



Friends of the CPF Meeting at UNFF17

10 May 2022

1:30-3:00pm EDT, virtual format

Friends of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests Meeting

The Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) will organize the meeting of the Friends of the CPF to enhance the exchange between Members States and the CPF member organizations.

Background information

The CPF is an innovative, voluntary inter-agency partnership of 15 international organizations, institutions and secretariats with substantial programmes on forests. Per ECOSOC resolution 2015/33, the core functions of the CPF are:

- (a) To support the work of the Forum and its member countries;
- (b) To provide scientific and technical advice to the Forum, including on emerging issues;
- (c) To enhance coherence as well as policy and programme cooperation and coordination at all levels among its member organizations, including through joint programming and the submission of coordinated proposals to their respective governing bodies, consistent with their mandates; and
- (d) To promote the implementation of the UN Forest Instrument and UN Strategic Plan for Forests, as well as the contribution of forests to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The vision of the CPF is that "by 2030 all types of forests and forest landscapes are sustainably managed, their multiple values are fully recognized, the potential of forests and their goods and services is fully unlocked, and the Global Forest Goals, the Sustainable Development Goals and other global forest-related goals, targets and commitments are achieved." To support countries achieve these aims, CPF members work together on forest issues to help move from deforestation to restoration.

Objectives of the meeting

The meeting will be held to provide further information and build better understanding about the ongoing work of the CPF and receive informal feedback from the Member States. The meeting will also offer an opportunity to identify next steps to be taken regarding Member States' engagement and contributions to the CPF's work.

In this respect, the objectives of the meeting are to:

- Provide an informal setting for Members States to interact with the CPF and its members on the ongoing work;
- Exchange information on the midterm review of the International Arrangement on Forests related to the CPF;
- CPF to present its work plan 2021-2024, and in this context, CPF members to present their flagship initiatives and priorities for 2022;
- Invite Member States to reflect on the above with a view to their engagement, contribution and collaboration in order to further strengthen CPF's activities to best support Member States in scaling up their actions on their forest-related commitments.

Format of the meeting

The Friends of the CPF informal meeting will be held as a virtual meeting.

The meeting will be open to all Member States.

As several CPF members will participate in UNFF17 in person, thus there will be a possibility to follow up informally at the margins of the session.

Agenda of the meeting

1. Welcome by the Chair/Vice Chair (5 min)
2. Short report on the CPF activities in 2021-2022 (5 min)
Q&A (5 min)
3. Updates on preparations for the IAF midterm review related to the CPF (5 min)
Q&A (5 min)
4. Presentation of selected JI (30 min)
 - a. Turning the tide on deforestation
 - b. Streamlining global forest-related reporting
 - c. Global Forest Expert Panels
 - d. Sustainable wood for a sustainable world
 - e. Forest education
 - f. Forest fires
 - g. Green Finance for Sustainable LandscapeDiscussion (30 min)
5. Summary and next steps by the Chair (5 min)

Registration for participation

The representatives of Member States are invited to register their participation through the weblink below:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=2zWeD09UYE-9zF6kFubccM_qScptTp5FuWDDr4exvkBURjFLQ09QVldERzNXWUdUQ1lGQ0xXRVEyQi4u

Due to security reasons, only registered participants will be permitted to the virtual meeting platform.

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