

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP ON FORESTS (CPF) WORK PLAN 2021-2024

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The Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) envisions that "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, the Sustainable Development Goals, and other global forest-related goals, targets and commitments are achieved.

To support countries to achieve these aims, the CPF will effectively enhance coherence and synergy on forest-related issues and values among its member organizations and help move from deforestation to restoration."¹

This work plan 2021-2024 supports the CPF vision.

The work plan will be updated annually.

¹ <https://www.fao.org/3/cb5683en/cb5683en.pdf>

Section I: General provisions

A. Introduction

Components of the work plan

1. This work plan's components are: Section I on General Provisions; Section II on CPF activities; and Section III on follow up, review, and reporting on the progress of the work plan.
2. Section II on CPF activities is divided into two subsections and provides detailed information about (A) the recurrent activities of the CPF (including activities on emerging issues and challenges) and (B) the CPF Joint Initiatives (including those that are in the planning phase). Joint Initiatives are the primary delivery mechanism of the CPF. For both subsections, an overview of the relevance of activities and contributions to the "guiding frameworks" is provided and visualized in a table. Both subsections end with a table showing the planned annual activities, including expected outcomes and results for 2021-2024. Annex I summarizes relevant guidance from governing bodies of CPF member organizations. Annex II provides a more detailed overview of CPF events and activities by CPF members in 2024. Annex III provides a list of acronyms.

Mandate and purpose of the work plan

3. The purpose of this work plan is to present the planned activities of the CPF over the period 2021-2024, facilitate their implementation, and provide information on the intended activities for member States, CPF member organizations' governing bodies, and stakeholders.
4. The member organisations of the CPF developed the work plan based on guidance received from the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF)² and other governing bodies. It is aligned with the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030 (UNSPF) and the Quadrennial Programme of Work of UNFF for the period 2021-2024. The plan promotes forests' contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, other internationally-agreed development goals, and the objectives of relevant global forest-related agreements and processes.

Resource implications

5. The work plan provides an overview of the resource implications of CPF's recurrent activities and its Joint Initiatives. Member States are encouraged to provide voluntary financial contributions in support of these activities.

B. Guiding documents and frameworks

CPF Policy Document (membership, core functions, and delivery mechanisms)

6. The member organisations of the CPF have agreed upon a policy document that sets out the CPF mission, membership, delivery mechanisms, and Rules of Procedure³.
7. The CPF currently consists of sixteen international organizations, institutions, and secretariats with substantial programmes on forests. The current member organizations of the CPF are: Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR); Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Secretariat; Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) Secretariat; Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); Global Environment Facility (GEF) Secretariat; Green Climate Fund (GCF) Secretariat; International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO); International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN); International Union of Forest

² In ECOSOC Resolution 2015/35 and 2020/14

³ CPF policy document: <https://www.fao.org/3/cb5689en/cb5689en.pdf>

Research Organizations (IUFRO); United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) Secretariat; United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) Secretariat; United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat; World Agroforestry (ICRAF); and World Bank.

8. Members have considerable capacity to deliver on CPF's core functions. By building upon the members' collective knowledge, mechanisms, and comparative advantages, the CPF significantly contributes to enhancing sustainable forest management (SFM) worldwide.

9. Per the core functions of the CPF set out in ECOSOC resolution 2015/33, the CPF policy document includes the following core functions of the CPF:

- a) Support the work of the UNFF and its member countries;
- b) Provide scientific and technical advice, including on emerging issues, to the UNFF and governing bodies of other CPF members, at their request;
- c) Enhance coherence and cooperation, as well as policy and programme and coordination, at all levels among its member organizations, including through joint programming and the submission of coordinated proposals to their respective governing bodies, consistent with their mandates;
- d) Promote implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) and the UNSPF as well as the contribution of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other major forest-related agreements.

10. The CPF work plan will be implemented through the key delivery mechanisms: CPF Joint Initiatives, CPF Dialogues, and Focal Agencies.

CPF Strategic Vision Towards 2030

11. The member organizations of the CPF endorsed its Strategic Vision towards 2030⁴ (SV 2030) to guide the CPF's work and provide a solid framework for its future activities until 2030.

12. The SV 2030 provides an effective platform for using the aggregated potentials and skills of member organizations of the Partnership and enhancing their respective programmes' mutual support towards this shared vision.

13. To achieve the Strategic Vision, the CPF member organizations agree to advance the following strategic priorities collectively:

- a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests;
- b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision making;
- c) Enhance communication and outreach activities;
- d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches;
- e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests;
- f) Identify emerging issues of significant concern to forests.

UNSPF 2017-2030 and its Global Forest Goals

14. The agreement on the first-ever UN Strategic Plan for Forests (UNSPF) was forged at a special session of UNFF held in January 2017 and provides an ambitious vision for global forests in 2030. The

⁴ CPF Strategic Vision towards 2030: <https://www.fao.org/3/cb5683en/cb5683en.pdf>

plan was adopted by the UN Economic and Social Council on 20 April 2017 and was subsequently adopted by the UN General Assembly on 27 April 2017⁵.

15. The UNSPF includes six Global Forest Goals (GFGs) and 26 associated targets by 2030. The GFGs are aimed at contributing to progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, the Paris Agreement adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the UNFI, and other international forest-related instruments, processes, commitments, and goals. The six GFGs are:

- Global Forest Goal 1: Reverse the loss of forest cover worldwide through SFM, including protection, restoration, afforestation, and reforestation, and increase efforts to prevent forest degradation and contribute to the global effort of addressing climate change.
- Global Forest Goal 2: Enhance forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits, including by improving the livelihoods of forest dependent people.
- Global Forest Goal 3: Increase significantly the area of protected forests worldwide and other areas of sustainably managed forests, as well as the proportion of forest products from sustainably managed forests.
- Global Forest Goal 4: Mobilize significantly increased, new, and additional financial resources from all sources for the implementation of SFM and strengthen scientific and technical cooperation and partnerships.
- Global Forest Goal 5: Promote governance frameworks to implement SFM, including through the UNFI, and enhance the contribution of forests to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- Global Forest Goal 6: Enhance cooperation, coordination, coherence and synergies on forest-related issues at all levels, including within the UN system and across CPF member organizations, as well as across sectors and relevant stakeholders.

16. The implementation framework for the UNSPF recognizes the critical role of the CPF and its member organizations. It invites the CPF to support UNFF and its members in advancing the GFGs and targets, along with existing forest-related intergovernmental objectives and targets. It also encourages members of UNFF to support the CPF work plan and provide voluntary financial contributions to support the activities of the CPF and its member organizations⁶.

UNFF Quadrennial Programme of Work (4PoW) 2021-2024

17. Per paragraph 1 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2020/14, the UNFF at its sixteenth session adopted the programme of work of the UNFF for the period 2022–2024.

18. Per Annex I to Economic and Social Council resolution 2020/14, thematic priorities of the UNFF for each biennium shall be based on the GFGs and targets, considering the programme of the high-level political forum on sustainable development and relevant international forest-related developments.

