

**Expert Panel on the
Strategic Plan of the International Arrangement on Forests
7-11 March 2016, Tokyo, Japan**

The Expert Panel on the Strategic Plan of the International Arrangement on Forests (IAF), organized by the Forestry Agency of Japan and in collaboration with the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF). The informal panel was held in Tokyo, Japan from 7 to 11 March 2016. The panel discussion was aimed at exploring ideas on the possible contents and elements of the strategic plan of the IAF for the period 2017-2030 and the quadrennial programme of work (4POW) for the period 2017-2020. Thirty five experts from Member States, member organizations of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), regional and subregional organizations, as well as major group

Sustainable management of all types of forests and trees outside forests and promotion of national and international policy coordination and cooperation, as a contribution towards achieving sustainable development through the world;

To complement and add value to forest and forestry related activities by facilitating synergies and joint efforts, so as to maximize its coordinated action and coherence as well as increase the effectiveness of the support provided to Member States;

To fully engage civil society, including the private sector, in the design, implementation and monitoring of policies and programs intended to increase levels and effectiveness of SFM; and
i) Promote the implementation of internationally agreed actions on forests, at the national, regional and global levels; ii) Provide a coherent, transparent and participatory global framework for policy implementation, coordination and development; iii) Facilitate implementation of forest-related agreements.

Vision statement may include the following elements:

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	By [year] reduce the area of forest subject to illegal logging by X%				
	<p>[By year?] Adopt cross-sectoral approaches/foster collaboration to address drivers of D&D... (MD11 para 14.e)</p> <p>[By 2020?], integrate SFM/UNFI into poverty reduction and sustainable development strategies and sectoral policies... (MD11 para 14.c)</p> <p>By [2020?]...eliminate, phase out or reform incentives, including subsidies, harmful to forests...and apply positive incentives for SFM... (based on ABT3)</p>	<p>SDG17.14 & 17.13 on policy coherence</p> <p>ABT 2 on integrating biodiversity values into national/local strategies, planning processes and national accounting</p> <p>GEF-SFM 1.1 & 4.6 on cross-sectoral policy/planning approaches and collaboration between sectors</p> <p>SDG2.4 on resilient agricultural practices</p>	<p>Ensure cross-sectoral cooperation</p> <p>Develop and implement land use policies</p> <p>UNFI actions on cross-sectoral cooperation and management tools (6.c, 6.k, 6.l)</p> <p>Integrate forests/SFM into national sustainable development plans and strategies (UNFI 6.1 & 7.c)</p> <p>Positive incentives for SFM (UNFI 7.d & 7.e)</p>	MSs CPF UNFF	<p>Joint UNFF sessions with agriculture/water</p> <p>Voluntary peer reviews</p> <p># of implemented and forest</p>

			Initiative, Tropical Forest Alliance, Consumer Goods) (MD11 para 14.i) UNFF and UNFFS fully engaged in the <u>SDG review process</u>			
	Promote and strengthen public understanding of the importance of and benefits provided by forests, SFM and the forest sector (UNFI V.6.t)	SDG13.3 on awareness raising on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning	Develop/implement a communication strategy to raise awareness of forests/SFM and the role of IAF Enhance public understanding and awareness (UNFI 6.t) Set up an information and awareness program on the UNFI	UNFF UNFFS CPF MSs MGs RECs	UNFFS Trust Fund G3FNet MSs	

Annex IV. List of experts

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34. Mr. Wu Zhimin
Vice-Chair of the UNFF11 Bureau (China)
35. Mr. Zheng Zhong