



**FORESTS 2011**

# The outcomes of the Ninth Session of the UNFF

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# UNFF9 in brief



- Forests for people, livelihoods & poverty eradication
- CBFM, SD, indigenous & other forest-dependent communities, social & cultural aspects
- Non legally binding instrument on all types forests (Forest Instrument)
- High Level Ministerial Segment
  - International Year of Forests (Forests 2011)
  - Panel discussions & roundtables
  - Multistakeholder dialogue



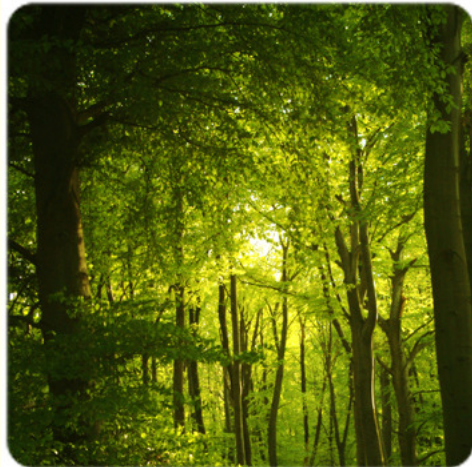
# UNFF9 key outcomes



- Ministerial Declaration
- UNFF9 Resolution on Forests for People, Livelihoods & Poverty Eradication
- Launch of Forests 2011



# Ministerial Declaration adopted



- Forests crucial for sustainable development, the internationally agreed development goals (incl. MDGs)
- Significant contribution in addressing global challenges
- Urgent need to reverse current deforestation trend
- Encouraged the promotion of synergies & noted that SFM encompasses a comprehensive approach to forest values
- Input to Rio +20 Conference-2012



# Ministers' commitment



- Ministers commit to:
  - Improve the livelihoods of people and communities
  - Develop and implement cross-sectoral and multi-institutional policies, mechanisms and actions
  - Accelerate implementation of the Forest Inst.
  - Take a meaningful decision on forest financing in UNFF10 (2013)
  - Implement forest-related outcomes of the high-level segment meeting of the General Assembly on the MDGs agreed in September 2010
  - Work with the governing bodies of CPF members



# Resolution on Forests for People, Livelihoods & Poverty Eradication



- Recognized SFM as critical for people, the economy and nature
- A stronger call for action for enhanced cooperation & regional involvement
- MoU between UNFFS and CBD, UNCCD, GEF, ITTO
- International Day of Forests



# Resolution (cont.)



- Cross-sectoral & Cross-institutional coordination to integrate SFM into national development programmes and plans
- Incorporate education to curricula
- Enhance water supply from forests





# Forests 2011



**INTERNATIONAL YEAR  
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- Raise awareness on the full suite of SFM issues (reforestation, conservation, development, livelihoods, etc)
- Launched during HLS of UNFF9
- Officially opened by SG Ban Ki-Moon
- Multiple speeches
- IYF film festival winning films showed
- Focal point: UNFF Secretariat



<http://www.un.org/en/events/iyof2011>



# Way forward



- **UNFF10, 2013: Forests and Economic Development**
  - Forest products and services
  - NFPs and other sectoral policies & strategies
  - Reducing risks and impacts of disasters
  - Benefits of forests & trees to urban communities
  - An emerging issue may also be considered
- **UNFF11, 2015: Forests: Progress, Challenges and the Way Forward for the International Arrangement on Forests**
  - Review effectiveness of int.arrangements on forests, UN forest instrument
  - Review contribution made by forests to IADGs, incl. MDGs.



# Biodiversity & Forests: Areas of Cooperation



- MOU 2009- New opportunities and activities
- Joint workshops & panel events
- Joint publications (i.e. value of forest biodiversity for livelihoods & human well-being; Earth's Living Treasure – 22 May 11')
- S-S cooperation & regional dialogues
- Building cooperation with other sectors
- Targeted messages – on importance of, & benefits provided by, forests & SFM
- Communication & outreach: Int'l Year of Biodiversity & Int'l Year of Forests



Thank you for your attention!



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