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# The NLBI The GOFS The SDGs

UNFF AHEG 1 (24-28 February 2014)  
Nairobi, Kenya



# Some statistics on reporting

**46** reports

**44** from countries

**2** from major groups

**Low reporting    Why: ???**



# Evaluating the NLBI implementation

Clear / unclear on implementation

50%: Inadequate implementation  
(Europe, Africa, Asia)

35%: adequate

15%: Not sure

GOFs: GOF1-3: no trends

GOF4: a bit adequate

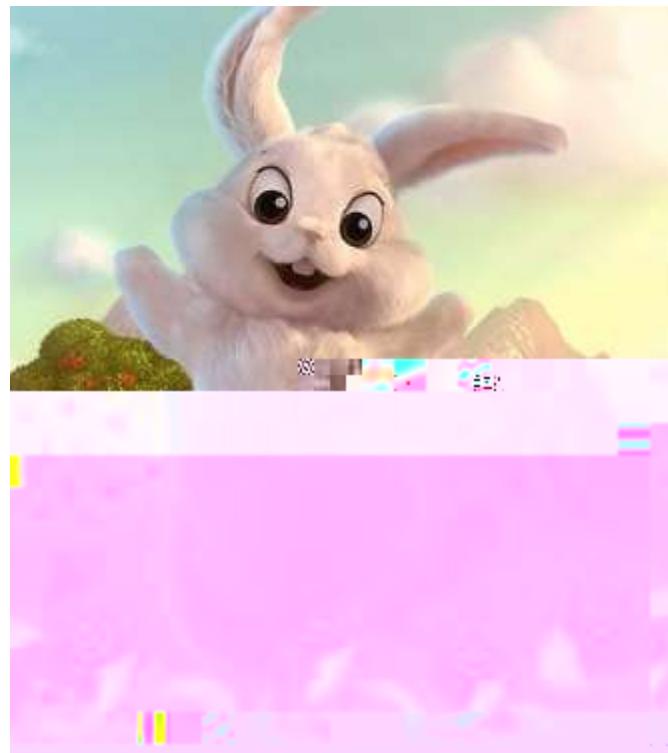


# NLBI: A milestone



UNFF AHEG 1  
Sibylle Vermont

How many miles did we go?







# Past: Weaknesses of NLBI

Not implemented

Some say: not implemented as it is not legally binding  
not in an equal playing field as Rio conventions

No reporting

Not recognized by the forest sector

Not known outside the forest sector

Not much impact on national policies and practices



# Past: Strengths of NLBI



Adoption of the NLBI: Key achievement: national, regional and global

Raised the forest profile in sustainable development

Common understanding of SFM

For policy advice

A communication tool

Increased cooperation, harmonisation of processes

Forest dialogues at national and regional levels

For bilateral aid



# How to improve the implementation of the NLBI - Multifaceted actions: International

Legally binding instrument

High level meetings between Finance and Forest Ministers

Better linkages with forest-related conventions

Better linkages with regional processes and NFPs

Support from CPF members through global and regional thematic programmes for NLBi implementation

Funding from all sources: (voluntary) GFF (+/- LBI), GEF, regional financing funds, better access to existing funds

Importance of facilitative process

MAR methodology and monitoring guidelines, indicators synchronized with FRA

Seminars on integration NLBI in NFPs



# How to improve the implementation of the NLBI - Multifaceted actions: National (1)

Political will/interest to make SFM a priority

Strengthen national legislation: align NLBI, NFPs, laws

National forest financing strategies

National accounting of forest values

Good governance/adequate enabling conditions  
(incl. securing tenure and user rights)







# How to improve the implementation of the NLBI - Multifaceted actions: National (2)

Percentage of national budget

Percentage of national investment fund

National forest fund

Payments for ecosystem services

Green economy

Enabling conditions for private sector investments

Private equity funds

Taxes on private sector benefits

Enhanced cooperation North-South and funding









# SDGs-GOFs-NLBI

A SDG on: **Forests Natural Resources-  
Landscape- Cross-sectoral issues**

Need to convince on the multifunctionality of forests  
for economic and social development

General agreement of usefulness of NLBI and GOFs  
GOFs already contributing to sustainable  
development

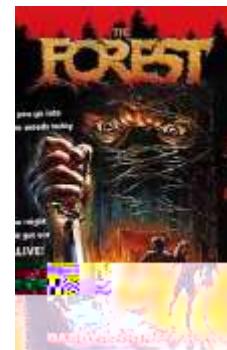
GOFs under cross-sectoral issues SDGs

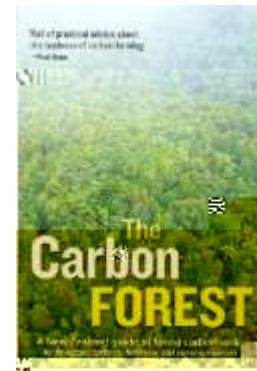
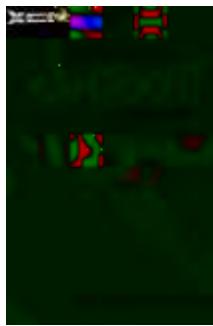
GOFs useful if well monitored

GOFs as indicators for SDGs



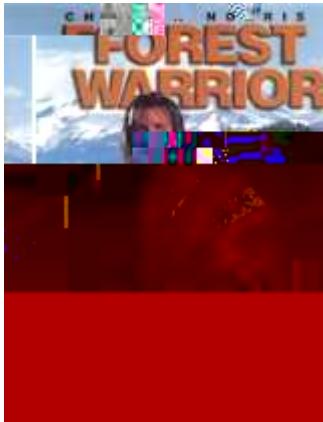
# Need to improve communication







# Foresters: WAKE UP!





**« If countries implement the NLBI faithfully, it will contribute to the implementation of forest-related conventions »**

Be faithful to **FORESTS**

But be unfaithful for the implementation:

Work with Other sectors

