

We agree with the table of contents that is proposed in the “Elements” document.

We like that under the Heading of Implementation Framework attention is being paid to

Overarching principles human rights, partnerships, empowerment of women and girls and fight against poverty.

We suggest the following elements should be incorporated:

With a view to improving coherence and consistency between the IAF and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as with multilateral forest-related agreements [in line with the UNFF 11 resolution, para. 34] the EU and its Member States emphasise that the cross-cutting issues of the 2030 Agenda need to be cross-cutting in the SP and the quadrennial programmes of work as well. For example, climate change, human rights, gender equality, empowerment of women and girls and poverty should be taken into account when implementing the SP and the quadrennial programmes of work.

In addition, tenure questions, issues related to the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, deforestation free supply chains, public welfare services and partnerships should be taken into account in the strategic plan.