Sustainable Wood for a Sustainable World
Global Workshop in FAO-Rome October 2017

29-31 March 2017, Geneva
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Global Workshop Proposal

- Global workshop in Rome, at FAO, on 17-18 October 2017
- Joint initiative by FAO, ITTO and the World Bank
  - Aim at bringing together key international organizations and experts working in the field of sustainable forest products, as well as big consumers of wood products
  - A parallel exhibition will be held to showcase participants’ material
  - Planned for an audience in-sito of approximately 200 participants plus web-cast.
Contribute to global agenda setting, promoting the role of sustainable wood products in SDGs and Climate Change agenda.

Present concrete cases of good forest management practices leading to sustainable wood products and technological innovation.

Bring together global-level stakeholders from forest and relevant forest products demand sectors (e.g., Construction, furniture, etc.), generating key messages to feed into policy-level dialogues, including at COP23 and COFO24.

Develop incentive mechanisms for enhanced private sector investment for green growth and closing the emerging supply gap for harvested wood products and wood-based energy.
Bring evidence of contributions of sustainable forest production to sustainable, “green” development through low-carbon products with high socio-economic benefits

Showcase good practices of sustainable forest management contributing to halt deforestation and to reduce the world’s carbon footprint through HWPs

Example of policies and measures to increase legality of forest value chains and meet the needs of sustainable production and consumption

Showcase technological progress and successful increase of wood products use in value chains
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Workshop Envisaged Outcomes

- First step towards creating global advocacy platform for sustainable forest wood products
- Concrete support for implementation of policies and initiatives that can increase supply of such products
- Key messages to feed global policy dialogues, such as Climate Change COP 23 and COFO 24.
- Wood products demand sectors informed about technological and reliable supply possibilities of wood products for greener value chains
- Governments and other relevant stakeholders aware of policy instruments for optimizing contribution from sustainable wood products in their development strategies.
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Key Institutions to Outreach

- UNECE (UN Economic Commission for Europe)
- ATIBT (Association Technique International des Bois Tropicaux)
- ACSFI (Advisory Committee on Sustainable Forest-Based Industries)
- ICFPA (International Council on Forest and Paper Associations)
- WRI (World Resources Institute)
- WWF (World Wild Fund)
- IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature)
- TFD (The Forest Dialogues)
- CLUA (Climate and Land Use Alliance)
- WBCSD (World Business Council for Sustainable Development)
- Global Timber Forum
- FAST (Alianza Financiera para el Comercio Sostenible)
- Governments/Donors
Thank you!

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