



PROCESS

- Process initiated at the World Forestry Conference, in Durban September 2015
- Discussion continued in a workshop in Ottawa, April 2016
- Organization-Led Initiative (OLI) organized by the CPF, in Rome, November 2016: a first draft Global Core Set (GCS) of forest-related indicators
- A Joint Initiative and a task force on the GCS was established in early 2017 and met in March 2017
- On-line consultation organized in May 2017
- Refined set discussed at the Global FRA2020 Expert Consultation in Finland, June 2017
- The second meeting of the task force, at FAO Rome, December 2017 finalized the global core set proposal
- The GCS proposal was presented to CPF in February 2018

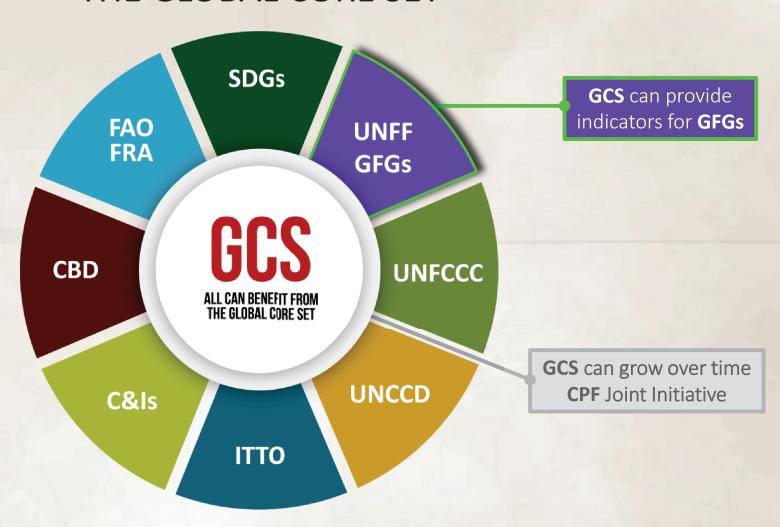


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- UNFF13 (May 2018):
 - Welcomed progress
 - Acknowledged value
 - Encouraged application
 - Requested continued development
- · COFO24 (July 2018)
 - Acknowledged progress
 - Invited UNFF and other governing bodies to consider use
 - Requested FAO to
 - Support capacity development in countries
 - Continue work within CPF
 - Report on progress

THE GCS INCLUDES A LIMITED NUMBER OF INDICATORS WHICH ADDRESS **EFFICIENTLY** AND **COMPREHENSIVELY** THE TOPICS IDENTIFIED IN HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL COMMITMENTS

THE GLOBAL CORE SET



OBJECTIVES OF THE GCS

- Measure progress towards SFM (including monitoring SDG 15.2.1)
- Measure progress in implementing the un forest instrument and the un strategic plan for forests (Global Forest Goals)
- Measure progress towards other SDGs and other internationally agreed goals on forests (particularly forest-related commitments of the Rio Conventions)

GCS IN A NUTSHELL

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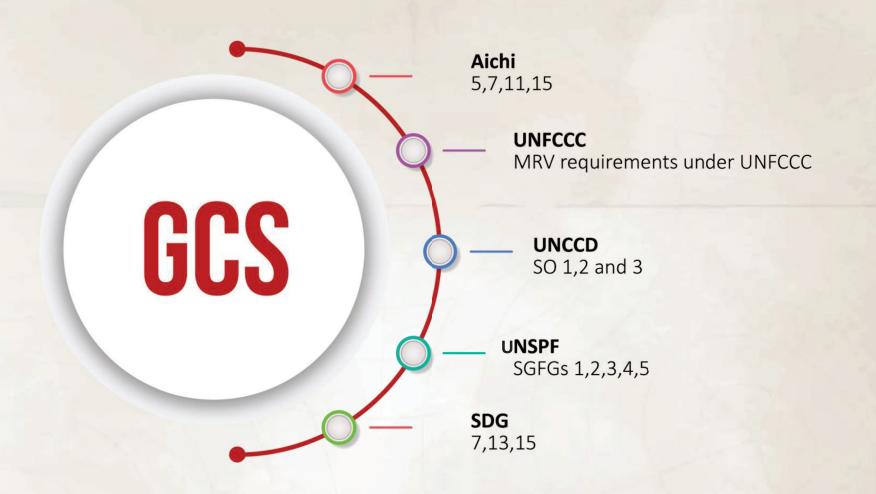
- 21 indicators
- Qualitative and quantitative indicators
- All equally important
- Structured and numbered according to the seven thematic elements of SFM
- Linkages to globally agreed goals and targets
- Harmonized with and collected through FRA where possible
- Some require further work (on concept and definition)

GCS AND THE SEVEN THEMATIC ELEMENTS OF SFM

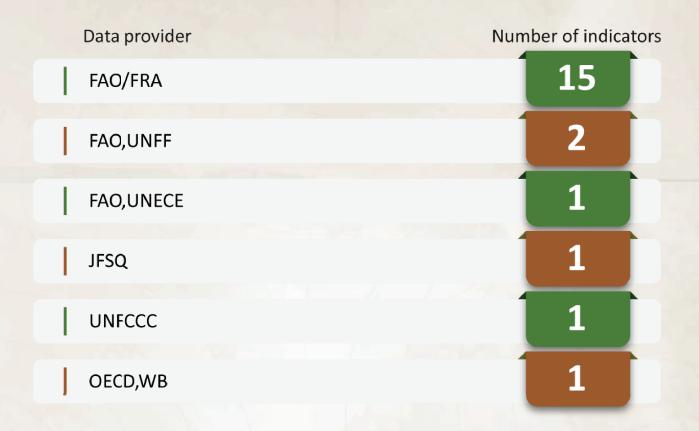
| | Thematic element | Number of indicators* |
|---|--|-----------------------|
| 1 | Extent of forest resources | 3 |
| 2 | Forest biological diversity | 2 |
| 3 | Forest health and vitality | 2 |
| 4 | Productive functions of forest resources | 4 |
| 5 | Protective function of forest resources | 1 |
| 6 | Socio-economic functions of forest resources | 4 |
| 7 | Legal, policy and institutional framework | 6 |

^{*} Some indicators may be linked to more than one thematic element

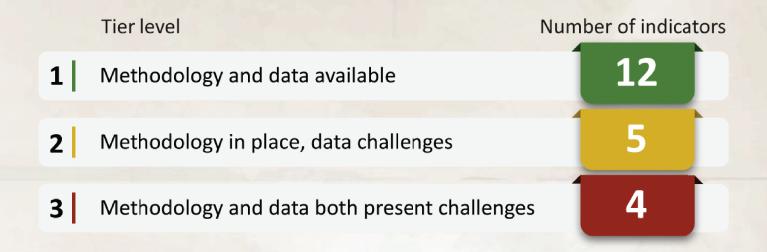
GCS AND ITS LINKAGES



DATA PROVIDERS



QUALITY TIERS



In addition, the Task Force identified one area where further action was seen desirable and could bring improvements in the medium term: "Contribution of forest ecosystem services to social, economic, and environmental development" (target 2.4 of the UNSPF). This indicator would require substantial further work.



THE WAY FORWARD

- Invitation to use the GCS and related terms and definitions for all data collection processes where applicable
- Further work needed on Tier 3 indicators
- Work on Candidate list
- Need to keep the GCS evolving as environments evolve

