

Inputs for the follow up discussion on Sustainable Forestry for FSN

COSTA RICA

Costa Rica believes that the joint meeting outcomes provide a good starting point and, therefore, would like to share its reflections on how the event could be organized:

- Since FAO's Forestry Policy and Resources Division was deeply involved in the policy convergence process of the HLPE's Report on Sustainable Forestry for FSN, it could be valuable to propose them to co-hosting the meeting. It would not only be an innovative approach (first CFS activity co-organized with another FAO Department/Committee in Rome), but also a possibility of having a partner that might be able to provide resources, should they be absolutely necessary. Approaching Ms Eva Muller's successor, or ADG's Mr Hiroto Mitsugi directly by CFS Chair could ease the process and the willingness to collaborate (COFO's Chair resides in Korea).
- Half a day (3,5-4h) could be scheduled during the intersessional period. Discussion could be facilitated by Ambassador Pythoud (if available), and should be constrained to the Report's outcomes that were not sufficiently addressed during the policy convergence dialogue. OEWG format could be used, so that all of the stakeholders can participate. Opening remarks could be delivered by COFO/Forestry Department, and closing ones/summary by CFS Chair.
- A Facilitator/Chair summary would be desirable, but if no consensus can be reached on this, we would still support to have the activity, with a reference at CFS46 that the event took place on certain date in order to discuss about the pending issues.