

The Warsaw Framework for REDD+ (WFR)



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Objective of this Presentation

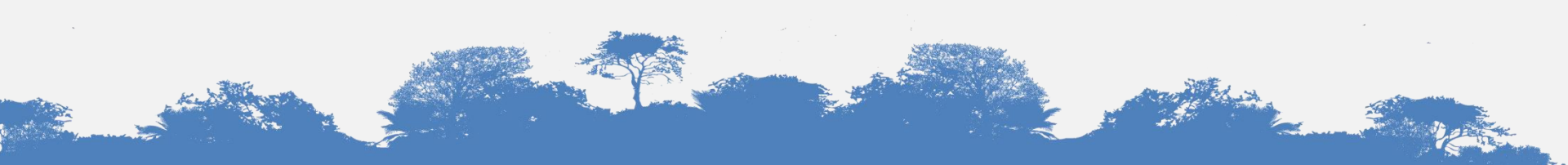
- To introduce the new guidance from the UNFCCC COP on national forest monitoring systems (NFMS) and measurement, reporting and verification (MRV) for REDD+
- For more information:
- UNFCCC Web Platform:
http://unfccc.int/methods/redd/redd_web_platform/items/4531.php
- All UNFCCC documents relating to REDD+:
<http://unfccc.int/methods/lulucf/items/6917.php>



Before the WFR...

Six decisions on REDD+ published by UNFCCC before the Warsaw meeting:

- **2/CP.13:** Part of the Bali Action Plan; encouraged the mobilization of resources for capacity building on REDD+
- **4/CP.15:** Methodological guidance
- **1/CP.16:** Cancun agreements which provided a first framework for the implementation of REDD+ activities
- **2/CP.17:** Financing options for the implementation of REDD+ activities
- **12/CP.17:** Guidance on systems for providing information on how all the safeguards and modalities relating to FRELs/FRLs
- **1/CP.18:** Agreed outcome pursuant to the Bali Action Plan



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Overview of the WFR

- Seven decisions on REDD+; almost completes guidance for REDD+ implementation
- Includes individual decisions on NFMS and MRV
- **9/CP.19:** Work programme on results-based finance for the full implementation of REDD+ activities
- **10/CP.19:** Coordination of support for the implementation of REDD+ activities, including institutional arrangements
- **11/CP.19: Modalities for national forest monitoring systems**
- **12/CP.19:** Timing and the frequency of presentations of the summary of information on how all the REDD+ safeguards are being addressed and respected
- **13/CP.19:** Guidelines and procedures for the technical assessment of forest reference emission levels and/or forest reference levels (FRELs/FRLs)
- **14/CP.19: Modalities for measuring, reporting and verifying**
- **15/CP.19:** Addressing the drivers of deforestation and forest degradation



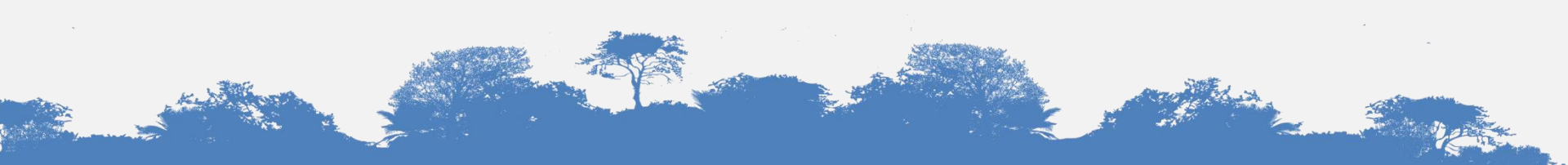
Decision 11/CP.19

MODALITIES FOR NATIONAL FOREST MONITORING SYSTEMS



WFR: Modalities for NFMS

- Just over one page of guidance
- Reiterates guidance in Decision 4/CP.15
 - NFMS should follow **IPCC guidance and guidelines** for estimating:
 - Forest-related GHG emissions and removals
 - Forest carbon stocks
 - Forest carbon stock changes
 - Forest area changes
- Data and information from NFMS should be:
 - **Transparent**
 - **Consistent** over time
 - Suitable for measuring, reporting and verifying
 - Should be consistent with guidance on MRV for NAMAs



WFR: Modalities for NFMS

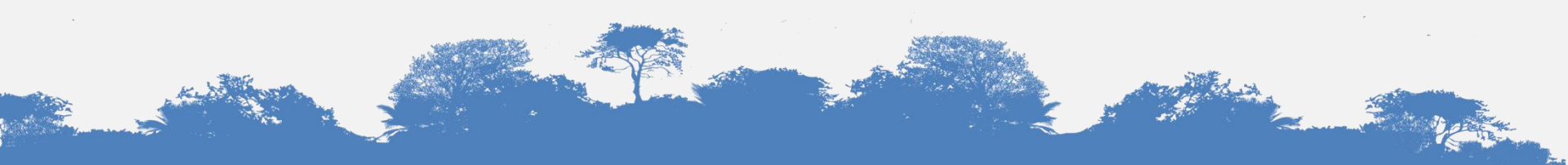
- NFMS should:
 - Build on existing systems
 - Enable the **assessment of different types of forest** in a country, including natural forest, as defined by a country
 - Be **flexible** and allow for improvement
 - Reflect a **phased approach** to REDD+ implementation
- Acknowledges that NFMSs may provide relevant information for the provision of information on the **REDD+ safeguards**





Decision 14/CP.19

MODALITIES FOR MEASURING, REPORTING AND VERIFYING



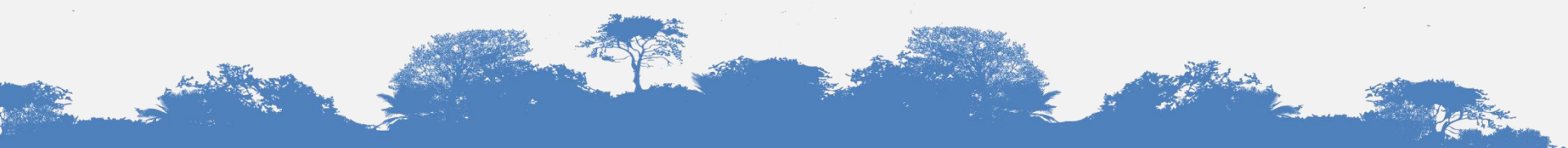
Modalities for MRV for REDD+

- Just over two pages of guidance
- Recognizes need for **capacity building** for MRV
- Data and information for MRV should be **transparent, consistent over time** and consistent with forest reference levels
- Climate change mitigation results of REDD+ activities should be measured in **tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per year**
- Encourages countries to **improve data and methodologies over time**
- Data/results should be reported through **Biennial Update Reports (BURs)**



Modalities for MRV for REDD+

- To obtain payments for REDD+ results, countries should provide a **technical annex** in their BUR
 - Submission of technical annex is voluntary
- **Two LULUCF experts** (one from a developed/one from a developing country) will be part of the BUR review team
- Includes indications of how the experts will analyze the technical annex
 - E.g. checking for **consistency, transparency, completeness, accuracy**
- Includes indications of how expert teams will **interact with countries**
 - E.g. for clarifications
- MRV for market-based approaches may be subject to further modalities for verification – which may be developed by the COP



Thank you!

