



Since 2009 the national reporting to the Forum has focused on tracking progress towards implementation of the UN Forest Instrument and achievement of its GOFs and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). In total 180 country reports were submitted in the four reporting cycles to the Forum, with steady increase from UNFF8 (21 reports) to UNFF11 (81 reports). The national reports submitted to each session of the Forum provided basis for, and were summarized in the Secretary General Report, on progress made on the implementation of the UN Forest Instrument and towards the achievement of GOFs

Work on a set of possible indicators that will facilitate reporting on the global forest goals/commitment/objectives including the UN Forest Instrument and its GOFs, the forest related SDGs goals and targets, and goals and targets of the Strategic Plan 2017-2030;

Propose how the information collected through national reports should be used (e.g. during UNFF sessions and in reporting to relevant forest-related processes including contributing to the follow-up and review of the forest-related aspects of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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The meeting is expected to gather around 40-50 experts from Member States and CPF member organizations, representatives of major groups and criteria and indicators processes who have knowledge and experience in data gathering, reporting on and monitoring of forests and sustainable forest management.

Participants will be provided with the draft programme of work and background papers in due course. The background documents will include:

- The outcome of the UNFF Working group on the IAF strategic plan
- A summary report of the OLI on C&I
- Other relevant documents.

The working language of the meeting is English with no interpretation