



Report Stream 4 New Institutions, New Governance

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Stream 4 Background (1)

- Strong links across Streams 1-5 & resonates with APFC sessions
- 15 Sessions, 66 presentations (case studies), 4 panel discussions, 3 workshops/forums, 8 Q&A's
- Forestry & forest management in a state of flux = opportunities
- Country case studies – institutional settings → policies/laws/regulations → standards/guidelines → implementation actions on the ground
- Participation of key stakeholders (private, community, smallholders, civil society, youth, scientists, academics)

Stream 4 Background (2)

- Increasing expertise/experience sharing in partnerships
- Forward looking – past lessons, guidance for more promising future
- Drivers for change encompass global-national-sub-national-grassroots (UNFCCC, CBD, CITES, UNFF, SDGs etc) to forest management policies, plans & practices
- Drivers of change in AP countries as much outside the forest sector as inside

Stream 4 Key Messages (1)

- New governance & institutions responding to new drivers (+ & -) & maximizing forestry contributions to new expectations
- Demand on forests goods & services & need for SFM greater than ever (incl. at core of REDD+)
- Integrated & participatory approaches to policy reform:
 - Forestry with other sectors (consistency, inter-dependence, landscape approaches)
 - Tenure, land & resource rights, access to markets
 - Livelihoods, food security, poverty alleviation, SDGs
 - Wood is good, renewable, green buildings,
 - Climate change (vulnerability, resilience, adaptation, mitigation, carbon management)

Stream 4 Key Messages (2)

- Inclusive governance = multi-stakeholder participation, more transparent decision-making, accountability, efficiency & equity
- Recognition of enhanced roles of private sector (corporate, SME) communities, smallholders, civil society & youth in SFM policies, plans, practices
- Strengthen SFM tools & market mechanisms -
Legality & Sustainability initiatives (EUTR-VPAs, FSC & PEFC), Payment for Environmental Services, C&I for SFM, SFM Toolkit

Stream 4: Opportunities (1)

- Rapid changes in economic, environmental & social conditions can catalyze reform of institutions & governance to meet new priorities & demands
- Recognizing local community & IP customary rights & empowerment in reform of policy & legal frames & access to technical, financial and legal resources, access to markets & more collaborative approaches are fundamental prerequisites for scaling-up SFM & sustainable livelihoods (↑ food security & ↓ poverty)
- Technical barriers to forest products trade can be reduced by more compatible standards & technical rules (FLEGT VPAs, FSC, PEFC etc)

Stream 4: Opportunities (2)

- Young foresters & their diversity can offer greater engagement & influence in shaping future forest education & policy
- New communication approaches, (e) tools & networks can better connect people & facilitate their understanding & interaction with forest decision-makers
- Scope to strengthen C&I for SFM for more relevance & sharing with stakeholders in results-based policy, plans & practices in context of FLEGT, REDD+, SDGs, international agreements, community forestry

Stream 4: Opportunities (3)

- Innovative ways can strengthen financial & institutional frames across sectors & admin levels
- Impact driven & innovative research for forest landscapes can enhance management & use of forests, agroforestry & tree genetic resources
- Evidence-based, systematic forestry & landscape research & review methodology can better inform decision-makers, consolidate knowledge, identify research gaps & help set priorities
- Forest & farm producer organizations can increase food security & reduce rural poverty by enhancing profitable activities within sustainable natural resources & landscape management

Recommended Action

The Commission may wish to request FAO and Member Countries to:

“Continue to implement activities that enhance the roles of key stakeholders such as the private sector, smallholders, communities, CSOs and youth in supporting SFM and forest landscape policies, plans and practices through appropriate policy mechanisms, capacity building and exchange of information and best practices”

Thank You!



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