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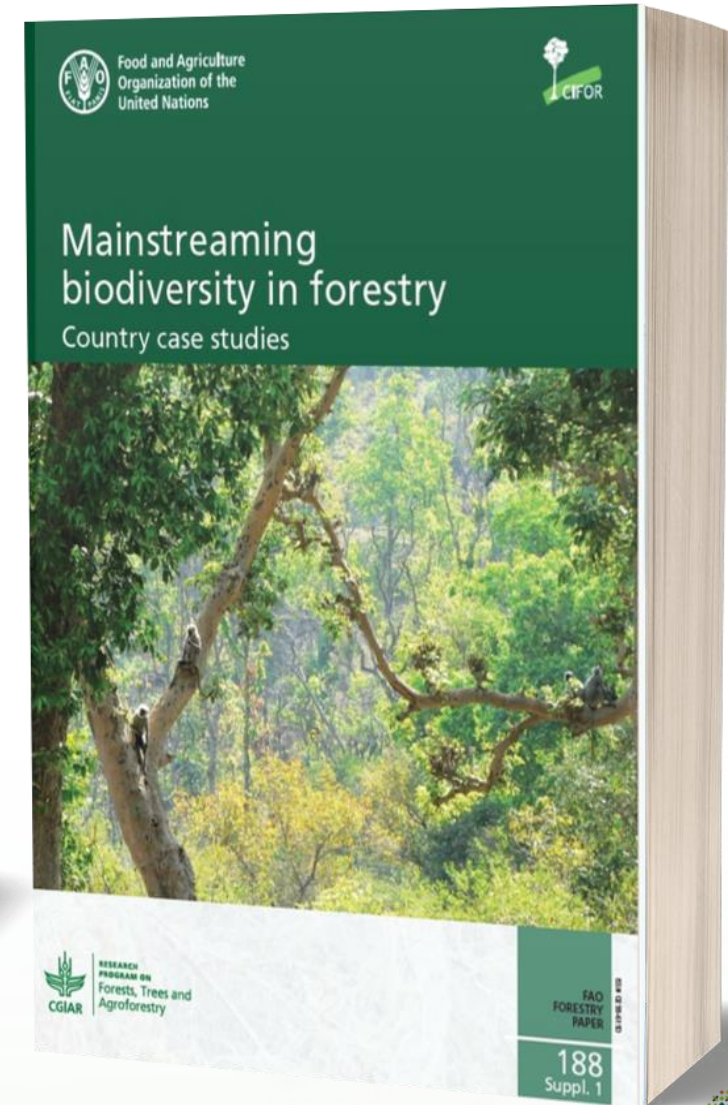
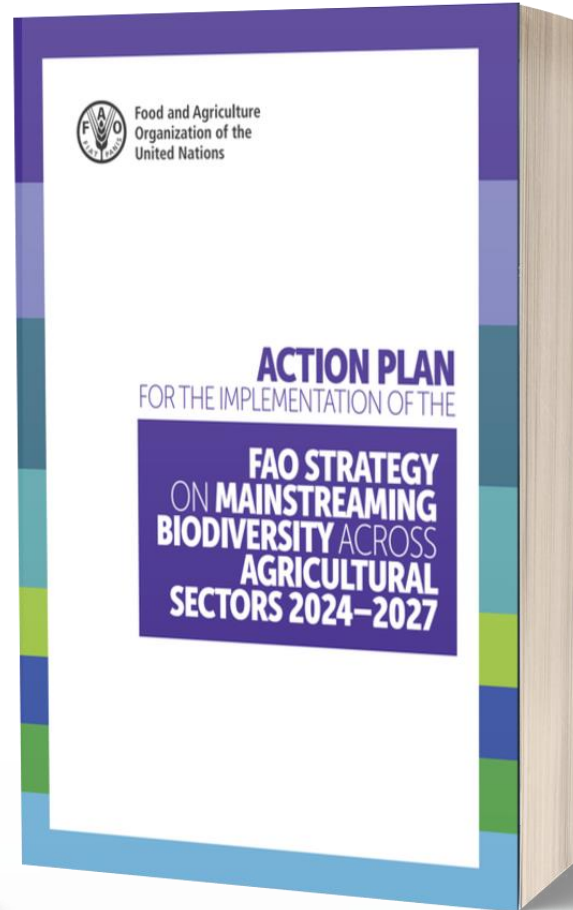