19. For the biennium 2021-2022, thematic priorities for the sixteenth and the seventeenth sessions of the UNFF are (i) reversing the loss of forest cover (GFG 1); (ii) enhancing forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits (GFG 2); and (iii) mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation; promoting governance frameworks to advance implementation; and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFGs 4, 5 and 6).

20. For the biennium 2023-2024, thematic priorities for the eighteenth and the nineteenth sessions of the UNFF are (i) enhancing forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits (GFG 2); (ii) increase significantly the area of protected forests worldwide and other areas of sustainably managed forests, as well as the proportion of forest products from sustainably managed forests (GFG 3) and (iii)

⁵ Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its 2017 special session, E/2017/10–E/CN.18/SS/2017/2, ECOSOC Resolution 2017/4, GA Resolution 71/285.

⁶ Paragraphs 38-40 of E/RES/2017/4.

mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation; promoting governance frameworks to advance implementation; and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFGs 4, 5 and 6).

Other forest-related goals/targets, instruments, processes, and international developments

21. CPF activities are also aimed at supporting efforts to achieve several other forest-related goals, instruments, processes, and international developments that have direct significance for forests and will continue to influence future work of the CPF. These include:

- The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs;
- The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the CBD;
- The Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets of the UNCCD;
- The Paris Agreement and countries' efforts in enhancing their nationally determined contributions (NDCs), including through forest-related contributions;
- The UN Decades on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030) and Family Farming (2019-2028);
- The Secretary-General Initiative on Turning the Tide on Deforestation as a follow-up to the Climate Action Summit held in 2019⁷;
- Emerging issues such as the COVID-19 pandemic;
- New York Declaration on Forests;
- The Bonn Challenge;
- Green Gigaton Challenge;
- CITES forest-related targets;
- Glasgow Leaders' Declaration on Forests and Land Use;
- Seoul Forest Declaration of the XV World Forestry Congress.

Section II: CPF activities

A. Recurrent activities

CPF communication and outreach activities

22. CPF maintains a website⁸ providing detailed information about Joint Initiatives, members, events, documents, and meetings. Through this website, CPF provides information to the public about its work and activities, promotes relevant content from its members, and publishes joint statements. FAO maintains the website.

23. CPF meetings⁹ provide an opportunity to exchange on synergies, consider joint activities and coordinate upcoming events.

24. CPF organizes side events, dialogues, sessions, etc., at significant events to communicate within and outside the forest sector.

⁷ The Secretary-General of the UN called for scaling up action on “Turning the tide on deforestation”, stating that “we must halt deforestation, restore degraded forests and change the way we farm”. At the UNFCCC COP25, a high-level Leadership Dialogue on “Turning the tide on deforestation” was held with Heads of UN organizations, expressing their commitment to this common goal. Halting deforestation is an essential lever in the Decade of Action to deliver the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. At a meeting of the UN Executive Committee in October 2019 the Secretary-General requested that UNEP and FAO, in collaboration with other relevant entities, form a small working group to follow up on a set of recommendations aimed at scaling up action to halt deforestation by the UN system.

⁸ CPF Website: <https://www.fao.org/collaborative-partnership-on-forests>

⁹ CPF Members meetings: <https://www.fao.org/collaborative-partnership-on-forests/meetings/en>; <https://www.un.org/esa/forests/collaborative-partnership-on-forests/cpf-meetings/index.html>

Operational activities

25. CPF meets regularly for operational planning and policy coordination. CPF members aim to have at least two meetings per year in conjunction with members' significant events, including the UNFF sessions. Areas for planning and coordination include, but are not limited to:

- Organizing meetings and events, such as the Organization-led Initiatives (OLIs) and donor meetings;
- Reviewing and updating of the CPF strategic documents¹⁰ (policy document, Strategic Vision towards 2030, and work plan);
- Stimulating broader participation by existing member organizations in its activities;
- Continuing involving significant groups and other stakeholders in CPF activities;
- Contributing to the midterm review of the effectiveness of the International Arrangement on Forests in 2024.

Contributions to UNFF documentation and sessions

26. CPF reports annually to UNFF on its activities, taking into account the thematic priorities of the UNFF sessions. CPF and its member organizations also provide their inputs to the relevant UNFF documents to update the status of the preparation and implementation of its work plan and respond to guidance provided by the UNFF.

27. CPF contributes to discussions at the UNFF sessions to support its work and provide scientific and technical advice.

28. CPF may organize side events and stakeholder meetings in conjunction with UNFF sessions.

Activities on emerging issues and challenges

29. CPF may respond to emerging issues and challenges identified by the UNFF or by its members through appropriate collective actions, such as the release of joint statements (e.g., the joint CPF Statement "Towards sustainability: forest solutions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic," 2020¹¹; "Challenges and opportunities in turning the tide on deforestation", 2021¹²).

¹⁰ CPF Documents: <https://www.fao.org/collaborative-partnership-on-forests/publications/en>

¹¹ <https://www.fao.org/3/cb5686en/cb5686en.pdf>

¹² <http://www.fao.org/3/cb5879en/cb5879en.pdf>

Table 1: An overview of all subsection activities and their relevance and contributions to the "guiding frameworks."

Recurrent activities	CPF Core functions <i>(Policy Document)</i>	Strategic priorities <i>(SV 2030)</i>	Global Forest Goals and UNFF thematic priorities <i>(UNSPF; 4PoW 2021-2024)</i>	SDGs <i>(2030 Agenda)</i>	Other forest-related goals, instruments, processes, and international developments
Communication and outreach activities (including CPF website)	(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (e.g., joint programming and coordinated proposals to governing bodies)	(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests; (c) Enhance communication and outreach activities; (d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches.	<p>Thematic priorities for 2021-2022: (i) reversions of forest cover (GFG 1); (ii) enhancing forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits (GFG 2); and (iii) mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation; promoting governance frameworks to advance implementation; and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFGs 4, 5 and 6).</p> <p>Thematic priorities for 2023-2024: (i) enhancing forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits (GFG 2); (ii) increase significantly the area of protected forests worldwide and other areas of sustainably managed forests, as well as the proportion of forest products from sustainably managed forests (GFG 3); and (iii) mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation; promoting governance frameworks to advance implementation; and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFGs 4, 5 and 6).</p>	<p>SDG 6</p> <p>SDG 7</p> <p>SDG 11</p> <p>SDG 12</p> <p>SDG 13</p> <p>SDG 15</p> <p>SDG 17</p>	<p>The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs</p> <p>The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the CBD</p> <p>The Paris Agreement its nationally determined contributions (NDCs)</p> <p>The Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets of the UNCCD</p> <p>The UN Decades on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030) and Family Farming (2019-2028)</p> <p>The Secretary-General Initiative on Turning the Tide on Deforestation</p> <p>Emerging issues such as the COVID-19 pandemic</p> <p>New York Declaration on Forests</p> <p>The Bonn Challenge</p> <p>Green Gigaton Challenge</p> <p>CITES forest-related targets</p> <p>Glasgow's Leaders Declaration on Forests and Land use</p> <p>Seoul Forest Declaration of the XV World Forestry Congress</p>
Operational activities (including CPF meetings)	(d) Promote the implementation of UNFI & UNSPF and contribution to 2030 Agenda and other global agreements	(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests; (b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision making; (c) Enhance communication and outreach activities; (d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches; (e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests; (f) Identify emerging issues of significant concerns to forests.			
Contributions to UNFF documentation and sessions	(a) Support the work of UNFF and members	(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests; (c) Enhance communication and outreach activities; (d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches;			
Activities on emerging issues and challenges	(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (e.g., joint programming and coordinated proposals to governing bodies)	(d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches; (f) Identify emerging issues of significant concerns to forests.			

