

## **Provisional Organization of Work**

## Expert Meeting on Enhancing Regional and Sub-Regional Involvement in the Work of the International Arrangement on Forests\*



Tehran, Iran, 26-28 September 2016

Time	Monday 26 September	Tuesday 27 September	Wednesday 28 September
10:00 10:30	Opening Session: remarks by ECO and UNFF Secretariats     Remarks by the Facilitator	Summary of Day 1  Discussion: Advancing Implementation of the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the IAF Strategic Plan	Summary of Day 2  Discussion: Identification of proposed actions on enhancing regional and sub-regional involvement in the work of the IAF
	<ul> <li>Organizational matters:         <ul> <li>Adoption of provisional organization of work</li> <li>Introduction of participants</li> </ul> </li> <li>Morning Break (10:00-10:30)</li> <li>Discussion: The International Arrangement on Forests post-2015</li> <li>Presentation by UNFF Secretariat on:         <ul> <li>Major developments on forests; 2030 Agenda, UNFF11 resolution, and Paris Agreement;</li> <li>The evolution of regional/sub-regional cooperation within UNFF;</li> <li>IAF Strategic Plan; an integrated and comprehensive action plan on forests.</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul> <li>How to enhance collaboration of the Forum and regional and sub-regional organisations in implementing forest-related SDGs and reporting to the HLPF (paragraphs 27, and 34 to 37 UNFF11 resolution);</li> <li>How to promote collaboration of the Forum and regional and sub-regional organisations in implementing the IAF Strategic Plan, including on the implementation of the UNFI (paragraph 25 and 36 of UNFF11 resolution);</li> <li>What can be done by the Forum to support regional and sub-regional organisations in their implementation</li> </ul>	(Interactive discussions)
		of forest-related activities and programmes  Morning Break (1030 – 11:00)	Morning Break (10:30 – 11:00)
		Continued from morning session	Continued from morning session
12:30	Lunch (12:30 – 13:30)	Lunch (12:30 – 13:30)	Lunch (12:30 – 13:30)
13:30	Discussion: Forests at the regional and sub-regional levels  • Presentations by participants on: - Forest related activities/programmes of the respective regional and sub-regional organizations and processes - Past experience in collaborating with the UNFF, including on implementation of the UNFI;  (Interactive discussions)	Discussion: Enhancing engagement of regional and sub-regional organisations in the work of the IAF  Improving the input of regional and sub-regional organisations to the UNFF (suggestions on the modalities of engagement and type of input to UNFF sessions)  Regional and sub-regional organisations and the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network (GFFFN)	The way forward: Endorsement of proposed actions on enhancing regional and sub-regional involvement in the work of the IAF for inclusion in the IAF Strategic Plan  Conclusion of meeting: Closing remarks by ECO Secretariat Closing remarks by UNFF Secretariat
15:00	Afternoon break (15:00 – 15:30)	Afternoon break (15:00 – 15:30)	Afternoon break (15:00 – 15:30)
15:30 - 17:00	Continued from afternoon session	Continued from afternoon session	

<sup>\*</sup> UNFF11 resolution (E/RES/2015/33), in particular, paragraphs 1c, 2, 6b, 6g (i), 13, 25, 26, 27, 28, 34, 35, 36, and 37 provide the context for the discussions during the meeting.