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PROGRESS IN THE PREPARATION OF <i>THE STATE OF THE WORLD'S FOREST GENETIC RESOURCES</i>
HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PREPARATION OF *THE STATE OF THE WORLD'S FOREST GENETIC RESOURCES*

1. The Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Commission), at its Twelfth Regular Session, requested FAO to prepare *The State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources (Report)*, for consideration at its Fourteenth Regular Session, as the first authoritative assessment of forest genetic resources of importance to sustainable forest management, food security, poverty alleviation and environmental sustainability.¹ It also, stressed that the process for preparing the *Report* should be based primarily on Country Reports on Forest Genetic Resources, with support through thematic studies and reports from international organizations, as well as inputs from relevant stakeholders. It also requested relevant international and regional organizations to participate in the preparatory process of *The State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources*.²

2. The present document is an addendum to the document, *Progress in the preparation of The State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources (CGRFA/WG-FGR-1/11/2)*, and provides more details in terms of human and financial resource requirements for activities undertaken by FAO for the preparation of the *Report* since the Twelfth Regular Session of the Commission. It also identifies resources needed to continue with activities leading to the preparation of the draft *Report* in 2013 and possible follow-up activities, as proposed in the document *Review of the Commission's Multi-Year Programme of Work – Forest Genetic Resources (CGRFA/WG-FGR-1/11/4)*.

¹ CGRFA-12/09/Report, paragraphs 49 and 50

² CGRFA-12/09/Report, paragraph 51

Human and financial resource requirements 2010-2011

3. Activities related to the preparation of *The State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources* are included in FAO's Medium Term Plan (MTP) 2010-13 and its Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) 2010-11. Activities are listed under two Organizational Results:

- E06 - *Environmental values of forests, trees outside forests and forestry are better realized; strategies for conservation of forest biodiversity and genetic resources, climate change mitigation and adaptation, rehabilitation of degraded lands, and water and wildlife management are effectively implemented; and*
- F03 - *Policies and programmes are strengthened at national, regional and international levels to ensure the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity for food and agriculture and the equitable sharing of benefits arising from the use of genetic resources.*

4. Human resources devoted to these activities included 50% of a P-5 staff time in the Forest Assessment, Management and Conservation Division and 10% of a P-5 staff time in the Secretariat of the Commission. During the period 2010-2011, a total of USD376,300 was spent or committed of the Regular Programme for activities for preparation of the *Report* (regional workshops and the development of the global database on forest genetic resources). USD333,000 of extra-budgetary resources, received from the Governments of Norway, Spain and Sweden, were committed for a regional workshop in the Pacific, the first meeting of the Intergovernmental Technical Working Group on Forest Genetic Resources (ITWG-FGR) and to support thematic studies.

Human and financial resource requirements 2011-2013 (and for the process beyond)

5. The team working on the preparation of *The State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources* will be strengthened by staff who are being recruited in the Forest Assessment, Management and Conservation Division: a Forestry Officer -Genetic Resources (new P4 post equally funded by Regular Programme and extra-budgetary resources) and a Junior Professional Officer. Canada provides in-kind support from the Canadian Forest Service in upgrading characteristics and functionalities of the global forest genetic resources database REFORGEN

6. If financial resources are available, FAO will continue with the activities foreseen for the preparation of the *The State of the World's Forest Genetic Resources*. This includes two regional workshops to assist National Focal Points (Central Asia, the Caribbean); country support in the preparation of Country Reports (different regions); analysis and synthesis of Country Reports; drafting and editing the *Report*; regional meetings to identify priority action, regional needs and emergencies (different regions); and the second meeting of the ITWG-FGR.

7. An indicative timetable with activities and budget along the process 2010-2013 is given in *Table 1*. Financial gaps remain in respect of some essential activities in the forthcoming intersessional period. The core activities and their budget implications are provided in *Table 2*.

**TABLE 1: ACTIVITIES AND TIME-TABLE FOR THE PROCESS OF PREPARATION
OF
THE STATE OF THE WORLD'S FOREST GENETIC RESOURCES**

ACTIVITIES	2010				2011				2012				2013				COST/BUDGET
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
1. Regional workshop training of resource persons of the Latin-American Region																	Quito, Ecuador 15-19/03/10 USD30,000 (RP)
2. Regional workshop training of resource persons of the African Region																	Brazzaville, Congo 25-26/03/10 USD50,000 (RP)
3. Guidelines for the preparation of country reports available in A, E, F, R & S																	
4. Invitation letter to nominate NFPs and prepare country reports																	
5. Regional workshop to assist preparation of country reports in Latin America																	Cali, Colombia 24-26/11/10 USD30,000 (RP)
6. Regional workshop to assist preparation of country reports in the Pacific																	Nadi, Fiji Islands 18-20/01/11 USD53,000 (TF)
7. Regional workshop to assist preparation of country reports in Asia																	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 7-9/03/11 USD48,000 (RP)
8. 1 st Meeting of the ITWG-FGR																	4-6/04/11 USD80,000 (TF)
9. Regional workshop to assist preparation of country reports in the sub-Saharan Africa																	Nairobi, Kenya 27-29/04/11 USD150,000 (RP)
10. Regional workshop to assist preparation of country reports in the Near East																	Tunisia, May 2011 USD38,300 (RP)
11. CGRFA 13																	
12. Regional workshops to assist preparation of country reports in Central Asia and the Caribbean																	Funding sought: USD80,000
13. Support to preparation of country reports																	Funding sought: USD1,700,000
14. Preparation of thematic studies																	USD200,000 (TF)

ACTIVITIES	2010				2011				2012				2013				STATUS
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
15. Inputs from International Organizations																	
16. Development of global FGR database REFORGEN																	USD30,000 (RP)
17. Analysis and synthesis of information from country reports, thematic studies and reports from international organizations																	Funding sought: USD100,000
18. Regional meetings to identify priority action, regional needs and emergencies																	Funding sought: USD450,000
19. Drafting and editing of the <i>Report</i>																	Funding sought: USD100,000
20. 2 nd Meeting of the ITWG-FGR																	Funding sought: USD100,000

TABLE 2: FINANCIAL GAPS FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PREPARATION OF *THE STATE OF THE WORLD'S FOREST GENETIC RESOURCES*

ACTIVITY	FUNDING SOUGHT (USD)
Regional workshop to assist National Focal points in the preparation of country reports (Central Asia) Air tickets (USD16,000) + DSA (USD15,000) + Meeting facilities (USD9,000)	40,000
Regional workshop to assist National Focal points in the preparation of country reports (Caribbean) Air tickets (USD16,000) + DSA (USD15,000) + Meeting facilities (USD9,000)	40,000
Support to preparation of country reports in Africa (30), Asia (15), Latin America (15), Near East (12), Pacific (13) Travel and DSA (national workshops) (USD1,200,000) Consultants (USD300,000)	1,500,000
Analysis and synthesis (contracts)	300,000
Drafting and editing the <i>Report</i> (contracts)	100,000
Regional meetings to identify priority action, regional needs and emergencies, in Africa, Asia, Latin America, Near East and the Pacific Travel (USD200,000), DSA (USD170,000), Meeting facilities (USD80,000)	450,000
2 nd meeting of the ITWG-FGR	100,000
TOTAL	2,530,000