30. In addition to their financial contributions to JIs noted in Section II-B, it is estimated that CPF member organisations contribute around 558,450-643,450 USD per annum to the cost of recurrent activities of the CPF¹³.

Table 2: Work plan actions and respective aggregated resource implications for the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024

Recurrent activities	2021	2022	2023	2024	Annual aggregated budget (USD) ¹⁴
	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	
Communication and outreach activities (including CPF website)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Migration of the CPF website to a new platform and improving design and user-friendliness - Proposing the IDF theme 2022 and 2023 to UNFF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keeping the CPF website up to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keeping the CPF website up to date - Proposing the IDF theme 2024 to UNFF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keeping the CPF website up to date - Celebration of IDF 2024 - Proposing the IDF theme 2025 - Supporting the promotion of the WMA - Launching the 'Grow the solution' campaign to strengthen global advocacy on sustainable wood 	62,000
Operational activities (including CPF meetings)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Organization of 3 CPF members meetings - Organization of side events and participation at other global events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewing and updating of the CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Organization of 2 CPF members meetings - Organization of Friends of the CPF meeting at UNFF17 - Preparations for the IAF midterm review related to the CPF - Participation at other global events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewing and updating of the CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Organization of 2 CPF members meetings - Organization of Friends of the CPF meeting at UNFF18 - Organization of the meeting of CPF Principals - Preparations for the IAF midterm review related to the CPF - Organization of an Organization-Led Initiative on the Assessment of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests¹⁵ (22-23 Feb) - Organization of a CPF retreat (22-23 June) - Participation at other global events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewing and updating of the CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Reviewing and updating of the CPF strategic documents (Policy Document, Strategic Vision towards 2030, Work Plan) - Preparation of a new work plan (2025-2028) - Organization of 2 CPF meetings (23 January, 28 March) - CPF taskforce meeting to develop the work plan 2025-2028 - Preparations for the IAF midterm review related to the CPF - Implementation of the outcome of the IAF midterm review related to the CPF - Participation in other global events 	370,500-420,500
Contributions to UNFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision of inputs to the UNFF16 documentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision of inputs to the UNFF17 documentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision of inputs to the UNFF18 documentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision of inputs to the UNFF19 documentation 	104,950-139,950

¹³ The lower and higher figures indicate two budget scenarios: one for the period of the COVID-19 pandemic and the other for the post-COVID-19 pandemic period, respectively.

¹⁴ Budgets are indicative estimates of in-kind and cash contributions by CPF members.

¹⁵ <https://www.fao.org/collaborative-partnership-on-forests/meetings/cpf-organization-led-initiative/en>

documentation and sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on implementation of CPF work plan 2017-2020 and preparation of CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Contribution to the UNFF16 discussions and joint CPF statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on implementation of CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Contribution to the UNFF17 discussions and joint CPF statement - Contribution to the preparations for the midterm review of the International Arrangement on Forests (IAF) related to the CPF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on implementation of CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Contribution to the UNFF18 discussions and joint CPF statement - Contribution to the preparations for the midterm review of the effectiveness of the IAF related to the CPF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update on implementation of CPF work plan 2021-2024 - Contribution to the UNFF19 discussion - Contribution to the midterm review of the effectiveness of the IAF related to the CPF 	
Activities on emerging issues and challenges	Promoting the CPF joint statement in response to the COVID-19 pandemic				21,000

B. Current CPF Joint Initiatives and Joint Initiatives in the pipeline

Basic information about each of the current CPF Joint Initiatives:

JI: Communicators' Network

a) Objectives:

- To coordinate among and beyond CPF members to increase the communication impact;
- To advise CPF on its communication and outreach activities and support the development of related products and initiatives;
- To support the implementation of the Communication and Outreach Strategy of the UN Strategic Plan for Forests;¹⁶
- To advise on and facilitate CPF's participation in global events;
- To facilitate the selection process for the themes for each International Day of Forests (IDF);
- To provide support for preparing and implementing the IDF;
- To promote international days such as the World Wildlife Day¹⁷ and the World Environment Day as relevant;
- To advise member states on communication and outreach-related issues at their request;
- To increase awareness of the role and contribution of the CPF brand and input to other relevant International Days and events;
- To leverage the outreach platforms of individual members.

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

- contributes to all CPF core functions, Strategic Priorities of the SV 2030, GFGs, forest-related SDGs, the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030, the Kunming Montreal Biodiversity Framework, and highlights the multi-faceted contributions of forests to global sustainable development.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- Co-led by CIFOR-ICRAF, CITES, FAO, and UNFFS, supported by all CPF members.

d) External partners:

- International Forestry Students' Association (IFSA).

e) Time frame/duration:

- Continuous.

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total project budget: USD 964,000 (241,000 per year)

¹⁶ Pursuant to paragraphs 71-75 of E/2017/10–E/CN.18/SS/2017/2

¹⁷ UNGA A/RES/68/205 on World Wildlife Day

JI: Wangari Maathai Award

- a) Objectives:
- To recognize an individual's outstanding contribution towards the preservation, restoration, and sustainable management of forests
 - To communicate the critical role forests play in rural livelihoods and the environment across generations.
- b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":
- Contributes to all CPF core functions, Strategic Priorities of the SV 2030, GFGs (GFG 6, target 6.5), and forest-related SDGs.
- c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:
- Led by FAO. All CPF members support the JI. FAO and the host agency for the Award ceremony are on an informal Steering Committee.
- d) External partners:
- None.
- e) Time frame/duration:
- Continuous. It is awarded on a biennial basis, linked with major global events of CPF members.
- f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total project budget: USD 100,000 (USD 50,000 per award)

JI: Forest Education

a) Objectives:

- Raise awareness globally of the necessity for educational and training programmes that ensure forest workers, technicians, and professionals are fit for the workplace;
- Provide technical support to forest communities and enhance forest extension services
- Focus on technical assistance, extension and educational needs of local small/medium size forestry producers, mainly in indigenous forest communities in developing countries.
- Stimulate young people's appreciation for and knowledge of forests and forest-related careers;
- Catalyse action at all levels, from sub-national to global, to strengthen forest education and training programmes, and knowledge systems;
- Enhance global platforms that facilitate information sharing and networking on forest education, training, and knowledge;
- Develop and make available tools and materials to enhance non-formal forest education, training, and knowledge.

