

7.1 FAO's programme of work in forestry under the reviewed strategic framework

The 38th session of the FAO Conference in June 2013 approved the [Reviewed Strategic Framework 2010-19](#), the [Director-General's Medium-Term Plan 2014-17 \(MTP/PWB\)](#), and the [Programme of Work and Budget 2014-15 \(MTP/PWB\)](#). The Strategic Framework includes FAO's Vision, the revised Global Goals, the five new Strategic Objectives, as well as a sixth objective on technical quality, knowledge and services and the cross-cutting themes of gender and governance. The MTP/PWB sets out the results framework with outcomes, outputs and measurable indicators of achievement. The Conference emphasized that the five Strategic Objectives represented those areas of work on which FAO will focus its efforts in support of Member Nations and welcomed their cross-cutting nature, which will enable the Organization to work in a multi-disciplinary and integrated manner.

Priority areas for FAO's work in the forest sector over the medium-term have been informed by three main strategy streams:

- i. FAO's reviewed Strategic Framework and new Medium-Term Plan
- ii. Trends and issues that will influence FAO's work in the forestry sector during the medium term 2014-17
- iii. Regional priorities as endorsed by [FAO Regional Conferences](#)

Priorities for FAO's work in forestry in the medium term are derived from a number of key trends and emerging issues identified through the [Regional Forestry Commissions](#) (RFCs), on-going international processes, recent editions of SOFO and the review of the Strategic Framework – with actions based in areas where FAO can play a pivotal role in line with its comparative advantage in order to contribute to the three Global Goals and therefore to the achievement of each of [FAO's Strategic Objectives](#).

FAO's work during the 2012-13 biennium focused on the key six areas of work represented by the Organizational Results of Strategic Objective E, with particular care taken to respond to past recommendations of the Committee and RFCs. A more detailed summary of achievements is presented in the [FAO Programme Implementation Report 2012-13](#).

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