Getting started with the Bonn Challenge and ECCA 30

Workshop on Forest Landscape Restoration and the Bonn Challenge for Eastern and South-East Europe

16-17 Dec 2019, Belgrade, Serbia
What would help you to advance Forest Landscape Restoration in your country?

Go online to: SLI.DO

Enter code: FLR
The Bonn Challenge is a global effort to bring 150 million hectares of deforested and degraded land into restoration by 2020 and 350 million hectares by 2030.

ECCA 30 is a regional initiative for Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia to restore 30 million hectares by 2030.
Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia pledges to the Bonn Challenge

Armenia – 260,000 ha
Azerbaijan – 170,000 ha (+ conditional 100,000 ha)
Georgia – 9,000 ha
Kazakhstan – 1,500,000 ha (+conditional 300,000 ha)
Kyrgyz Republic – 23,300 ha (+conditional 300,000 ha)
Tajikistan – 66,000 ha
Uzbekistan – 500,000 ha (+ conditional 500,000 ha)
Scotland – 170,000 ha

3 mln ha
Ministerial Roundtable on FLR and the Bonn Challenge in the Caucasus and Central Asia

21-22 June 2018, Kazakhstan

Adopted Astana Resolution
How are commitments achieved?

Policy & Technical Support
The Global Restoration Council

Multi-country programs are catalysing implementation & providing models for collaboration

History of the Bonn Challenge:

2005: 1st Global workshop on FLR Brazil/UK
2009: London Challenge UK/IUCN
2011: The Bonn Challenge Germany, IUCN, GPFLR
2012: Rio+ Summit agreed the land degradation neutral global goal, in support of CCD
2014: Climate Summit – New York Declaration on Forests
2017: UNFF Global Forest Goals, Objective 1
2019: UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration - 2020-2030
What is counted towards the target?

Contributions may be new forest landscape restoration initiatives over a specified number of hectares. Contributions may also be enhancements of existing national or sub-national initiatives covering specified numbers of hectares if these are explicitly being:

- Aligned with the FLR principles
- Brought under the Bonn Challenge umbrella

Why contribute?

- To identify and benefit from synergies among national thematic priorities and agencies
- To open up additional resourcing opportunities by demonstrating how national priorities and actions contribute to international commitments.
Why commit area to the Bonn Challenge?

**Secure additional support:**
Learning exchanges to gain new perspectives directly from peers
Convening to share best practices, case studies and tools
Technical support on mapping, economics, finance carbon & enabling conditions

**Gain recognition:**
Show leadership at the national, regional and international levels
Build profile at regional and global events (e.g. UN Climate Summit)
Attract finance by building the business case and catalyzing domestic, regional & global funds

**Increase restoration benefits:**
Economic benefits of improved livelihoods, jobs & productivity
Social benefits of active participation and buy-in from local communities
Ecological benefits of ecosystem services, carbon stocks, soil fertility and biodiversity
1. EXPRESS INTEREST

2. PREPARE AND CONFIRM A CONTRIBUTION: Provide information about: Status of the contributor(s); Location and number of hectares; Stakeholder support; and Anticipated types of restoration strategies. Note that some contributors may wish to carry out assessments to confirm the nature of the restoration potential and strategies (see below) before confirming their contributions.

3. PUBLICISE THE CONTRIBUTION: Identify, organise or agree to participate in an event; Notify the media.

4. ANNOUNCE THE TARGET AT A HIGH PROFILE EVENT

5. PREPARE TO RESTORE: Map the potential; Assess the economic benefits, presence of success factors, and carbon mitigation potential; Define the restoration strategies; Build capacity; Develop of reinforce policies, institutions and programmes; Identify and mobilise investment opportunities.

6. RESTORE: Initiate a suite of restoration strategies; Disseminate best practices; Scale up successful models.

7. TRACK PROGRESS: The Bonn Challenge Barometer of Progress, currently under development by IUCN and partners, will help countries track progress on their restoration interventions, publicise progress on commitments and unlock international support to address bottlenecks.
Bonn Challenge on Forest Landscape Restoration
What is in for you?

- To gain recognition as a leader in a global movement:
  - Receive international exposure for domestic programmes; Join a cohort of leaders from around the world; Demonstrate how national or sub-national actions contribute to international commitments

- To access technical support to implement and scale up of positive efforts:
  - Benefit from expert knowledge, tools, peer experience and sharing of knowledge; Secure technical support on mapped, economic, carbon and enabling conditions assessments of restoration potential

- To mobilize resources:
  - Learn about international funding opportunities and models for building domestic programs that incentivize restoration; Demonstrate the multiple benefits of FLR; Build the business case and catalyse domestic, regional and global funds

- To leverage domestic programmes to achieve global goals:
  - The Bonn Challenge is an implementation vehicle for climate change, biodiversity and land degradation neutrality goals as well as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Global Forest Goals, and REDD+

- To increase forested areas:
  - Improve livelihoods with the benefits from productive forests; gain ecological, economical and social benefits from a functioning ecosystem
Countries join initiative by submitting a letter of commitment to the Secretariat.

Provides advisory support.

Sustains political support and mobilises new partnerships.

Secretariat

Provides coordination support to the Governing and Partnership Boards.

Identifies commitment alignment with national policies, initiatives and targets under Bonn Challenge, NDCs, SDGs, LDN, CBD Aichi targets.

Knowledge management.

Partnership Board

With the assistance of the Secretariat, assists countries in identifying restoration finance options.

Provides technical support for implementation, and guidance on tracking progress on restoration.
Initiative 20x20

Bringing 20 million hectares of degraded land in Latin America & the Caribbean into restoration by 2020.

COMMITMENTS
50 M ha by governments
$2.4 B of private sector capital

TOTAL 50 mha

$2.4 b

Financial ambitions by private sector impact investors to fund restoration projects in the region.

Notes:
*Goals to be accomplished by 2030
**Commitment to define a national restoration strategy
AFR100 (the African Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative) is a country-led effort to bring 100 million hectares of land in Africa into restoration by 2030.

AFR100 contributes to the Bonn Challenge, the African Resilient Landscapes Initiative (ARLI), the African Union Agenda 2063, the Sustainable Development Goals and other targets. Follow #AFR100
5 reasons to join ECCA30 under the Bonn Challenge

1) Be recognised as part of a regional movement / cohort of leaders, receiving international exposure for regional priorities;

2) Engage and strengthen regional partnerships and cooperation, in particular through policy dialogues, joint programming, etc.;

3) Identify and benefit from synergies among regional thematic priorities and transboundary issues;

4) Build profile and show leadership at regional and global events (e.g. UN Climate Summit, GLF); and

5) Mobilise financial and technical support to implement country-led restoration efforts and track progress using the *Bonn Challenge Barometer*. 
Thank you!