DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF FAO BODIES OF INTEREST TO THE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 6.1
FO:COFO/2018/6.1
FAO Conference

- Endorsed the report of the 23rd Session
- Encouraged members to:
  - strengthen policy coordination
  - strengthen dialogue to achieve transformative change
  - strengthen data collection for monitoring SDG targets
  - integrate forests into DNCs and NAPs
  - mainstream forests in all four dimensions of food security
  - strengthen investments and improve financing for SFM
- Recommendations are in 4, 5.14, 6.4-5, 7.1-2
FAO Council

• Endorsed the report of the 23rd Session
• Requested/encouraged FAO to:
  • Align FRA with SDG monitoring
  • review the FRA strategy, including its financing strategy, in consultation with FAO Members, members of the CPF and other relevant international organizations;
  • continue its leadership role in the CPF
• Recommendations are in 4, 5.14, 6.4-5, 7.1-2
• CL158: first ever joint side event of Technical Committees
Committee on World Food Security

- On the basis of the HLPE report made policy recommendations, pls see FO:COFO/2018/5.4

Committee on Agriculture

- Three dimensions of sustainability be more integrated across agriculture, forestry and fisheries
- Technical Committees, RBAs and other stakeholders, to collaborate towards the 2030 Agenda
- Items 4, 5.1-4, 6.5 and 7.1
COMMISSION ON GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

- collaboration of the agriculture/livestock sector with the environment/wildlife/forest sector
- regional networks on forest genetic resources and on forest invasive species
- voluntary guidelines for national strategy for FGR
- draft guidelines for country progress reports on GPA
- FAO to pursue extra-budgetary funds for developing countries
Regional Conference for Africa

• Discussed forests mainly in the biodiversity mainstreaming context

Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean

• Endorsed the report of LACFC
• In climate resilient and sustainable agriculture recommended conservation and recovery of degraded forests
Regional Conference for the Near East

- Took note of the outcome and encouraged implementation

Regional Conference for Europe

- Endorsed the report of EFC (joint with UNECE COFFI)
- supported the joint activities of FAO and UNECE in the field of forestry
- EFC to identify and discuss priorities of work
- FAO to pursue and further enhance its forestry work
Informal Regional Conference for North America

• Addressed forests among strategic priorities’:
  • Promote resilience ... of people relying on ... forest production systems
  • Strengthen FAO’s technical expertise and build capacity ... to support ... forest resource monitoring and information
  • ... improve ... sustainable forest management practices ... for example, wildfire management, forest adaptation and mitigation, and combating illegal logging and associated trade
  • Support and enhance conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity
  • Strengthen FAO’s technical capacity in information management and support strengthening of national data systems
"The branches of forests and trees reach out across the SDGs."