

The Bonn Challenge:

Where it came from and where it is going - Germany's contribution to restoration -

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Guiding ideas — Bonn Challenge

- Bridge between the CBD and UNFCCC
- Safe existing and restore lost forests
- Combine CBD Aichi Target 15 (2010) with the REDD. Mechanism
- Use the landscape approach
- Forest Day 6 regarded "living landscapes" as area of sustainable development "REDD+, Biodiversity and People"

1-2 September 2011 event resulted in the Bonn Challenge on Forests, Climate Change and Biodiversity

Target launched to:

Restore

150 Million

Hectares

by 2020



2 September, 2011 Ministerial Roundtable









How will this work?

- Contributions to the Bonn Challenge are commitments to initiate restoration
- Pledges can come from governments, private enterprises, communities, NGOs
- Announced and publicized through eg. Plant-a-Pledge website http://plantapledge.com
- Recently at the Abu Dhabi Ascent, May 4-5, <u>SESSION 2:</u>
 <u>Accelerating Forest Restoration</u> another 150 million hectares by 2030 as part of the Post-2015 Development Agenda and the 2015 Paris climate agreements

Status of pledges

Pledges announced during Rio+20

- US Forest Service:15 million hectares
- Rwanda:2 million hectares
- Brazil Mata Atlantica Restoration Pact:

1 million+ hectares

Pre-pledges (expressions of intent)

- Alianza Mesoamericana de Pueblos y Bosques: 20 million hectares
- El Savador: 1 million hectares
- India: 10 million
 hectares (CBD CoP 11)
 Green Mission India / Eco-restoration
 using Landscape Approach

Policy framework for the Bonn Challenge and Forest/Landscape Restoration

Restoring 150 million hectares will contribute to achieving existing international commitments:

- UNFCCC REDD+ goal and COP decisions
- CBD Strategic Plan Aichi target 15 and CBD CoP Decision XI/16
- 4 Global Objectives of the UNFF, adopted by the GA
- UNFCCC and Rio+20 action on land degradation
- Millennium Development Goals
- UN Updated Comprehensive Framework for Action on Food Security

At the national policy level this translates into integration of FLR into:

- Agriculture and land use plans
- National REDD+ strategy development processes
- National biodiversity strategies and action plans
- Poverty reduction plans
- Low carbon development plans, Etc.

IUCN Resolution No. 158

IUCN Members' Assembly in September 2012:

- Urged Governments, civil society organizations, corporations, research institutions and the donor community to:
 - Define specific pledges as contributions to the Bonn Challenge target of restoring 150 million hectares of lost forest and degraded lands by 2020; and
 - Develop strategies for meeting the Bonn Challenge and make available sufficient resources for doing so; and
- Requested the Director General to:
 - Strongly encourage IUCN Members, Council,
 Commissions and National and Regional Committees to actively support the Bonn Challenge

Germany's contribution to Restoration

- Global political initiative → Bonn Challenge (CBD/UNFCCC, CCD/UNFF)
- Financial instrument: International Climate Initiative (ICI)
 www.international-climate-initiative.com/en/_
- Domestic Instrument "Waldklimafonds" → Forest-Climate Fund
- → Both are financed by domestic auctioning of emission allowances

planning Bonn Challenge 2.0 → March 2015





Thank You!