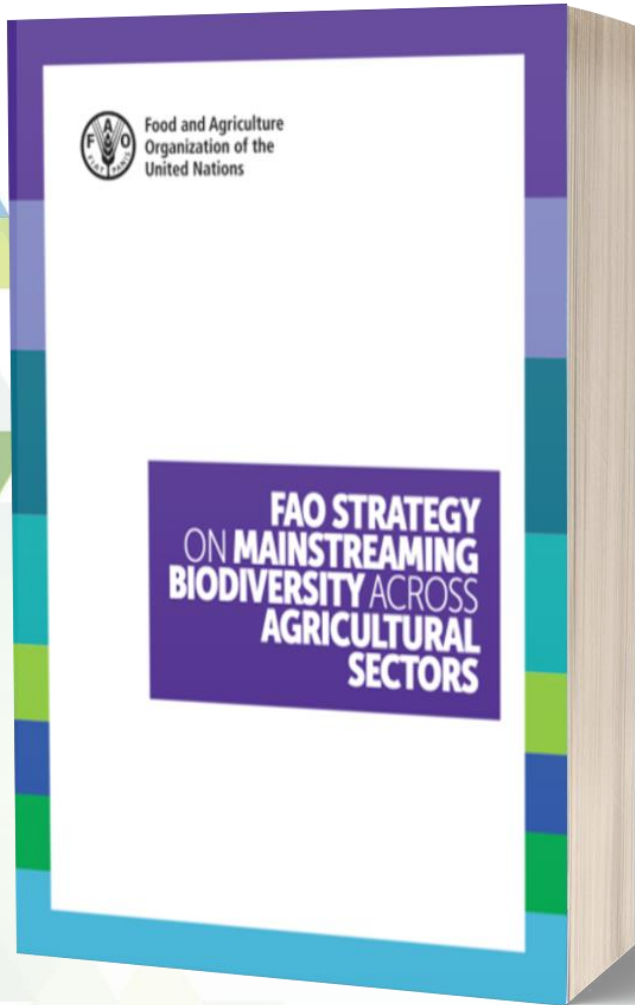
FAO's work on Mainstreaming Biodiversity in Forestry