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

Quality forest education and training programmes for forest policymakers, practitioners, workers, and other stakeholders are to achieve goals in all the above-mentioned global frameworks, priorities, goals, and processes (e.g., SDG 4, as well as SDG 8, SDG 10, SDG 12, SDG15, SDG17, Global Forest Goal 4 and its Target 4.5, etc.).

Achieving sustainable forest management is impossible in the absence of trained forest professionals and workers worldwide capable and motivated to apply best practices in forest knowledge.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- FAO, ITTO, IUFRO, CIFOR-ICRAF, the UNFF and UNFCCC, and potentially other CPF members (to be determined).

d) External partners:

- Potential external partners include the African Network for Agriculture, Agroforestry and Natural Resources Education (ANAFE), the Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD), RECOFTC, the International Forestry Students' Association (IFSA), and the University of British Columbia (UBC); with other potential partners to be determined.

e) Time frame/duration:

- 1st FE phase closed end 2022 (2019-22) (with an extension provided and releasing the global assessment of forest education)
- 2nd FE phase planned to start end-2023- end 2025 (2 years)

f) Resource implications - indicative (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Estimated total project budget: USD 7.2 million (includes approximately USD 1 million in matching funds across all project partners)

Total estimated budget gap: USD 6.25 million (full amount to be raised)

JI: Forest Finance Facilitation

a) Objectives:

To support the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network¹⁸ to mobilize financing for the sustainable management of all types of forests and in particular to:

- Assist countries to design national forest financing strategies;
- Assist countries to mobilize financial resources from all relevant sources for sustainable forest management, including as sources of financing or as accredited entities to multilateral financing mechanisms;
- Support the Clearing House of the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network by sharing existing data and information on financing from all sources for the sustainable management of all types of forests, and on:
 - funding opportunities;
 - learning materials for accessing resources;
 - lessons learned and best practices;
 - data sources on financial flows to forestry.
- To provide expert advice on phase II of the Clearing House, and in particular, its database on financing flows to forestry;
- To establish a network of relevant focal points among CPF members to collaborate in mobilizing and accessing funding from multilateral financial institutions, including the Global Environment Facility and the Green Climate Fund;
- To conduct joint activities to update data and information on forest financing in the categories mentioned above;
- To contribute to the achievement of the global forest-related goals, targets, mandates, and priorities in the Forum's quadrennial programmes of work.

b) Relevance and contributions to guiding frameworks":

- Contributes to all GFGs, forest-related SDGs, and Kunming-Montreal Biodiversity Framework, and particularly relevant to GFG 4, SDG target 15.b, and 20 Addis Ababa Action Agenda paragraph 63.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- Lead agency: UNFF; Other CPF partners: FAO, GEF Secretariat, ITTO, UNEP, UNDP, World Bank, IUCN, UNCCD Secretariat, CBD Secretariat, UNFCCC Secretariat, CIFOR-ICRAF, IUFRO, CITES Secretariat, Green Climate Fund

d) External partners:

- African Development Bank, OECD

e) Time frame/duration:

- 2021-2024

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total projected budget: USD 344,000 for 2021; USD 255,000 per annum from 2022 to 2024.

¹⁸ Pursuant to paragraphs 14(a) and 17(b)(ii) of ECOSOC Resolution 2015/33

JI: Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP)

a) Objectives:

To support UNFF and other forest-related intergovernmental processes by assessing available scientific information in a comprehensive, interdisciplinary, objective, open, and transparent way and produce reports on forest-related issues of global concern, including emerging issues.

Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

- CPF core functions: GFEP supports the work of UNFF and its members; provides scientific and technical advice, including on emerging issues to the UNFF and governing bodies of other CPF members, at their request; and enhances coherence, cooperation, and coordination (e.g., joint programming and coordinated proposals to governing bodies) in communication and outreach activities, as well as in activities on emerging issues and challenges;
- Strategic Priorities of the SV 2030: GFEP supports the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests; promotes the science-policy interface and science-based decision making; enhances communication and outreach activities; enhances cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches; contributes to unlocking the full potential and values of forests; identifies emerging issues of significant concerns to forests;
- GFGs and the UNFF thematic priorities for 2021-2024: GFEP is particularly relevant to GFG 4 (target 4.5) and GFG 6 (target 6.2);
- SDGs and other related goals, instruments, processes, and international developments: The GFEP initiative contributes to SDG 17 to targets 17.6, 17.14, and 17.16 and to the KM-GBF Targets 20 and 21.
- Additionally, GFEP's thematic panels address specific SDGs and contribute to their implementation (including SDGs 1, 2, 3, 6, 11, 13, 15). GFEP assessments also contributed to the Kunming-Montreal Biodiversity Framework. and contribute to KM-GBF Targets 2, 8, 10, and 11.

b) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- The lead agency is the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO), and all CPF members participate in this JI as appropriate. CBD Secretariat, CIFOR, CITES, FAO, ICRAF, and UNFF Secretariat are currently on the Steering Committee, which IUFRO chairs.

c) External partners:

- Government agencies act as GFEP donors;
- Research / educational organizations (universities, research institutes, etc.) employ authors and reviewers of GFEP assessment reports;
- Research / educational organizations (universities, research institutes, etc.) support the global assessments (organisation of meetings) and disseminate results;
- International policy processes and intergovernmental organizations provide a platform to promote and disseminate the outcomes of the global assessments..

d) Time frame/duration:

- Continuous.

e) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total project budget:	USD 490,035 per annum
Available resources (<i>pending formal confirmation</i>):	USD 490,035 per annum

JI: Streamlining Global Forest-related Reporting

a) Objectives:

- To harmonize global reporting on forest resources, their management, and uses for various processes and conventions;
- To improve the coverage, quality, and transparency of forest-related data and information;
- To improve monitoring of and reporting on progress towards Sustainable Development Goals of the Agenda 2030, Global Forest Goals of the UNFF's Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030, Paris Agreement and Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework of the Convention on Biological Diversity;
- To reduce the forest-related reporting burden on countries.

The steps towards these objectives are:

- Develop an improved methodology for reporting on primary forests in collaboration with FAO members and other partners;
- Review and revise the scope, terms, and definitions for the Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025 in collaboration with CPF members, international experts, and other partners;
- Further improve the Global Forest Resources Assessment data entry, review, analysis, and reporting platform to:
 - increase consistency, transparency, comparability, and compatibility of collected data;
 - improve the reported metadata;
 - offer the possibility to store and share more detailed data and metadata, including geospatial layers;
 - improve access to ready-to-use data for territories, countries, FAO sub-regions and regions, CFRQ, and used-specified custom country groupings.
- Further participatory development of the Tier 3 indicators of the Global Core Set of forest-related Indicators and making the set available for as many global and regional forest-related reporting processes and mechanisms as possible;
- Analysis of the uptake of the Global Core Set of Forest-related Indicators by other reporting processes and the extent to which they decrease reporting burden on countries;

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

- Contributes to all GFGs, directly and indirectly, forest-related SDGs, NDCs and Paris Agreement and Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- Lead: FAO, UNFFS
- Other: CBD, CIFOR, GEF¹⁹, IUCN, IUFRO, ITTO, UNDP, UNEP, UNFCCC (confirmations pending), CITES Secretariat

d) External partners:

- JRC, WWF, WCS, COMIFAC, Montreal Process, UNECE, FOREST EUROPE

e) Time frame/duration:

- 2021-2024

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total budget: USD 668,000, estimated gap USD 50,000

¹⁹ Through CBIT Forest

JI: Sustainable Wood for a Sustainable World (SW4SW)

a) Objectives:

This initiative's principal goal is to strengthen sustainable wood value chains to enhance their social, economic, and environmental benefits from production to consumption. By setting up collaborative activities with a broad range of stakeholders along the value chains, the initiative advances the responsible production and consumption of legal and sustainable wood in support of the bioeconomy. The initiative contributes to increase socioeconomic benefits from forests, and the supply of low carbon products for a climate-resilient planet, in coherence with forest conservation, restoration, and biodiversity protection.

