



## CONCEPT NOTE

Dialogue with CPF Heads and UNFF partners on:
Achieving globally agreed goals on forests, dimate change, and biodiversity
Item 6 - High-level segment, induding a forest partnership forum with the Collaborative

Forests are pivotal for achieving most, if not all, of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and, when sustainably managed, may positively contribute to climate change adaptation and mitigation, biodiversity conservation, and land restoration. The UNSPF's GFGs are aimed at supporting the achievement of globally agreed-upon forest goals, including those in th

- What are the main challenges countries encounter in adopting national forest legislations that address domestic issues, such as law enforcement, and the triple planetary crisis?
- What role can the forest-related private sector play in supporting governments in combatting deforestation, biodiversity loss, land degradation, and the adverse effects of climate change?
- How can forest-related regional and subregional entities contribute to implementing the UN Strategic Plan for Forest and achieving the Global Forest Goals, the SDGs, and globally agreed-upon goals on forests, biodiversity, and climate change?
- How can Major Groups and other Stakeholders contribute to transformative policies and actions that accelerate progress towards achieving the globally agreed-upon goals on forests, climate change, and biodiversity, focusing on science-based solutions and equity and inclusion?

The speakers will have three minutes each to respond. After the initial intervention by the speakers, the moderators will open the floor for interactive discussion on the questions mentioned above and reactions to the interventions by the speakers. Delegations are invited to express their interest in intervening during the Dialogue through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE ahead of UNFF19. Information on the opening of the list of speakers will be circulated to Permanent Missions in advance. For the interactive part of the Dialogue, priority will be given to delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States and representatives at the Ministerial and Director-General levels and above, as well as CPF members who did not speak and did not attend at the principal level. Other speakers will be added to the list if time permits. The maximum duration of each intervention is three minutes. Delegations are reminded to e-mail a copy of any prepared statement to estatements@un.org at least two hours before the meeting, including the title and date of the meeting, as well as the name and delegation of the speaker. If there are a high number of requests for the floor, the Chair may further limit the duration of the interventions. The time limit will be strictly enforced. Interactive discussions are strongly encouraged.

The Dialogue will be moderated by Her Excellency Ms. Aurélie Flora KOUMBA-PAMBO, Ambassador-at-large of Gabon, in charge of Climate, Environment, and Sustainable Development, and Mr. WU Zhimin, Director, Forestry Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). It includes the following Speakers:

Mr. Robert Nasi, Director General, Center for International Forestry Research, and Chief Operating Officer, Center for International Forestry Research-World Agroforestry Centre (3 minutes)

Ms. Ivonne Higuero, Secretary General, Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, and CPF Vice-Chair (3 minutes)

Ms. Sheam Satkuru, Executive Director, International Tropical Timber Organization (3 minutes)

Mr. John Parrotta, President, International Union of Forest Research Organizations (3 minutes)

Mr. Christian Peter, Global Manager for Environment and Forests, World Bank (3 minutes)

H.E. Mr. Antonio Herman Benjamin, Justice, Superior Tribunal de Justiça (National High Court of Brazil) (3 minutes)

Mr. David Brand, Convening Chair, International Sustainable Forest Coalition (3 minutes)

Mr. Sunpil JIN, Vice Executive Director,

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