

The International Society of Tropical Foresters (ISTF) and RECOFTC are hosting an event that explores the enabling environment for effectively engaging local communities in landscape restoration. Perspectives of farmers and local communities will be highlighted alongside those of government policy makers, the private sector and young forestry practitioners. The goal is to identify and learn about the elements that enable successful community-based landscapes.

Ecological restoration cannot succeed without the engagement and support of local people. National restoration programs, however, fail to put into place policies, strategies and support systems that effectively address the real needs of local people. Effective programs recognize the needs of local communities and match these with policies and government support. Tenure security, livelihood incentives, and market access are examples of elements that make restoration programs engaging for communities.

The session will give an overview of tropical landscape restoration and its current situation globally. A discussion about enabling conditions for effective restoration practice will follow, and in the end, practical ways to access both financial and other resources will be identified.



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Participants

Youth representatives and local community champions from ISTF and RECOFTC networks



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