

**Report by**

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**To the Comité de Paris held on 8 December 2015**

**On their informal consultations undertaken on Forests**

Excellency, Minister Laurent Fabius,  
Distinguished Heads of delegations and delegates,

- My co-facilitators and I would like to thank you for the opportunity to contribute and facilitate the work between Parties at this important juncture of the process and to lead the discussions on forests, which many have noted are important for all countries.
- Parties met this afternoon at informal consultations led by us on issues relating to forests in the Agreement text. The Parties shared their views on how the new Agreement and its accompanying decision can send a strong and clear signal to facilitate the promotion of sustainable management of terrestrial sinks and reservoirs.
- We are happy to note that there appears to be general understanding that forests are important for all countries and play an important role in climate change mitigation and adaptation and that this ought to be reflected somehow in the Agreement.
- In summary, Parties, in identifying their “must haves” also identified possible compromise solutions. We are certain that these can be further developed to form landing zones for textual reflection in the agreement.
- My Co-facilitators and I would like to assure you of our continued support for the successful adoption of the Paris Outcome on Friday.

Thank you.