

Expert Group Meeting on the Clearing House of the UNFF Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network

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Concept Note

Background

Adequate financial resources are crucial for the implementation of sustainable forest management, achieving the Global Forest Goals of the UN Strategic Plan for Forests (UNSPF), forest-related Sustainable Development Goals, and other international forest-related instruments, processes, commitments and goals. Access to information and reliable data on funding opportunities for forests, as well as sharing best practices and lessons-learned on funding forests are also key for developing countries and countries with economies in transition to mobilize resources for sustainable management of their forests.

The Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network (GFFFN) was established in 2015 under the auspices of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) by the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC resolution 2015/33). One of the priorities of the GFFFN as set out in the UN

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Secretariat to “initiate development of the Network’s online clearing house mechanism” in accordance with the guidelines for the