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FAO's work on mainstreaming biodiversity



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Convention on
Biological Diversity



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GIAHS: Mainstreaming Biodiversity through Living Agricultural Systems

- **GIAHS** conserve biodiversity *through active production*, rather than separating conservation from agriculture.
- GIAHS promote **dynamic conservation**: biodiversity evolves and is maintained through farmers' continued use and innovation.
- GIAHS support the conservation of:
 - **Genetic diversity**
 - **Landscape diversity**
 - **Traditional knowledge**

A unique FAO approach that supports the implementation of KMGBF

Globally Important
**AGRICULTURAL
HERITAGE**
Systems

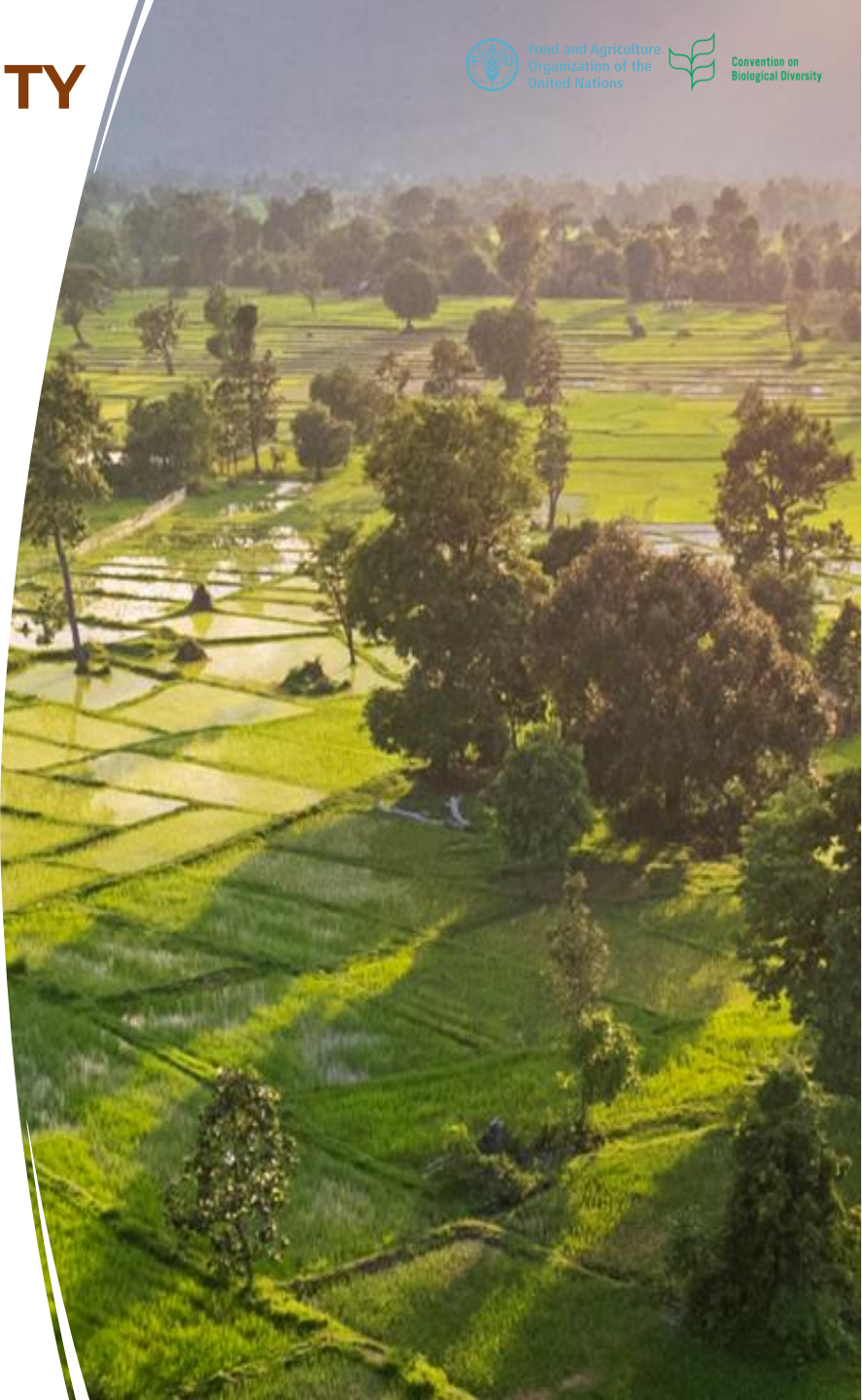
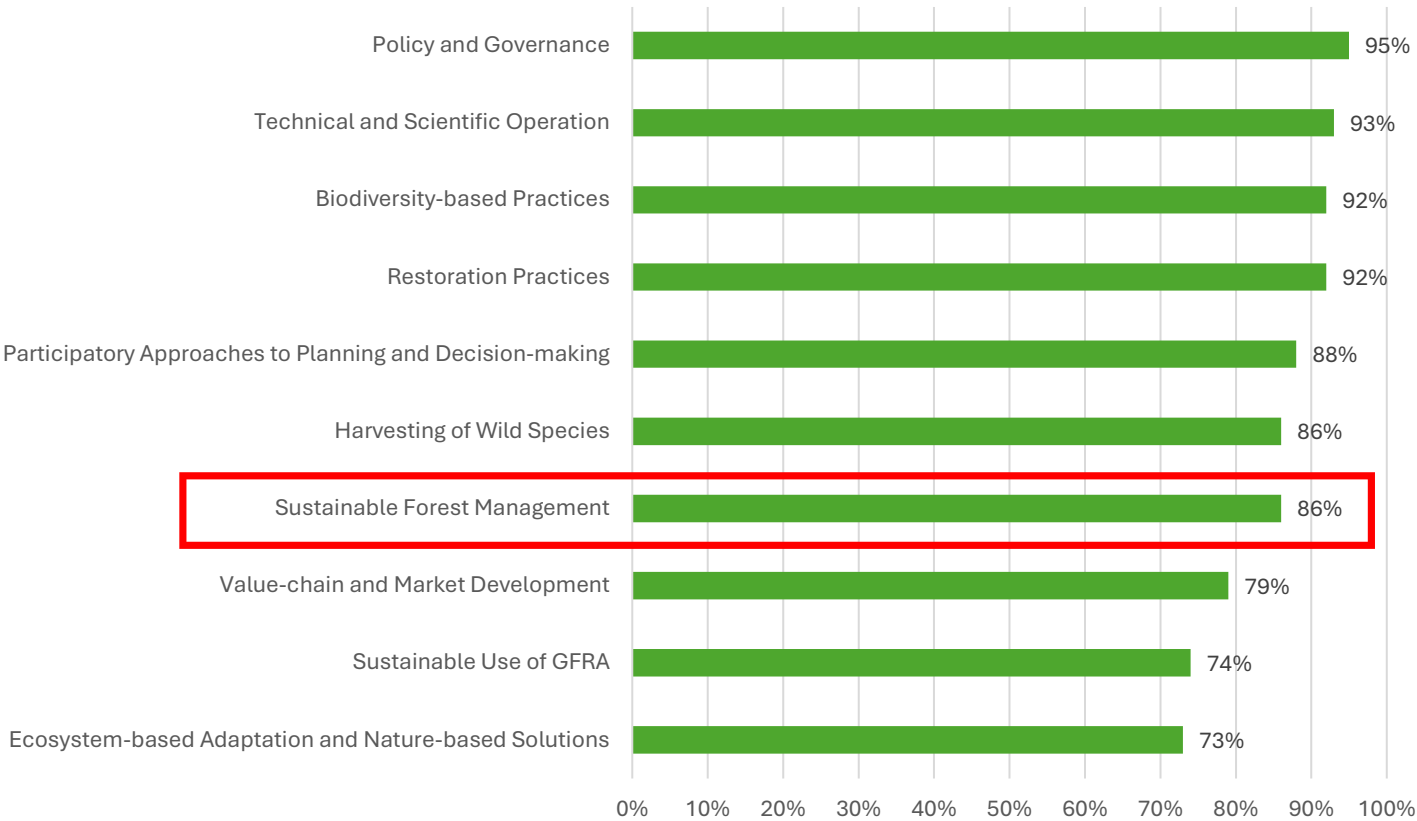


