

## Annex 3

### Further reading

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- FAO. 2007. *Negotiation and mediation techniques for natural resource management – trainer’s guide*. Rome.
- FAO. 2008. *Influencing policy processes – lessons from experience*. FAO Policy Assistance Series 4. Rome.
- FAO. 2009. *Enhancing stakeholder participation in national forest programmes – tools for practitioners*. Rome.
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- Odugbemi, S. & Jacobson, T., eds. 2008. *Governance reform under real world conditions – citizens, stakeholders and voice*. Washington, DC, USA, World Bank.
- World Bank. 2007. *Tools for institutional, political, and social analysis of policy reform – A Sourcebook for Development Practitioners*. Washington, DC, USA.

#### WEB SITES

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- NFP Facility: [www.nfp-facility.org](http://www.nfp-facility.org)
- Collaborative Partnership on Forests, Funding for sustainable forest management: [www.fao.org/forestry/cpf/sourcebook](http://www.fao.org/forestry/cpf/sourcebook)
- FAO EASYPOL, On-line resource materials for policy making: [www.fao.org/easypol](http://www.fao.org/easypol)
- World Bank Program on Forests (PROFOR), Knowledge and tools: [www.profor.info/profor/node/knowledge\\_tools](http://www.profor.info/profor/node/knowledge_tools)
- World Bank, Poverty and inequality analysis: [www.worldbank.org/psia](http://www.worldbank.org/psia)
- International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), Power tools for policy influence in natural resource management: [www.policy-powertools.org](http://www.policy-powertools.org)
- Eldis Resource Guide on Governance, [www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/governance](http://www.eldis.org/go/topics/resource-guides/governance)
- Governance and Social Development Resource Centre: [www.gsdrcc.org](http://www.gsdrcc.org)
- Evidence-Based Policy in Development Network: [www.ebpdn.org](http://www.ebpdn.org)
- Overseas Development Institute (UK), Resources: [www.odi.org.uk/resources](http://www.odi.org.uk/resources)

# Developing effective forest policy

## A guide

Many countries develop or revise forest policies to keep abreast of changing circumstances and to enhance the value of forests to society. Experience from these processes shows that substantial changes have occurred in the past 20 years in both the content of forest policies and the ways in which they are developed or revised. This guide aims to support countries in planning and conducting forest policy development processes. Based on a review of practical experiences, it outlines the rationale and purpose of a national forest policy and the different elements of the forest policy development process. This publication will help senior officials in government administrations and other stakeholder representatives, including civil society organizations and the private sector, in developing or revising national forest policy. Through this publication and related capacity-building support, FAO hopes to contribute to the development of forest policies that, based on emerging trends and broad agreement among stakeholders, can affirm and enhance the value and sustainable contributions of forests to society.

