



Date / Time	MONDAY 8 May 2023 (CR 4)	TUESDAY 9 May 2023 (CR 4)	WEDNESDAY 10 May 2023 (CR 4)	THURSDAY 11 May 2023 (CR 4)	FRIDAY 12 May 2023 (CR 4) ***
10am-1pm	<p>Opening statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UNFF18 Chair</li> <li>- ECOSOC President</li> <li>- USG, DESA</li> </ul> <p><b>Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/CN.18/2023/1)</b></p> <p><b>Item 1. Election of officers</b></p> <p><b>Item 3: Technical Discussions on the implementation of the UN Strategic Plan for Forests (UNSPF)</b></p> <p><b>Item 5: Emerging issues</b></p> <p>Introduction of the Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/2) <i>(General discussion on item 3 &amp; 5)</i></p>	<p><b>Item 3 (a) Thematic priorities for 2023-2024 biennium, in support of the implementation of the UNSPF</b></p> <p><b>Item 3(d). Interlinkages between the Global Forest Goals and targets and the Sustainable Development Goals under review by the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development in 2023, the work towards Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and other international forest-related developments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation of the background papers on the thematic priorities (under item 3(a)) to be followed by brief Qs &amp; As</li> <li>- Update by CBD on the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (under item 3(d) to be followed by brief Qs &amp; As)</li> <li>- Panel discussion on items 3 (a) &amp; 3 (d), to be followed by interactive discussions</li> </ul>	<p><b>Item 3 (f). Means of implementation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/4) <i>(General discussion on Item 3 (f))</i></li> <li>• Presentation by a guest speaker on the opportunities &amp; challenges related to the carbon markets</li> </ul>	<p><b>Item 3(h) Update on the IAF midterm review</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/6) <i>(General discussion on Item 3 (h))</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Item 4. Forum Trust Fund</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/7) <i>(General discussion on Item 4)</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>-Item 3 and its sub items (a) to (g), and item 5</b></p> <p><i>Factual correction to the UNFF18 Chair's summary</i></p> <p><i>(The draft of the UNFF18 Chair's Summary, which will include the summary of technical discussions during UNFF18, the Chair's proposals for transmission to UNFF19, and the Chair's summary of input to the 2023 HLPF, will be circulated electronically on Thursday, 11 May evening.)</i></p>
1:15-2:30pm	Side events	Side events	Side events	Side events	Side Events
3pm-6pm	<p><b>Vision, priorities &amp; achievements of the UNFFS</b> <i>(Presentation by UNFFS Director)</i></p> <p><b>Item 3 (b) Contributions of Members of the Forum to implementing the UNSPF:</b></p> <p><b>(i) New announcements of Voluntary National Contributions</b></p> <p><b>(ii) Updates on Voluntary National Contributions and their follow up related to the thematic priorities</b> <i>(Joint general discussion on items 3 (b), 3 (b) (i), and (iii))</i></p> <p><b>Item 3(e) Implementation of the UNSPF Communication and Outreach strategy, including activities regarding the International Day of Forests 2023</b> <i>(General discussion on item 3 (e))</i></p>	<p><b>Item 3. Technical discussions on the implementation of the UNSPF</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of the Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/3)</li> </ul> <p><b>Item 3 (c) Contribution of and enhanced cooperation with partners to achieving the thematic priorities</b></p> <p><b>(i) Contributions of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), its members and the UN system</b></p> <p><b>(ii) Contribution of the regional and subregional organizations and processes</b> <i>(Joint general discussion on items 3 (c), 3 (c) (i), and (ii))</i></p> <p><b>(iii) Contribution of major groups and other relevant stakeholders</b> <i>(Panel presentations by the private sector, to be followed by interactive discussions**)</i></p>	<p><b>Item 3 (g) Monitoring, assessment and reporting:</b></p> <p><b>(i) Global core set of forest-related indicators</b></p> <p><b>(ii) Preparations for the Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/5)</li> <li>• Update by FAO on preparations for the Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) 2025</li> <li>• Reporting on the outcome of the Global Workshop by its Co-Chairs</li> <li>• Terms of reference of the advisory group on reporting</li> </ul> <p><i>(General discussion on Item 3(g), 3(g) (i), &amp; (ii))</i></p>	<p><b>Item 5: Emerging Issues</b> <i>(Panel discussions on forests, energy, and livelihoods, to be followed by interactive discussions)</i></p>	<p><b>Item 6. Date and venue for the nineteenth session of the Forum.</b></p> <p><b>Item 7. Provisional agenda for the nineteenth session of the Forum.</b></p> <p><b>Item 8. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its eighteenth session</b></p> <p><b>First meeting of the nineteenth session of the Forum</b> <i>For the sole purpose of holding elections (if needed)</i></p>

\* For additional information about UNFF18, including the Provisional agenda and Annotations (E/CN.18/2023/1), and other official documents, please see: [un.org/esa/forests/forum/](http://un.org/esa/forests/forum/)

\*\* The panel under item 3C (iii) will be dedicated to the private sector to share their contributions to the thematic priorities of UNFF18. The concept note panel will be made available at: [un.org/esa/forests/forum/](http://un.org/esa/forests/forum/)

\*\*\* Consideration of items 6 to 8 and the conclusion of the work of UNFF18 may take place during the morning meeting on 12 May depending on the progress in the Forum's work.