



FAO side-event at the UNFCCC meeting in Bonn,
5th June 2009, 13-15 h, METRO room

AGRICULTURE, LAND AND CLIMATE CHANGE

While extensive attention has been given to the role of forests in the reduction of carbon emissions under REDD, other land uses under agriculture also have the potential to reduce and remove a significant amount of GHGs. During this side event mitigation opportunities from agriculture across different subsectors - grasslands, livestock and agroforestry - are presented, as well as co-benefits that may be generated for food security, productivity, ecosystem services and resilience. Moving towards a more comprehensive approach to climate change mitigation across land uses would help to manage synergies and trade-offs. FAO has proposed that this forms part of anchoring agriculture within a climate change regime.

Programme:

- Peter Holmgren (Director; Environment, Climate Change and Bioenergy Division, FAO): Introduction - A comprehensive landscape approach for GHG mitigation
- Henning Steinfeld (Chief of Livestock Information and Policy Branch, FAO): Livestock management
- Constance Neely (Vice President for Advocacy, Heifer International): Grassland management
- Peter Minang (Acting Global Coordinator; ASB Partnership for the Tropical Forest Margins at ICRAF): Agroforestry
- Wendy Mann (Senior Advisor; Natural Resources Management and Environment Department, FAO): Agriculture in the negotiations