



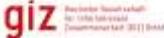
## Working Group Forest governance and biodiversity

Agenda

1. WG agenda (5 min)
2. Recent Developments, Challenges and Lessons learned (10 min)
3. Presentation IUCN: Governance and Protected Areas (15 min)
4. Additional Remarks by WB/PROFOR and others (10 min)
5. Plenary: Priority Subjects related to FG and Biodiversity (15 min)
6. Division in Subgroups (2-3), Subgroup discussions on priority subjects related to Forest Governance and Biodiversity, formulation of findings and recommendations (30 min),
7. Short presentation of subgroup findings and recommendations for post-2015 IAF (10 min)
8. Synthesis of WG findings by moderators and rapporteurs (10 min)

Total: 105 min

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# Forest Governance and Biodiversity

## Trends and Challenges

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## German Engagement

- Long-standing commitment and experience in sustainable forest management and related ODA
- Support to biodiversity conservation and forest sector reforms in >30 countries
- Political commitment: 500m Euros annually for Forests and Biodiversity (**552 Mio EUR** in 2103)
- More than half a billion Euro on REDD+ in 16 countries.
- FCPF contribution: 140 million Euro
- Focus on implementation of multi-level programmes (national-local) in partner countries






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## Important Developments and Trends

- **UNFF**: Review of IAF with NLBI, UNFF, CLI, CPF only international arrangement with all dimensions of SFM
- **CBD**: Strategic Plan of the CBD with ambitious targets regarding conservation, sustainable management and governance
- **SDG**: Goal on protection and sustainable management of forests, ecosystems and biodiversity; other goals with important links to Forest Governance; but rights of forest users communities not specifically mentioned






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## GIZ Forest Programmes

REDD+ ready programmes  
Transition programmes  
Regional programmes with forest sector REDD+ components

Central America & Caribbean  
OITSA  
MEAS  
Caucasus  
Brazil  
SIBIRIA  
AFRICA  
ASEAN  
Pacific Island States

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- **REDD+:**
  - gaining momentum in forest-rich countries
  - FCPF RF and CF country spread growing;
  - First performance-based payments to Brazil
  - Need to include governance issues and safeguards recognized
  - Focus mostly on readiness
  - Forest landscape restoration gaining attention

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- **Finance:**
  - Increased focus on performance-based payments;
  - Green climate fund getting finalized;
  - Public finance for biodiversity and forest conservation not sufficient,
  - Private finance: How to engage private actors in SFM and biodiversity conservation



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### Other international debates

- More attention on **drivers of deforestation** (agricultural commodities)
- Importance of **Private Sector**
  - International companies as drivers
  - Potential role in financing SFM,
  - Deforestation-free value chains
  - Need for new partnerships
- Trade and governance-based initiatives (EU-FLEGT, Anti-poaching)



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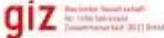

## Challenges

- Ambitious targets set by policy makers not matched by financial and implementation commitments and capacity
- > 80% of forests outside of protected areas, but concepts of SFM not yet widely applied in the Tropics
- Potential of biodiversity conservation in production forests controversial
- Private sector engagement in conservation and SFM controversial





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- Multifunctionality of forests not sufficiently taken into account in international processes
- Rights and benefits of local users are key to success but not in the centre of the debate
- Governance challenges are multi-faceted, multi-level
- Financing needs are enormous, cannot come from international funds alone
- Far reaching sector reforms need time, political will and political continuity to reach their goals




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## Conclusions and Recommendations

- Seek realistic balance between political expectations and reality on the ground
  - Finance
  - Capacities (Institutions, Communities)
  - Time
  - Political will and continuity
- Learn from success stories
- Focus on multifunctionality of forests
- Put rights and benefits into the centre of the debate





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## Thank you for your attention

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