Advisory Committee on Sustainable Forest-based Industries

62nd Annual Meeting

Tuesday 27 April 2021 (Day one)
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2. Welcome

- Message from Mette Wilkie (Director of FAO Forestry Division)
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

2020-2030 ACSFI Strategic Framework implementation

- ACSFI Strategic Review and Framework endorsed and completed
- Governance: Membership for discussion today
- Increased outreach and awareness raising activities
- Focus on the development of strategic partnerships
- COVID-19 response: information exchanged
- Promotion of bioeconomy: EFI report release by mid 2021
- Initiate work on Decade for Ecosystem Restoration
- SDGs: ACSFI reports include recommendations for impact
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

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- Increased outreach and awareness raising activities

  - At a Glance brochure
  - Regular website updates
  - Regular ACSFI bulletin distributed
  - Regular “tweets”
  - ACSFI Statements
  - 6 webinars organized
  - Participation in 7 (non-ACSFI) events (FAO, UNFF, UNECE, WFC)
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

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- COVID-19 response: information exchanged
  - ✔ Statement
  - ✔ 2 webinars
  - ✔ Report COVID-19 Impacts on the Global Forest Sector: 2020 and Beyond

The Advisory Committee on Sustainable Forest-based Industries (ACFSU) is a statutory body that seeks to harmonize the sustainable consumption and production of forest products. It also provides a forum for dialogue between Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the private sector, with a view to identifying strategic actions that prevent unsustainable forest management. The ACFSU supports the COVID-19 pandemic in impacting all aspects of our lives across the world, including the food supply chain and markets, as well as people’s lives, livelihoods, and nutrition.

The ACFSU highlights that during the pandemic, forest products have played a crucial role in keeping people safe and healthy by providing personal protective equipment, and other essential goods and services, including timber and forest products. Forests are a key contributor to global responses to the pandemic and have appropriately recognized in many parts of the world as essential services.

The ACFSU endorses and adapts the calls of global leaders during the COVID-19 pandemic to protect, sustain, and restore forests and forest-based industries, aiming at growing a greener economy, demonstrating that people and forest-based industries are essential for sustaining the global economy.

The ACFSU supports the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goal 14: ‘Life Below Water’, which aims to conserve and restore forests and forest-based industries, by advocating for policies that recognize the role of forests in mitigating climate change and ensuring sustainable use of forest resources.

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO): Building back a better post-COVID-19 world with sustainable forest products.

The FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is a specialized agency of the United Nations that leads international efforts to ensure food and nutrition security and to advance rural development and sustainable agriculture.

COVID-19 response: information exchanged

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THE ROLE OF FOREST PRODUCTS IN THE GLOBAL BIOECONOMY
Possible actions for substitution to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

- Initiate work on Decade for Ecosystem Restoration (webinar 200 attendees and background report being prepared)

Challenges and opportunities for the forest sector’s engagement in ecosystem restoration

Research shows that some two billion hectares of world’s deforested and degraded landscapes offer potential for restoration. Led by the Food and Agriculture Organization and the United Nations Environment Programme, the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration runs from 2021 – 2030. Complementing that initiative, the 2020-2030 ACSFI Strategic Framework identifies the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration as a topic of strategic importance.

This webinar sought to understand the relevance, opportunities and risks for the forest-based industries sector to engage in ecosystem restoration activities. It opened with a message from the FAO Forestry Division Director, Ms Mette Wilkie, who highlighted that “the private sector is critical to the long-term restoration, conservation and sustainable use of the world’s forests”.

These messages were followed by a presentation by Mr Ludwig Liagre, FAO consultant, who provided the first results of an ACSFI background paper focused on the engagement of the private forest sector in ecosystem restoration. Mr Liagre highlighted that many forest-based companies already significantly contribute to ecosystem restoration, both operationally and financially, but with little publicity around it. It was also recognized that while many forest companies are engaged in ecosystem restoration, there may still be a gap between pioneers and many other forest-based industry stakeholders lacking capacities and knowledge to engage adequately.
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

- SDGs
  - ACSFI reports include recommendations for impact
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

ACSFI 2021-2022 work plan

**ACSFI-Purpose**
Provide a forum for dialogue between FAO and the private sector to enhance the understanding of emerging opportunities, and to identify and stimulate strategic actions by FAO, the private sector and other stakeholders that promote sustainable forest management and sustainable consumption and production patterns related to forest products.