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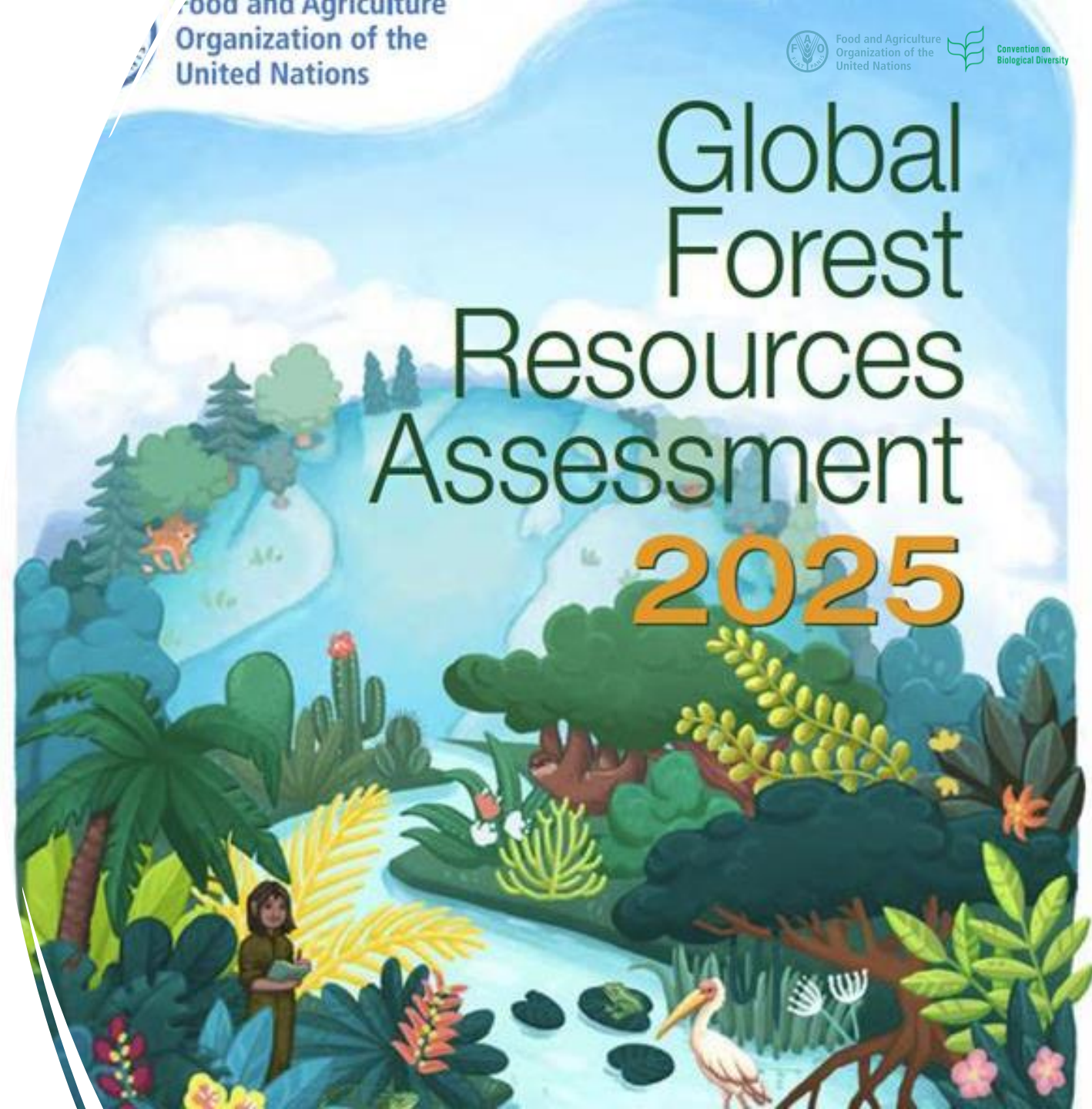
AGRIFOOD SYSTEMS IN NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS – FAO Analysis (2026)

