



Forests and Education

A 2019 celebration of the International Day of Forests

Thursday, 21 March 2019

10:00 am – 1:00 p.m., ECOSOC chamber, UN Headquarters, New York

OPENING SESSION: **Opening Remarks**

Chair: **Ms. Maria-Francesca Spatolisano**, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, DESA

- **H.E Ambassador Inga Rhonda King**, President of the Economic and Social Council, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines to the UN (tbc)
- **Mr. Hossein Moeini-Meybodi**, UN Forum on Forests Secretariat, DESA

OPENING SESSION: **Multimedia Presentation**

- **Lower Eastside Girls Club**, New York, USA
- **Las Fotos Project**, Los Angeles, USA
- **Club Balam**, Chiapas, Mexico

PANEL DISCUSSION: **Forests and Education: Global and urban perspectives**

Chair: **Ms. Afsa Kemitale**, UN Forum on Forests Secretariat, DESA

Moderator: **Ms Mita Sen**, UN Forum on Forests Secretariat, DESA

- **Ms. Carla Mucavi**, Director, FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations in New York
- **Mr. David O'Connor**, Permanent Observer of IUCN to the United Nations
- **Mr. Zhang Wei**, Director General, Three-North Shelterbelt Development Bureau, China
- **Dr. Erika S. Svendsen**, Co-Director, New York City Urban Field Station

GENERAL DISCUSSION: **Forests & Education: Sharing knowledge for a Sustainable Future**

Chair: **Mr. Juwang Zhu**, UN Forum on Forests Secretariat, DESA

Statements by Member States, UN entities and accredited IGOs and Major Groups.