**ACSFI-Strategic-Goal**
Over the next decade, the ACSFI will advise FAO in its work towards the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and seek to enhance FAO’s impact by catalyzing innovative forest-related actions through partnerships between FAO, the private sector and other stakeholders.

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<td>1.1 Steering Committee Meeting</td>
<td>December 2020, March 2021, November 2021</td>
<td>→ FAO Secretariat to organise, → Steering Committee participation</td>
<td>→ Informed &amp; engaged Steering Committee, → Clear and agreed work plan, → Clear guidance on processes for delivery of 2021 ACSFI meeting</td>
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<td>1.2 62nd Annual ACSFI Session</td>
<td>April 2021</td>
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<td>→ Informed and engaged ACSFI Committee, → Clear messaging to deliver to COFOB</td>
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<td>1.3 World Forestry Congress</td>
<td>May 2022</td>
<td>→ FAO Secretariat to organise events with participation from selected ACSFI members and other FAO and external partners</td>
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<td>2.1 Delivery of ACSFI 2020-2030 Strategic Framework</td>
<td>1st quarter 2021</td>
<td>→ FAO Secretariat</td>
<td>→ Clear guidance responding to ACSFI actions and initiatives</td>
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3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

ACSFI 2021-2022 work plan

Core events: Word Forestry Congress

Governance:
- Delivery of ACSFI Strategic Review and Framework
- New members and observers

Strategic initiatives:
- Bioeconomy: EFI report, Statement, study on wood residues, industrial roundwood production from plantations (with IPC)
- Decade on Ecosystem Restoration: Webinar, background paper, Statement

To be included:
- State of the Forest Report 2022
- International Day of Forest 2022
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

- World Forestry Congress

NEW CONGRESS DATES
2–6 MAY 2022
Coex, Seoul, Republic of Korea
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

- SOFO
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

- IDF 2022
3. Update from the ACSFI Secretariat

ACSF 2021-2022 work plan

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The ACSFI Secretariat asks for endorsement of 2021-22 work plan
4. Proposed approach to appoint new ACSFI members and observers

ACSFI Strategic Review

- **Finding 1:** The ACSFI governance system has served the Committee well in its work to date. However, changes are required for the Committee to continue to deliver value in the current global context and to become more forward-looking in its membership, role and contribution to the mission of FAO

- **Recommendation 1.1** FAO should *broaden the membership* of the ACSFI to its maximum, to include additional relevant parts of the forest sector, additional technical expertise, and more representative geographical coverage. Rules for the regular inclusion of observers should be elaborated
### 4. Proposed approach to appoint new ACSFI members and observers

## Members per geographical location

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**PRESENT MEMBERS**

**STEERING COMMITTEE**

**PROPOSED MEMBERS**
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Members per main categories

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**PRESENT OBSERVERS**

**PROPOSED OBSERVERS (by the Secretariat)**

**PROPOSED OBSERVERS (by the Strategic Review)**
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Approach

- You will be divided into breakout groups according to your geographic region
- 30 mins discussion
- Guiding questions
4. Proposed approach to appoint new ACSFI members and observers

ACSFI Member questions: Geographic and supply chain considerations

1. Please consider members from new countries from your geographic region
2. Are there any possible members from organizations relevant to the ACSFI representing relevant (including emerging) supply chains?
3. What are your top three priorities respectively?

ACSFI Observers questions

1. What inputs do we expect from observers to play in the ACSFI?
2. Reflecting on the observer proposal in the papers, please provide the top 5 suggestions. Are there any other organizations that should be considered as observer to the ACSFI?
4. Proposed approach to appoint new ACSFI members and observers

REPORTING BACK
5. Update on SW4SW and related outreach and communication

- ...
6. ACSFI Chair and Vice Chair changes

THANK YOU
FOR THE INCREDIBLE CHAIRING!
THE ACSFI WILL TRULY MISS YOU
7. Any other business

- ...
Thank you for your participation!

See you tomorrow!