



# **CBIT-Forest**

# Building global capacity to increase transparency in the forest sector (CBIT-Forest): accelerating capacity-building, knowledge-sharing and awareness raising

## WHAT

"Building global capacity to increase transparency in the forest sector (CBIT-Forest): accelerating capacity-building, knowledge-sharing and awareness raising" is an ambitious project led by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), designed to accelerate capacity-building, knowledge-sharing, and awareness-raising efforts in developing countries. The project aims to enhance the quality, timeliness, accessibility, and usability of forest-related data, in line with the enhanced transparency framework (ETF) requirements of the Paris Agreement.

## HOW

CBIT-Forest operates through:



Developing capacities for open and transparent data management at national, regional, and global levels.



Implementing innovative global composite learning programmes, combining virtual and in-person training.



Sharing knowledge and experiences to build international momentum around forests and transparency.



Strengthening and expanding networks with new regional partners, including academia, to ensure sustainable and transparent forest reporting.

## WHO

Born from a partnership between the FAO and the Global Environmental Fund (GEF), this collaborative project directly benefits 1 000 individuals and at least 20 countries, with a broader impact on 236 countries and territories associated with the FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) national correspondent network.

## **IMPACT**

The project addresses key barriers to enhance forest data transparency, such as data collection challenges in remote forest areas and improving data quality for reporting. It focuses on maintaining the momentum in engaging countries in transparent and open data for climate action, contributing to consistent and accurate forest-related data for global and national reporting efforts.

#### FUNDING AND COLLABORATION

Funded by the GEF, the project is a continuation of FAO's collaborative efforts in addressing the pressing challenges of climate change and forest conservation initiated under CBIT-Forest project (2020-2022), capitalizing on its achievements and the valuable lessons it has imparted.

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