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

The SW4SW provides direct contributions to the UNSPF by advancing global and local collaboration and partnerships.

The SW4SW supports GFG 2 and GFG 5. It seeks to support forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits, including improving the livelihoods of forest-dependent people. The initiative promotes policies for sustainable wood production and promotes actions to curb illegal production and trade. The initiative works with national and international bodies to consider the sustainable use of forests and wood products in their national sustainable development plans and poverty reduction strategies.

It also contributes to GFGs 4, primarily through catalysing forest-related financing from all sources (4.2) and supporting countries to develop a value chain approach to their forest finance strategies (4.3).

The SW4SW supports GFG 6, building on the capacities and comparative advantages of five CPF organisations and one international NGO while establishing cross-sectoral partnerships with various stakeholders.

The initiative contributes directly to SDGs 1, 8, 12, 13, and 15, with actions that result in income generation and decent employment, more inclusive value chains, innovation and resource efficiency in the wood industry, low carbon products, and increased opportunities for forest restoration, a tree growing, and sustainable forest management.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- FAO (lead), ITTO (co-lead), CIFOR, CITES, IUFRO, and the World Bank.

d) External partners:

- WWF International

e) Time frame/duration:

- 2018-2024

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total target budget: USD 30 million
An estimated gap of USD 25.5 million

Includes a plan to scale up activities, with direct support to countries (estimated ten countries), knowledge management, technical exchange, and awareness campaign. The initiative does not count on specific contributions, relying on a regular budget of participating organisations and synergies with other projects. Initial estimations point to a budget gap of at least USD 25.5 million.

JI: Turning the Tide on Deforestation

a) Objectives:

As a response to the UN Secretary General's 2019 call for 'Turning the Tide on Deforestation, this initiative aims to upscale global ambitions to address deforestation. It focuses on advocacy and scaling up ongoing efforts within and beyond the UN system to halt deforestation following up on the UN Secretary-General's initiative and consecutive recommendations from his Deputy's Committee.

The activities include to continue to:

- keep forests high on the global climate agenda through high-level dialogues in the context of the UNFCCC, through events and country support to include forests in their NDCs;
- map out UN system and CPF work and initiatives on deforestation;
- build transparency for forest assessments while supporting countries' monitoring and decision-making, empowering local communities and delivering on forest and agriculture in a complementary manner.

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

This initiative supports and complements CPF core functions and the relevant UNFF thematic priorities 2021-24, the CPF SV 2030. This initiative impacts all GFGs and forest-related SDGs.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners: FAO, UNEP, UNDP

d) External partners:

e) Time frame/duration: 2022-2024 (to be extended with new activities)

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

II: Strengthening the conservation of primary forests through enhanced partnerships and coordination of support

a) Objectives:

The over-arching objective of this project is to prioritize the conservation of tropical primary forests by elevating their importance in global discourse, including in MEAs, policies, investment decisions and reporting.

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

Donor's dialogue and information. Coordination and information sharing mechanisms will be put in place to inform donors to facilitate their decision making on financing the conservation of primary forests; This will include a mapping exercise of donors' commitment and existing frameworks and instruments and a survey of what are the global financing mechanisms the donors may use to channel their pledges to countries with primary forests.

Capacity Development and information sharing: information, tools, and science will be made available to improve the understanding and capacities of the UNFF members on primary forests and increase the visibility of primary forests in forest financing, future reporting, conservation and restoration initiatives, and the global policy agenda more generally.

Supporting the UNFF Secretariat: Coordinating and reporting CPF members' work and results toward the conservation of primary forests, Other Effective area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs) and other relevant developments (such as PES, REDD+...). This will include enhancing the work of the GFFFN in supporting development and implementation of national forest finance strategies in countries with significant areas of primary forests.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners: The project is funded by the GEF as a Medium Sized Project. IUCN is the Implementing Agency with UNFFS and FAO as executing agencies.

d) External partners: Griffith University and Wild Heritage Foundation (executing agency)

e) Time frame/duration: 2024-2026

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

From the GEF: USD 2 million

Basic information about completed CPF Joint Initiatives:

JI: Green Finance for Sustainable Landscapes (GF4SL)

a) Objectives

- The GF4SL aims to provide enabling conditions for commitments toward deforestation-free, sustainable commodity production and other forms of sustainable land use. The project's overall objective is to boost bank and investor interest to increase capital flows towards restoration and deforestation-free agriculture;
 - Outcome 1: Increase financial institutions' (and other relevant public and private stakeholders) commitments to finance deforestation-free and sustainable commodities production through 1. A Framework Agreement including Key Performance Indicators; and 2. Guidance on options for implementation of the Framework Agreement;
 - Outcome 2: Develop a standardized framework for the measurement and monitoring of environmental and social impacts related to agroforestry loans/investments;
 - Outcome 3: Enhance community-based forestry and agribusiness producer groups and enterprises' capacity to better access business knowledge products and private investment for socially and environmentally sustainable projects.

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

- Contributes to CBD Aichi Biodiversity target 3 and 4, SDG 13 (climate change; 'mobilized climate finance to achieve Paris Climate Objectives') and SDG 17 ('partnership for SDG goals'), Objectives under the NY Declaration of Forests to 'end tropical deforestation by 2030 altogether and half it by 2020'.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners:

- UNEP, CIFOR, GEF

d) External partners:

- All interested CPF members are invited to join the project Advisory Board
- The project aims at a minimum of 15 financial institutions signing the Framework Agreement
- Other public and private stakeholders (e.g., governments, businesses, trading companies) will also be approached to sign the Framework Agreement

e) Time frame/duration:

- Three years (2021-2023)

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total project budget: USD 6,747,970 (including USD 909,883 from GEF plus confirmed co-finance)

Basic information about planned Joint Initiatives

JI: Integrated Fire Management in Tropical Forests

a) Objectives:

The overarching objective of this initiative is to significantly reduce the incidence, damage and loss of forest fires in tropical forests, thereby contributing to the sustainable management of these invaluable natural assets for the purpose of fostering sustainable development.

