

Side Event

Landscape Forestry in the Tropics: Science meets policy

**Towards policy approaches for improving livelihoods,
sustainable forest management and conservation**

Hybrid event: May 2, 2022 | 12:30 - 14:00 KST | 23:30-01:00 EST | 05:30-07:00 CET

Attend in person in COEX **CR 301B** or for an **online attendance**, please register [here](#)

Deforestation and forest degradation continue to pose a threat to both biodiversity and livelihoods of forest communities in many parts of the tropics. This side event provides a platform for science and policy actors to meet and discuss ways forward in combatting deforestation and forest degradation in the tropics, and how landscape-based approaches can receive more attention in policy processes such as REDD+ and forest landscape restoration initiatives.

Key results from the Landscape Forestry in the Tropics (LaForeT, www.la-foret.org) project will be accompanied by talks on opportunities and limitations of landscape approaches in Ecuador, Zambia, and the Philippines.

Panel discussion, including representatives from research, policy-making, and NGOs actively engaged in tropical landscape management, will focus on different policy options, such as protected areas, payments for ecosystem services or community-based forestry, and their potential for aligning forest conservation goals with livelihoods needs of local communities.

Presenters and panel participants

H.E. Bianca Dager Jervis, Vice Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Water and Ecological Transition, Ecuador

Dr. Bolier Torres, Professor, Universidad Estatal Amazónica, Ecuador

Dr. Gillian Kabwe, Professor, Copperbelt University, Zambia

Dr. Fainess Lumbwe, Deputy Director, WeForest Zambia

J.D. Jose Andres A. Canivel, Executive Director, Forest Foundation Philippines

Prof. Marlo Mendoza, Dean, University of the Philippines Los Baños, College of Forestry and Natural Resources

PD Dr. Sven Günter, LaForeT Project Leader, Thünen Institute of Forestry, Germany

Dr. Richard Fischer, Senior Scientist, Thünen Institute of Forestry, Germany

Dr. Melvin Lippe, Senior Scientist, Thünen Institute of Forestry, Germany

Moderation: **Dr. Eliza Zhunusova**, Senior Scientist, Thünen Institute of Forestry, Germany

Prof. Dr. Matthias Dieter, Director, Thünen Institute of Forestry, Germany

Program

12:30 – 12:35 Welcome, Matthias Dieter

12:35 – 13:00 Research findings

- Landscape Forestry in the Tropics (LaForeT project): Key lessons (S.Günter)
 - Followed by Q&A

13:00 – 13:25 Policy talks

- Lessons learned from the Ecuadorian incentive Socio Bosque: What has changed in Amazonian landscapes? (B. Torres)
- Formal and traditional governance in Zambia: community forestry as measure for reconciling livelihoods and forest integrity? (G. Kabwe)
- Can Community-Based Forest Management foster landscape restoration in the Philippines? (M. Lippe and J.A. Canivel)
- Which reforestation and conservation measures can stop deforestation in the next 10 years? A stakeholder perspective on policy instruments and their mixes (R. Fischer)
- Key policy messages from Ecuador, Zambia, and the Philippines (E. Zhunusova)

13:25 – 13:55 Panel Discussion

Opening statements:

- How can incentive based instruments contribute to forest conservation? (B. Dager Jervis)
- How can research findings facilitate landscape restoration? (M. Mendoza)
- How can community forest management benefit from science? (F. Lumbwe)

13:55 Concluding remarks, Matthias Dieter

Side event organizers

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