



Collaborative Partnership on Forests Working Group on CPF Work Plan 2021-2024

Meeting report

24 November 2020 at 13:30h CET/7:30h EST
via Microsoft Teams

In Attendance

FAO:	Hiroto Mitsugi	GEF:	Ulrich Apel
	Mette Wilkie		Teayeon Kim
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Members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) Working Group on the CPF Work Plan 2021-2024 met virtually on 24 November 2020.

1. Introduction of options for the structure of the work plan

The Chair of the Working Group introduced his proposal for the template/structure of the work plan 2021-2024 prepared based on views and suggestions provided by members at its first meeting held in October 2020, outlining the three possible options for the skeleton/backbone structure of the work plan and annotations for sections and subsections.

2. Discussion

Members expressed their general support to the proposed possible options, particularly option 1 and 3 with modifications, and provided their views and suggestions regarding the proposed structure of the work plan. Main suggestions provided by members included: streamlining of the structure and components to the extent possible to facilitate the planning and reporting of the CPF activities, including the clarification of terms used in the proposal such as “operational/strategic activities of the CPF”; inclusion of information regarding how CPF responds to the invitations and guidance of the UNFF and other CPF governing bodies through its joint activities and their progress; avoiding duplication of structure and contents of the work plan, as well as duplication of reporting on the progress made in its implementation; clarifications of linkages between the Joint Initiatives and strategic documents of the CPF; and inclusion of budgetary information of the Joint Initiatives to show their financial status and gaps.

Members also explored possible ways to balance the static part of the work plan with the remaining parts to facilitate reporting on the progress made on the implementation of the work plan, noting the need to regularly update relevant parts of the work plan to respond to the invitations and guidance of the governing bodies of the CPF members.

3. Next steps

The Chair of the Working Group will further revise the draft template/structure based on suggestions made by its members for members’ review. Members noted the possibility to hold an additional meeting of the working group to finalize the draft template/structure as and when necessary.

Key actions to be taken:

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- The Chair of the Working Group in consultation with the CPF Chair and the Secretariat will further revise the draft template/structure of the CPF work plan for 2021-2024 for members' review based on suggestions made during the meeting;
- Members will review the revised draft template/structure and provide further suggestions. Based on members' suggestions, the Chair of the Working Group in consultation with the CPF Chair and the Secretariat will finalize the draft template/structure and share with the CPF members.