This initiative will contribute to the promotion of effective Integrated Fire Management (IFM) in tropical forests and help strengthen countries' capacities in the context of promoting global fire management initiatives, including the implementation of ITTO Guidelines on Fire Management in Tropical Forests and supporting the promotion of IFM under the Global Fire Management Hub hosted by FAO. Key activities of the initiative include improving policy frameworks, building capacities and skill development for actors and stakeholders, including local forest communities, and enhancing regional and global cooperation. The three outputs expected under this initiative are outlined below:

Expected Results/Outputs:

Output 1: Strengthened Policy Frameworks for Integrated Fire Management in Tropical Forests

Output 2: Enhanced Capacities for Implementing Integrated Fire Management in Tropical Forests

Output 3: Strengthened Regional and International Collaboration, Information Sharing, Knowledge Management, Networking, and Outreach for Integrated Fire Management in Tropical Forests

b) Relevance and contributions to "guiding frameworks":

This initiative links closely with the UN Strategic Plan for Forests and the six Global Forest Goals. It also aligns with the objectives of the Paris Agreement. This could also contribute to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 1, 3, 8, 10, 15 and 16.

This initiative directly contributes to the achievement of the Global Forest Goals 1, 3, 5 and 6 and SDGs 3, 5, 7, 12, 13, 15, and 17.

c) Lead agencies and other CPF partners: ITTO, FAO, UNFFS

d) External partners: Intergovernmental and governmental organizations, Non-governmental partners (tbc)

e) Time frame/duration: 2024–2028

f) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

TBC

JI: Forests for Food Security and Nutrition

This initiative aims to update the current data and information on the links between forests, food security and nutrition, as well as to gather context-specific evidence based on case-studies at regional, sub-regional, country and community-levels. It will focus on identifying challenges and opportunities in putting in place sound cross-sectoral policies and programmes that enhance the links between forestry, agriculture, food security and nutrition.

The initiative also aims to establish a joint roadmap of scaling up actions and implementation to enhance the contribution of forests to food security and nutrition particularly at country level, through a global dialogue.

The outcomes of the report shall shed light on actions needed, especially at national level to achieve sustainable forestry and food security at the same time.

The JI provides direct support to GFG 2, 5 and 6. It contributes GFG2 by identifying challenges and opportunities in enhancing the contribution of forests to food security (i.e. increased access to food) and livelihoods based on the updated data and information. It also contributes to GFG 5 & 6 as the initiative is aligned with the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) as the expected report will contain the updates of the current data and information, good practices as well as the challenges and opportunities in implementing sound cross-sectoral policies and programmes (related to forestry, agriculture, food security and nutrition).

- a) Lead agencies and other CPF partners: lead agency FAO, with CIFOR-ICRAF and the World Bank as partners.
- b) External partners: Committee on World Food Security (CFS); IFAD and WFP (members of CFS). Bioversity International (partner of the 1st International Conference on Forests for Food Security and Nutrition in 2013)
- c) Time frame/duration: 2024–2027
- d) Resource implications (total project budget, total estimated budget gap):

Total project budget for 2024-2027: 650.000 USD

Table 3: An overview table visualizing all activities in this subsection and their relevance and contributions to the "guiding frameworks."

CPF Joint Initiatives	CPF Core functions <i>(Policy Document)</i>	Strategic priorities <i>(SV 2030)</i>	Global Forest Goals and UNFF thematic priorities <i>(UNSPF; 4PoW 2021-2024)</i>	SDGs <i>(2030 Agenda)</i>	<i>Other forest-related goals, instruments, processes, and international developments</i>
Jl: Communicators' Network	(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (d) Promote implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) and the UNSPF as well as the contribution of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other major forest-related agreements.	(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities; (e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests; (f) Identify emerging issues of significant concerns to forests.	Global Forest Goal 6: Enhance cooperation, coordination, coherence, and synergies on forest-related issues at all levels, including within the UN system and across CPF member organizations, as well as across sectors and relevant stakeholders.	SDG 15 SDG 17	The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030
Jl: Wangari Maathai Award (in 2021 and 2024)	(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (d) Promote implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) and the UNSPF as well as the contribution of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other major forest-related agreements.	(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities; (e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests;	Global Forest Goal 6: Enhance cooperation, coordination, coherence, and synergies on forest-related issues at all levels, including within the UN system and across CPF member organizations, as well as across sectors and relevant stakeholders.	SDG 15	
Jl: Forest Education		a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests; d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches; e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests;	GFG 1 GFG 2 GFG 6	SDG 4 SDG17 SDG15 SDG 12 SDG 10 SDG 8	
Jl: Forest Finance Facilitation	(a) Support the work of the UNFF and its member countries; (c) Enhance coherence and cooperation, as well as policy and programme and coordination, at all levels among its member organizations, including through joint programming and the submission of coordinated proposals to their respective governing bodies, consistent with their mandates; (d) Promote implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) and the UNSPF as well as the contribution of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other major forest-related agreements.	(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests;	Thematic priorities for 2021-2022: (iii) mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation; promoting governance frameworks to advance implementation; and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFGs 4, 5, and 6) Thematic priorities for 2023-2024: (i) enhancing forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits (GFG 2); (ii) increase significantly the area of protected forests worldwide and other areas of sustainably managed forests, as well as the proportion of forest products from sustainably managed forests (GFG 3); and (iii) mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation; promoting governance frameworks to advance implementation; and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and	SDG15 SDG17	The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030; The Paris Agreement its nationally determined contributions (NDCs) The Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets of the UNCCD The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the CBD

			coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFGs 4, 5 and 6).		
Jl: Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP)	<p>(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (e.g., joint programming and coordinated proposals to governing bodies)</p> <p>(a) Support the work of UNFF and members</p> <p>(b) Provide scientific and technical advice, including on emerging issues, to the UNFF and governing bodies of other CPF members, at their request;</p>	<p>(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests</p> <p>(b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision making</p> <p>(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities</p> <p>(d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches</p> <p>(e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests</p> <p>(f) Identify emerging issues of significant concerns to forests.</p>	<p>GFG 4 (target 4.5)</p> <p>GFG 6 (target 6.2)</p>	<p>SDG 17 primarily targets 17.6, 17.14, and 17.16.</p> <p>GFEP's thematic panels address specific SDGs (including: SDG 1, 2, 3, 6, 11, 13, and 15)</p>	The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the CBD
Jl: Streamlining Global Forest-related Reporting	<p>(a) Support the work of UNFF and members</p> <p>(b) Provide scientific and technical advice, including on emerging issues, to the UNFF and governing bodies of other CPF members, at their request;</p> <p>(c) Enhance coherence and cooperation, as well as policy and programme and coordination, at all levels among its member organizations, including through joint programming and the submission of coordinated proposals to their respective governing bodies, consistent with their mandates;</p>	<p>(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests;</p> <p>(b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision making;</p> <p>(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities;</p> <p>(d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches;</p>	All Global Forest Goals	<p>SDG 15</p> <p>SDG 13</p> <p>SDG 12</p> <p>SDG 6</p> <p>SDG 3</p> <p>SDG 2</p> <p>SDG 1</p>	<p>The Paris Agreement its nationally determined contributions (NDCs)</p> <p>The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the CBD</p> <p>The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030</p>
Jl: Sustainable Wood for a Sustainable World (SW4SW)	<p>(c) Enhance coherence and cooperation, as well as policy and programme and coordination, at all levels among its member organizations, including through joint programming and the submission of coordinated proposals to their respective governing bodies, consistent with their mandates;</p> <p>(d) Promote implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) and the UNSPF as well as the contribution of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other major forest-related agreements.</p>	<p>(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests;</p> <p>(b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision-making;</p> <p>(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities;</p> <p>(d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches;</p> <p>(e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests</p>	GFG 2, 4, 5 and 6	<p>SDG 1</p> <p>SDG 8</p> <p>SDG 12</p> <p>SDG 13</p> <p>SDG 15</p>	

