Participants:

Hosny El-Lakany, FAO (Chair)
Kalemani Jo Mulongoy, CBD Secretariat
Jag Maini, DESA/UNFF Secretariat
Jim Ball, FAO
Susan Braatz, FAO
Kanta Kumari, GEF
Amha Bin Buang, ITTO
Miles Holden, UNDP
Jaime Hurtubia, UNEP
Robert Tippmann, FCCC (as observer)
Tiina Vähänen, UNFF Secretariat (Secretary)

Agenda: see attached (Annex 1)

Opening remarks

Hosny El-Lakany, Assistant Director-General, Forestry Department, FAO and Chair of the CPF, welcomed the GEF, represented by Kanta Kumari, as a new member of the CPF. He informed members that the CCD had responded positively to the invitation to join the CPF, and that the FCCC, represented by Robert Tippmann, is considering the matter.

1. Review of the outcome of the first week of UNFF 1; CPF view

Jag Maini summarised the status of negotiations after the first week of the UNFF. As regards to the CPF, he noted that the general feedback on the Statement by the CPF presented at the opening session as well as on the statements by all individual CPF members was very positive. Members noted that, based on general statements made by governments during the first week of UNFF 1, expectations seemed to be very high on the role of the CPF in supporting the work of the UNFF and that, in some cases, the expectations might be difficult to meet, taking into account the limited financial and human resources of the CPF member organizations.

2. Review of the outcome of the CPF-NGO meeting on 13 June

Hosny El-Lakany summarised the results of the CPF-NGO meeting, held on 13 June 2001, and noted the high level of participation by all CPF members, approximately 20 NGO representatives and several government representatives in the meeting, as well as the constructive discussion among the participants. The draft summary report of the CPF-NGO meeting was circulated to CPF members and NGO representatives for comments. (Final report will be available soon.)

3. Steps for preparation of a CPF Work Plan

Members discussed the preparation of the CPF Work Plan containing the CPF’s contribution to the UNFF’s work. It was noted that the CPF is expected to undertake more tasks than the ITFF that mainly concentrated in supporting the Programme of Work of the IPF and IFF. The CPF is expected to support the UNFF MYPOW and also, in particular, the implementation of the UNFF POA.
Members agreed to develop a CPF Work Plan based on the UNFF MYPOW and POA and the guidance from the UNFF to the work of the CPF. They noted that the CPF Work Plan would need to be a living document, taking into account the focus of each of the UNFF sessions. It was noted that the two basic tasks of the CPF member organizations are (i) to continue implementing those proposals for action that were specifically targeted at them and to support national implementation of the IPF/IFF proposals for action, and (ii) to assist the UNFF in monitoring, assessment and reporting on progress towards attaining its objectives.

Members emphasised the urgency of confirming the lead-agency roles, based on the system adopted by the ITFF and taking into account the programme elements and components of the UNFF MYPOW and POA. They also emphasised the importance of strengthening cooperation among CPF member organizations and bodies not only at the international level but also at regional and national levels.

The Work Plan, to be presented at UNFF 2, would consist of two parts:
- Part I: CPF contribution to the MYPOW
- Part II: CPF contribution to the implementation of the UNFF POA

It was agreed that the UNFF Secretariat would draft the outline of the CPF Work Plan for members’ discussion by the end of July, before the next meeting. The outline would include:
- an analysis of the tasks that the UNFF invited the CPF and its members to undertake;
- potential inputs by the CPF members to the CPF Work Plan;
- suggested lead-agency roles of the CPF that will need to be confirmed at the next CPF meeting.

4. CPF’s work between UNFF 1 and UNFF 2

Members agreed that the following tasks would be carried out, starting immediately after UNFF 1:

I. Preparation of the CPF Work Plan (as described above)

II. Clarification of the CPF membership criteria
   - UNFF Secretariat to prepare a paper clarifying the CPF membership, including the membership criteria, and circulate it for comments to the members before the next meeting.

III. Further elaboration of the concept of the CPF Network
   - UNFF Secretariat to draft a concept paper, for discussion at the next CPF meeting, on the CPF Network including its role, functions and working modalities as well as its relation with the UNFF’s multi-stakeholder dialogues. The concept paper would then be made available to the potential CPF Network members, including NGOs, for their comments and inputs.

IV. Coordinated preparations for the dialogue between heads of the CPF members and ministers during the high-level segment of UNFF 2.

V. Preparations of the outreach activities (publications and website) of the CPF (as described in section 5 and 6 below).

5. Dissemination of CPF information and other outreach activities

5.1 Directory of Forest Institutions and Agencies

Jim Ball informed the members on the status of updating the Directory of Forest-related Institutions and agencies. The updated directory will be soon available at the UNFF secretariat website.

5.2 Calendar of Forest-related Events

Jag Maini and Tiina Vähänen informed members of the current status of the Calendar of Forest-related Intergovernmental Events. The Calendar is posted on the UNFF Secretariat website and it is regularly updated. It will soon be available in user-friendly format. The Chair encouraged members to actively use both the Directory and the Calendar as well as update their information as necessary.
5.3 CPF website

Members agreed to develop a CPF website in which all CPF related information could be posted in a structured manner, including links to CPF member organizations’ websites. Such a website could also serve as a mechanism by which members of the CPF Network could channel their inputs to the CPF work. FAO offered to develop the CPF web pages, in consultation with other members and the UNFF Secretariat, to be placed under the UNFF website.

5.4 Other outreach activities

- It was agreed that the CPF member organizations would arrange a collective display of their publications at UNFF 2. Jo Mulongoy informed that the CBD Secretariat will invite the CPF members to provide a display of publications and posters at SBSTTA 7 in Montreal in November 2001.
- It was also agreed to publish by the UNFF 2, a (i) CPF leaflet, a brief brochure similar to the ITFF leaflet, and (ii) a more comprehensive CPF brochure describing CPF member organizations and their activities.
- Members also discussed a possibility of publishing a collective assessment of progress in forests since Rio for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD).

6. Proposed Sourcebook on funding for SFM

Jag Maini summarised the idea of a Sourcebook on funding for sustainable forest management that was initially discussed briefly at the previous CPF meeting. He noted that the UNFF Secretariat had prepared a concept paper for the sourcebook and circulated it for comments by the CPF members on 30 April 2001. The book would be an on-going initiative that aims to provide easy and clear information on the manner in which financial cooperation to forestry is organised bilaterally and multilaterally. It would provide information on sources of funds, delivery mechanisms and implementation strategies made available by various donors in support of sustainable forest management in developing countries.

It was agreed that the UNFF Secretariat would further elaborate the concept of the Sourcebook, including proposing an outline for the book, and that further preparation of the Sourcebook would be discussed at the next CPF meeting.

7. Next meeting

The CPF noted the importance of holding the next meeting in the very near future due to the heavy workload in the preparation of the CPF input to the UNFF’s work, and suggested preliminarily to hold the next meeting at the end of July. FAO offered to host the meeting in Rome. It was agreed that the Secretariat would consult with all CPF members and advise the dates for the next CPF meeting soonest.

8. Other matters

Jim Ball informed the members of the status of preparation of the Task Manager’s report on forests as an input to the Secretary-General’s report on the overall progress in sustainable development since Rio to the preparatory process of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD). He reiterated the call for CPF members’ inputs and comments to the paper by the end of June 2001.
ANNEX 1

Agenda
Meeting of the
Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF)
Saturday 16 June 2001, at 9:00 AM
United Nations Secretariat, New York
DC-2 building, 12th Floor, Conference Room,

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