12)
- CPF International Conference “Working across Sectors to Halt Deforestation and Increase Forest Area”



UNFF13 Policy Dialogue – Forum’s Input to HLPF2018

Chair’s summary of:

- Ministerial Roundtable on Forest-based solutions for accelerating achievement of the SDGs,
- Tuesday morning plenary discussion (presentations of analytical studies, outcome of the CPF International Conference ...)



Voluntary national contributions to UNSPF

- National actions & commitments to achieve 6 Global Forest Goals and 26 associated targets
- May include national actions and targets related to SDGs, Aichi Targets, Paris Agreement
- Ecuador, Ghana, Guatemala, Jamaica and Liberia have already communicated their VNCs, several more to announce VNCs this morning



UNSPF Communication and outreach Strategy

- UNFF13 to consider the Communication & Outreach Strategy of the UNSPF
- Through intersessional activities, a draft strategy was prepared
- The draft is contained as an annex to the Secretariat Note
- UNFF13 will discuss it Tuesday 8 May afternoon



**Thank you for
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