Most NBSAPs include restoration practices in agrifood systems (92 percent) and sustainable forest management (86 percent)

Top 10 Agrifood-Related Actions in NBSAPs



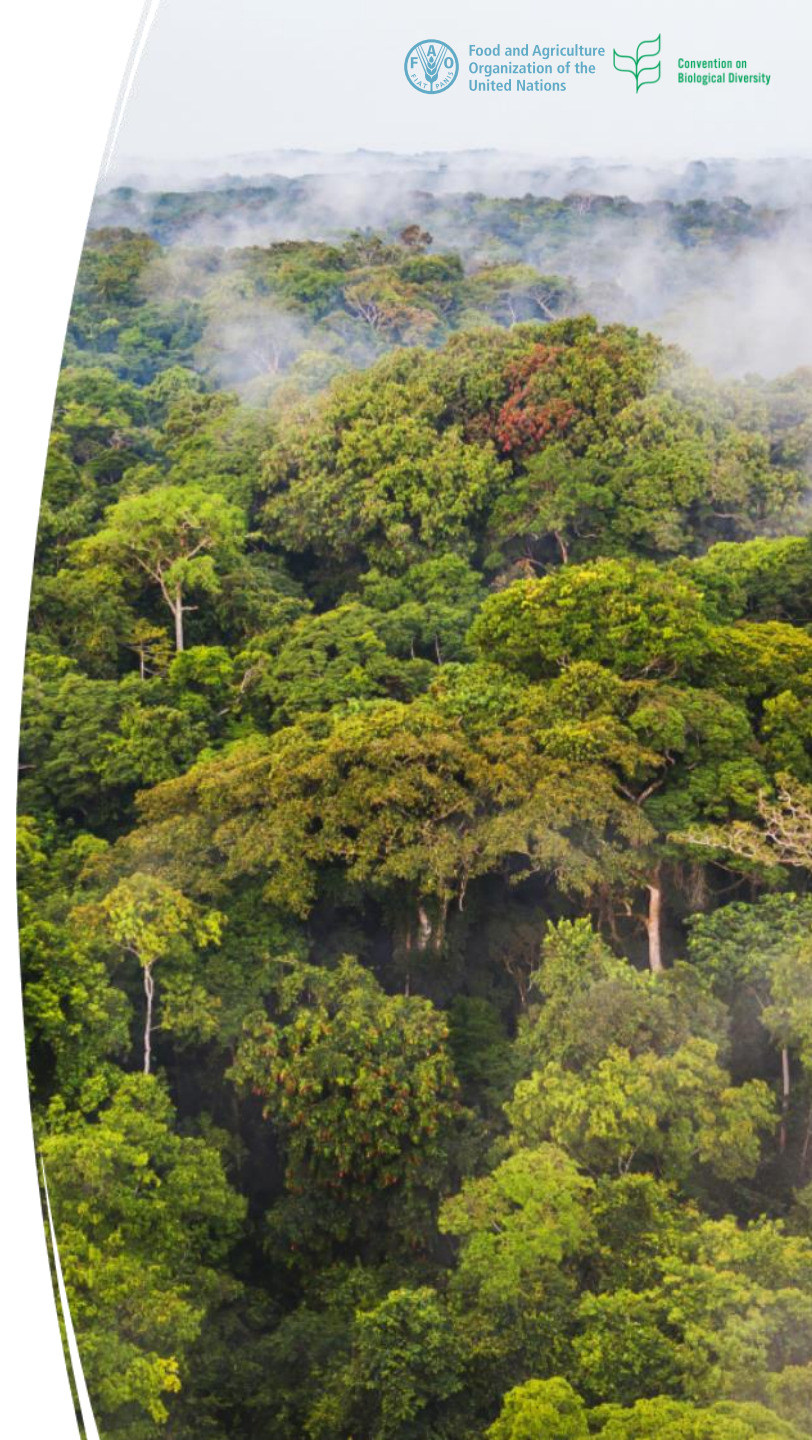
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- Forests cover about one third of the Earth's surface (4.14 billion ha)
 - Since 1990, 489 million ha of forest has been lost globally
 - Fire: 127 million ha affected annually (2007-2019)
 - Disease: 9.16 million ha affected annually (2002-2020)
 - Insect: 34.1 million ha affected annually (2002-2020)
 - Primary forests – highly biodiverse ecosystems – have lost 110 million ha since 1990
 - Nearly 12 percent of the world's forests is allocated for biodiversity conservation



