



Organization-Led Initiative in support of the United Nations Forum on Forests

The UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030

Review Framework & MAR

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International Arrangement on Forests

Catalyse implementation and

financing for SFM



Enhance forests contributions to achieving the 2030 Agenda





Strategic approach fostering collaborative & participatory actions





UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-30

- A reference framework for forest related work within the UN system as a whole;
- A clear, concise, workable, high level, strategic, aspirational, and user-friendly Plan;
- Help to address fragmentation in global forest governance;
- A communication, outreach and messaging tool on the positive contribution of forests.







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Guiding Principles on Global Goals & Targets

- Build on already agreed forest-related UN goals, targets and commitments to the extent possible;
- Support implementation of the UN Forest Instrument and other international commitments, including the 2030 Agenda and its SDGs and the Paris Agreement;
- Be consistent with the vision and mission set out in the UN Strategic Plan;
- Be universal, interlinked and intended to stimulate and provide a framework for voluntary actions and contributions by countries and partners.







Global Goals & Targets (AHEG2 report)

- Goals should capture the IAF objectives and GOFs;
- Goals should be linked to existing internationally agreed goals and targets;
- Goals should address issues not covered by the GOFs, such as coherence and complementarity of forestrelated work, particularly within the UN system;
- Targets should be supported by existing information, baseline data and indicators;
- Targets should relate to ongoing work on global forest indicators.







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Guiding Principles on Targets (AHEG2 report)

- Can be quantitative/numerical and qualitative and process related;
- Quantitative/numerical targets should be based on existing information and baseline data;
- Terms used in quantitative/numerical targets in accordance with UN agreed definitions;
- Targets should be:
 - ⁻ time bound
 - global in nature
 - meaningful/impacting
 - ambitious but realizable
 - balanced in number across the goals







General views: Targets (AHEG2 report)

- Limited (max 5) number of targets under each Goal
- Targets to be considered in the context of ongoing work on global forest indicators
- Global in nature rather than national => countries to determine their voluntary contributions to each target







AHEG Co-Chairs' Proposed - Goals (11.10. 2016):

- GOF 1+: Reverse the loss of forest cover worldwide through SFM, including protection, restoration, afforestation and reforestation, and increase efforts to prevent forest degradation and enhance the resilience of forests to climate change.
- GOF2: Enhance forest-based economic, social and environmental benefits, including by improving the livelihoods of forest dependent people.
- **GOF 3**: Increase significantly the area of protected forests worldwide and other areas of sustainably managed forests, as well as the proportion of forest products from sustainably managed forests.







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AHEG Co-Chairs' Proposed - Goals (11.10. 2016):

- GOF 4+: Reverse the decline in ODA for SFM and mobilize significantly increased, new and additional financial resources from all sources for the implementation of SFM and strengthen scientific, technical and technological cooperation and partnerships.
- **GOF5/Cross-Cutting Strategy 1**: Promote sustainable governance frameworks to implement the UN Forest Instrument and enhance the contribution of forests to the 2030 Agenda.
- GOF6/Cross-Cutting Strategy 2: Enhance cooperation, coordination, coherence and synergies on forest-related issues within the UN System and across CPF member organizations.







Indicative list of targets with available baseline information (i)

Category of data	Possible targets under Goal 1
Forest area	The Earth's forest cover is increased by X%, including X million ha of restored natural forests
Forest area classified as natural or semi-natural	The rate of loss of natural forests is reduced by X%
Growing stock/standing volume	The world's forest carbon stocks are increased by X%







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Indicative list of baseline data categories (ii)

Category of data	Possible targets under Goal 4 & 5
Public financing for forests/SFM	4.a Forest-related ODA is increased by X% globally and investment in SFM and forest-based industries is increased by Y%
Financial strategies for SFM	4.c X% of countries have developed and are implementing financial strategies to achieve SFM
Cross-sectoral coordination	5.a X% of countries have integrated forests and forest-based industries into national development plans and poverty reduction strategies
Reporting progress on UNFI	5.f By 2024, the number of countries that provide reports on implementation of the UNFI is increased by X%





Monitoring, assessment and reporting

- An integral part of the UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030;
- A core function of the work of the UNFF;
- Supports the UNFF's contribution to the High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, on the review of forest related SDGs and targets.







Thank you for your attention!





