

## **Dr. Peter Holmgren**

Appointed in September 2012, Dr. Peter Holmgren is the Director General of the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), where he leads a team of 240 scientists and staff operating in or conducting research in more than 45 countries. Under his leadership CIFOR has grown to a USD 49 million Center in 2014, a growth of about 15% per year. Dr. Holmgren has a PhD in Forestry and 25 years of experience in international forestry and agriculture.

Prior to CIFOR, Dr. Holmgren worked at the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) where assignments included leading and developing the profile and coordination of FAO's climate change work and FAO's contributions to the UNFCCC process. At the FAO he also coordinated Global Forest Resources Assessment, played a leading role in establishing the UN-REDD programme and led the development of the Climate Smart Agriculture concept.

Dr. Holmgren is credited for leading the dialogue to enhance the role of forests in the Global Development Agenda to address the major challenges of our time: poverty, food security, climate change and green economy. A champion of the Landscape Approach, Dr. Holmgren also launched the Global Landscape Forum, which is today the world's largest conference on integrated land use.