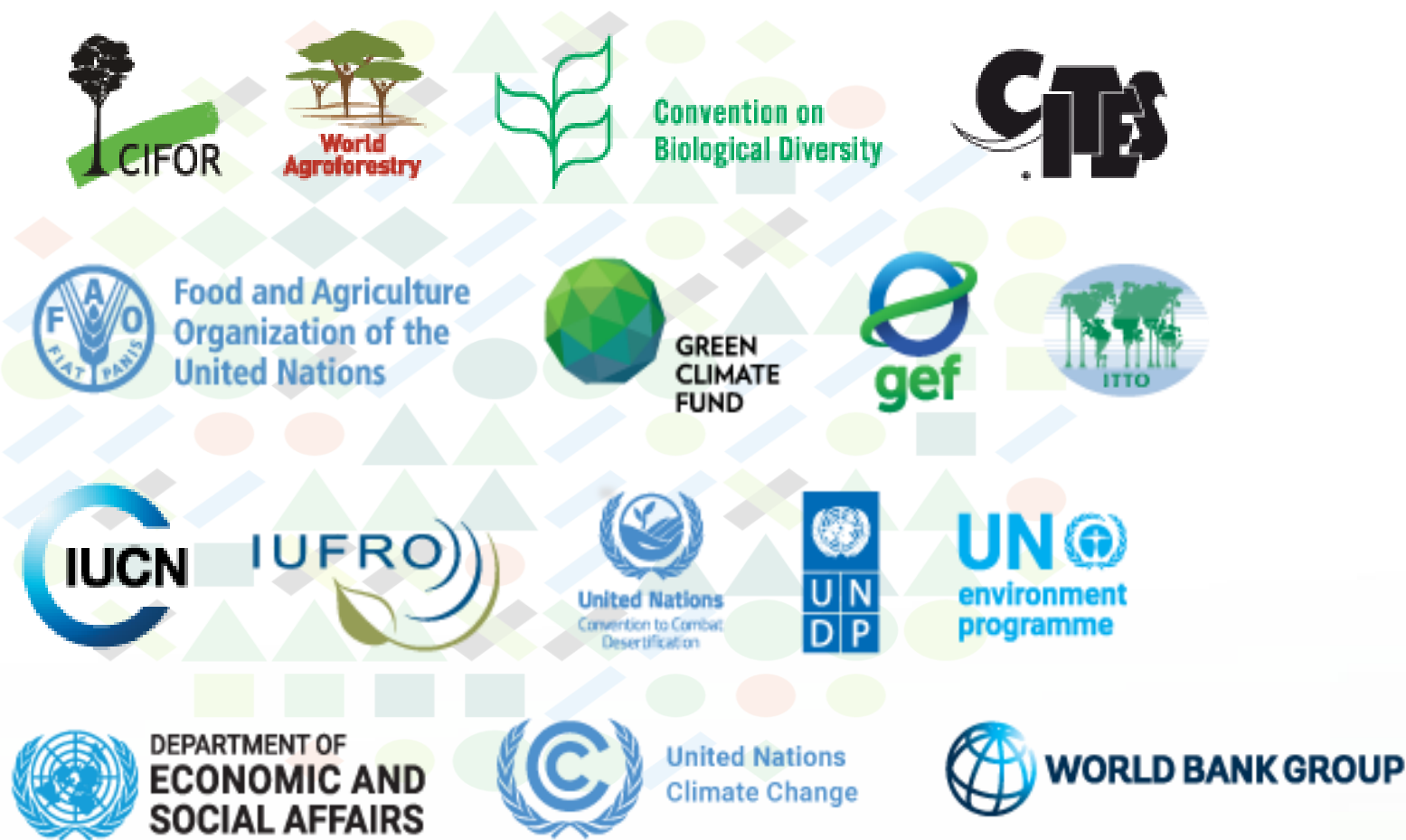
Advancing Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) – actions on the ground

FAO's support to countries

- Support to countries on forest management and planning
- Delivering SFM through programmes and projects, e.g.:
 - **GEF-7 SFM Impact Program on Dryland Sustainable Landscapes**
 - **GEF-8 Critical Forest Biome** Integrated Program
- **Guide on achieving KM-GBF Target 10 through SFM** (under development)
- Tools, data & monitoring of **restoration** (Target 2)
- **Guidelines on urban forestry** (updated version upcoming) (Target 12)
- Knowledge dissemination and sharing



The Collaborative Partnership on Forests





“ By 2030 all types of forests and forest landscapes are sustainably managed, their multiple values are fully recognized, the potential of forests and their goods and services is fully unlocked, and the Global Forest Goals, SDGs and other global forest-related goals, targets and commitments are achieved ”

CPF:

- Provides scientific and technical advice
- Enhances coherence and cooperation at all levels
- Supports dialogues with members, major groups and other stakeholders.

CPF Joint Initiative on forest biodiversity

Lead agencies: CBD Secretariat, FAO, UNFF Secretariat

Timeline: 2024-2028

- Assisting countries in coherent **implementation of forest-related commitments** as identified in the KM-GBF and the Global Forest Goals/UNSPF
- Analysis of the **National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans** (NBSAPs)
- Contribution to the ongoing **Strategic Review of the CBD Programme of Work on Forest Biodiversity** (2025)
- **Regional Assessments and Policy Brief** – recommendations to harmonize forest/biodiversity agendas and strengthen national capacity



Future Priorities of CPF Joint Initiative

- **Following Parties' decision on expanded programme of work on forest biodiversity at COP17 (19-20 October in Yerevan, Armenia):**
- Consider priority areas for CPF members to deepen collaboration and future activities of the CPF JI, including *inter alia*:
 - Focusing on practical needs and implementation bottlenecks highlighted through the NBSAP analysis;
 - Better aligning country support – through CPF tools, technical assistance and knowledge products to address capacity and data constraints (Target 10 and SFM)



Thank you!

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