<p>JI: Turning the tide on deforestation</p>	<p>(a) Support the work of UNFF and members</p> <p>(c) Enhance coherence and cooperation, as well as policy and programme and coordination, at all levels among its member organizations, including through joint programming and the submission of coordinated proposals to their respective governing bodies, consistent with their mandates;</p> <p>(d) Promote the implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI &) and the UNSPF and as well as the contribution to of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other global major forest-related agreements.</p>	<p>(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities</p>	<p>All Global Forest Goals</p>	<p>SDG 3 SDG 6 SDG 11 SDG 12 SDG 13 SDG 14 SDG 15</p>	<p>The Paris Agreement its nationally determined contributions (NDCs)</p> <p>The Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets of the UNCCD</p> <p>The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030;</p> <p>The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework of the CBD</p>
<p>JI: Strengthening the conservation of primary forests through enhanced partnerships and coordination of support</p>	<p>(a) Support the work of UNFF and members</p> <p>(b) Provide scientific and technical advice, including on emerging issues, to the UNFF and governing bodies of other CPF members, at their request;</p> <p>(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (e.g., joint programming and coordinated proposals to governing bodies)</p> <p>(d) Promote implementation of the United Nations Forest Instrument (UNFI) and the UNSPF as well as the contribution of forests and trees to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other major forest-related agreements.</p>	<p>(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests</p> <p>(b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision making;</p> <p>(c) Enhance communication and outreach activities</p> <p>(d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches</p> <p>(e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests</p> <p>(f) Identify emerging issues of significant concerns to forests.</p>	<p>GFG 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6</p>	<p>SDG 13 SDG 15 SDG 17</p>	<p>The Paris Agreement and its nationally determined contributions (NDCs)</p> <p>The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030;</p> <p>The Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) targets of the UNCCD</p>
<p>Completed JI: Green Finance for Sustainable Landscapes (GF4SL)</p>	<p>(c) Enhance coherence, cooperation & coordination (e.g., joint programming and coordinated proposals to governing bodies)</p> <p>(d) Promote the implementation of UNFI & UNSPF and contribution to 2030 Agenda and other global agreements</p>	<p>(a) Support the achievement of the globally agreed goals and targets on forests;</p> <p>(b) Promote the science-policy interface and science-based decision making;</p> <p>(d) Enhance cross-sectoral collaboration, policy coherence, coordination, and integrated approaches;</p> <p>(e) Unlock the full potential and values of forests;</p>	<p>Reversions of forest cover (GFG 1); Enhancing forest-based economic, social, and environmental benefits (GFG 2); Mobilizing financial resources and strengthening scientific and technical cooperation (GFG 4); and enhancing cooperation, coordination, and coherence, for sustainable forest management (GFG 6).</p>	<p>SDG 13 SDG 15 SDG 17</p>	<p>The UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021-2030</p>

Table 4: Work plan actions and respective aggregated resource implications for the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024

CPF Joint Initiatives	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total project budget (USD) ²⁰
	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	Actions, expected outputs/outcomes	
Jl: Communicators' Network	<p>Celebration of IDF21, communicating the theme, development of outreach products.</p> <p>Proposal of an IDF theme 2022 and 2023.</p> <p>Review, update and translate website.</p> <p>Support the promotion of the WMA.</p> <p>Support outreach for the WFC XV.</p> <p>Support outreach for key international events (COPs, UN Food Systems Summit, etc.)</p> <p>Promote other international days such as the WWD.</p>	<p>Celebration of IDF22, communicating the theme, development of outreach products</p> <p>Review, update and translate website</p> <p>Support the promotion of the WMA, revamp the WMA tribute film</p> <p>Support outreach for the WFC XV</p> <p>Support outreach for key international events (COFO, COPs etc.)</p> <p>Promote other international days such as the WWD</p>	<p>Celebration of IDF23, communicating the theme, development of outreach products</p> <p>Selection of the IDF theme 2024</p> <p>Review, update and translate website</p> <p>Support the promotion of the WMA</p> <p>Support outreach for key international events (COPs etc.)</p> <p>Promote other international days such as the WWD</p>	<p>Celebration of IDF24, communicating the theme, development of outreach products</p> <p>Selection of the IDF theme 2025</p> <p>Launch the 'Grow the solution' campaign to strengthen global advocacy on sustainable wood</p> <p>Review, update and translate website</p> <p>Support the promotion of the WMA</p> <p>Support outreach for key international events (COFO, COPs etc.)</p> <p>Promote other international days such as the WWD</p>	USD 964,000 (USD 241,000 per annum)
Jl: Wangari Maathai Award (in 2022 and 2024)	<p>Launch and promotion of the award</p> <p>Update the website</p>	<p>Establish the jury and select the 2022 awardee</p> <p>Prize, travel, and logistics for the winner</p> <p>Organization of the 2022 award ceremony event at the WFC and a panel of previous winners</p> <p>Outreach campaign for the winner</p>	<p>Launch and promotion of the next 2024 WMA</p> <p>WMA call for nominations</p> <p>Scoping for a high-profile events for the award ceremony in 2024</p>	<p>Establish the jury and select the 2024 awardee</p> <p>Prize, travel, and logistics for the winner</p> <p>Organization of the 2024 award ceremony event</p> <p>Outreach campaign for the winner</p>	USD 100,000 (USD 50,000 per award)
Jl: Forest Education	<p>Conduct six regional consultations</p> <p>Publish six regional assessment reports</p>	<p>Launch and publish the global assessment on forest education at the 26th Session of the FAO Committee</p>	<p>Develop updated workplan for the 2nd phase on Forest Education: Jl: Forest Education: capacity</p>	<p>Work on non-formal forest education and extension for the</p>	Germany indicated to support the second

