

Standing Committee of Finance side event – Enhancing coherence and coordination of forest finance

Date: Monday, 23 May, 2016
Venue: Bonn III, World Conference Center Bonn
Time: 13:15 to 14:45

Objective

The SCF will present an overview of its work on coherence and coordination of forest finance. Moreover, the side event will serve as a platform for exchanging views and information on how to enhance coherence and coordination of forest finance, including in the area of results-based payments.

Programme

- 13:15 – 13:20 Opening remarks and overview on the SCF's work on forest finance
by Georg Børsting, SCF member
- 13:20 – 13:25 Presentation on the outcomes of the *Third Forum of the Standing Committee on Finance: Issues relating to finance for forests*
by Outi Honkatukia, SCF Co-Chair
- 13:25 – 13:35 Presentation on forest finance in climate strategies and policies
by Paul Oquist Kelley, Minister, Private Secretary for National Policies, Presidency of the Republic Nicaragua and SCF member
- 13:35 – 14:25 Panel discussion on coherence and coordination of forest finance and ways and means to transfer payments for results-based actions
facilitated by Georg Børsting, SCF member
- Panelists:*
- *Juan Chang, Green Climate Fund*
 - *Jyoti Mathur-Filipp, UNREDD Programme*
 - *Benjamin Singer, United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF)*
 - *Ellysar Baroudy, World Bank: forest climate change funds (BioCF, FCPF, FIP)*
 - *Fabiola Navarrete, National Forestry Commission of Mexico (CONAFOR)*
 - *Melissa Pinfield, Department of Energy and Climate Change, UK*
- 14:25 – 14:45 Q&A discussion

Guiding questions/ topics for the discussion

Panelists and participants will be invited to:

- Share experiences and lessons learnt on harmonizing guidelines and methodologies for results-based payments (RBPs) as per Warsaw Framework, both at bilateral and multilateral levels;
- Financing entities in particular: Provide an update on the procedures and timelines for consideration of funding proposals for REDD+ activities, including RBPs, and share information on their coordination with other providers of forest finance;
- Share experiences and best practices on:
 - how policy coherence and coordination of actions can be enhanced at the national level across various sectors, e.g. between forestry and sectors that drive deforestation, such as agriculture, to achieve reductions in deforestation and forest degradation;
 - how enhanced coherence and coordination at all levels can facilitate access to and delivery of support for readiness and implementation of results-based actions on REDD+.