²⁰ Budgets are indicative estimates of in-kind and cash contributions

	<p>Organise International Conference on Forest Education; 22-24 June 2021</p> <p>Launch of “Online Learning Course on Legal and Sustainable Supply Chains (LSSC) of Tropical Wood and Tropical Forest Products” developed by ITTO</p> <p>Presentation of prototype of the online platform Forestra developed by IUFRO</p>	<p>on Forestry / World Forest Week in Rome.</p>	<p>development and knowledge sharing for sustainable development</p> <p>Update website</p>	<p>sustainable management of forests</p> <p>Provide technical support to forest communities</p>	<p>phase of the project with USD 1,000,000</p>
<p>J1: Forest Finance Facilitation</p>	<p>A1. Regular data/information sharing by CPF member for the established CH databases;</p> <p>A3. Establish a Network of Accredited entities' focal points;</p>	<p>A1. Regular data/information sharing by CPF member for the established CH databases;</p> <p>A2. Identify data sources for Phase II of the CH, namely its database on financing flows to forestry</p> <p>A3. The GFFFN and accredited entities jointly support developing countries in accessing financing for forests.</p>	<p>A1. Regular data/information sharing by CPF member for the established CH databases;</p> <p>A2. The GFFFN and accredited entities jointly support developing countries in accessing financing for forests.</p>	<p>A1. Regular data/information sharing by CPF member for the established CH databases;</p> <p>A2. The GFFFN and accredited entities jointly support developing countries in accessing financing for forests.</p>	<p>A1.USD 15,000 per annum</p> <p>A2. USD 89,000 (for the year 2021 only)</p> <p>A3.USD 240,000 per annum</p> <p>Total:</p> <p>USD 344,000 for 2021;</p> <p>USD 255,000 per annum from 2022 to 2024</p>
<p>J1: Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Selection of new topic for global assessment - Composition of a new Global Forest Expert Panel on a selected topic - Development of global assessment report on that topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further development of the new GFEP assessment on Forests and Human Health - Meetings of the Global Forest Expert Panel on Forests and Human Health - Peer review and finalisation of the global assessment report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Finalisation and launch of the global assessment report on Forests and Human Health and accompanying Policy Brief on 21 March 2023, the International Day of Forests - Communication and outreach of the global assessment outcomes - Selection of new topic for a global assessment - Composition of a new Global Forest Expert Panel on the selected topic - Initiation of global assessment report on that topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continuation of the new GFEP assessment on forests for social and economic resilience: scoping meeting with CPF members; endorsement of ToR by CPF; distribution of tasks among the Expert Panel; development of drafts of the assessment report (launch of assessment report and associated policy brief by mid-2025) - Communication and outreach concerning the new and previous assessments 	<p>USD 1,960,142</p> <p>(USD 490.035 per annum)</p>
<p>J1: Streamlining Global Forest-related Reporting</p>	<p>Development of an improved methodology for reporting on primary</p>	<p>Complete development of an improved methodology for reporting on primary</p>	<p>Global Forest Resources Assessment Platform’s data entry, and review, functionalities operational.</p>	<p>Further improvements of the Global Forest Resources Assessment data entry, review,</p>	<p>USD 718,000</p>

	<p>forests in collaboration with FAO members and other partners</p> <p>Further participatory development of the Tier 3 indicators of the Global Core Set of forest-related indicators and making the set available for as many global and regional forest-related reporting processes and mechanisms as possible;</p> <p>Further improvements of the Global Forest Resources Assessment data entry, review, analysis, and reporting platform</p> <p>Review and revision of FRA scope, terms, and definitions of the Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025.</p>	<p>forests in collaboration with FAO members and other partners</p> <p>Develop of a document describing the status of, and trends in, the Global Core Set of forest related indicators</p> <p>Analysis of the uptake of the Global Core Set of Forest-related Indicators by other reporting processes and the extent to which they decrease reporting burden on countries</p> <p>Further improvements of the Global Forest Resources Assessment data entry, review, analysis, and reporting platform</p> <p>Further participatory development of the Tier 3 indicators of the Global Core Set of forest-related indicators and making the set available for as many global and regional forest-related reporting processes and mechanisms as possible</p>	<p>Necessary functionalities for joint Pan-European data collection and review implemented and operational.</p> <p>Further development of the data dissemination functionalities of the Global Forest Resources Assessment platform initiated.</p> <p>Joint global UNFF-FAO workshop on reporting on progress towards global forest goals and targets of the UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2030 organized (22-24 March 23)²¹.</p> <p>Further participatory development of the Tier 3 indicators of the Global Core Set of forest-related indicators and making the set available for as many global and regional forest-related reporting processes and mechanisms as possible</p>	<p>analysis, and reporting platform</p>	
<p>J1: Sustainable Wood for a Sustainable World (SW4SW)</p>	<p>Launch of the global media campaign for sustainable wood at the WFC.</p> <p>Initial support to 2 countries in Africa</p> <p>Regional; Sub-regional National SW4SW Dialogues and technical cooperation</p> <p>Investment Forum</p> <p>Website (improvement)</p> <p>Publication of guide to develop forest-based bankable businesses</p>	<p>Presentation of the global media campaign for sustainable wood at the WFC.</p> <p>Sustainable wood plenary at the WFC.</p> <p>National policy dialogue in Cameroon focused on the elaboration of a roadmap for strengthening of sustainability, value addition and productivity of domestic and regional wood value chains.</p> <p>Side-event at the Annual Meeting of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership to present the draft regional roadmap for development for increased value addition in the wood value chains and potential of regional collaboration</p> <p>Improvement of the website</p>	<p>Regional exchange on finance for sustainable wood production by smallholders and SMEs in Africa.</p> <p>Support to Cameroon to implement the roadmap for strengthening of sustainability, value addition and productivity of domestic and regional wood value chains.</p> <p>Presentation at the Congo Basin Forest Partnership Annual Meeting on the strengthening of sustainable wood production and consumption in the region and follow-up on the Sustainable Wood Declaration.</p> <p>Collaboration with IUFRO to implement project “Towards a Global Wood Policy Platform: Sustainable Wood for a Carbon-</p>	<p>Two global Policy Dialogues and Call for Action to accelerate uptake of sustainable wood products and their value chains in developmental and climate change goals.</p> <p>Awareness-raising and capacity building to strengthen wood value chains for the building sector and promote inclusion of smallholders, SMEs and producer associations.</p> <p>Global and regional policy and science consultations and dialogues on sustainable wood products in the bioeconomy, including technology, market potential, and forest capacity to</p>	<p>USD 1,750,000 (2023-24)</p>

²¹ <https://www.un.org/esa/forests/events/mar-workshop-march-2023/index.html>

		<p>Inputs to COFO 26/SOFO 2022</p> <p>Support to 2-4 countries.</p> <p>South-South cooperation</p> <p>Regional exchange on finance for sustainable wood production by smallholders and SMEs;</p> <p>Two country dialogues and technical cooperation</p> <p>Investment Forum session on finance for sustainable landscapes building on wood production and restoration and the WFC.</p> <p>E-learning course on developing bankable businesses</p> <p>Website (improvement)</p>	<p>neutral Bioeconomy”, funded by Austria to facilitate technical and scientific knowledge and policy experience exchanges as well as global and regional policy dialogues on up-scaling the contribution of sustainable wood-based materials and bioenergy.</p> <p>Work with countries, including in the context of GEF8 proposals, to explore linkages between sustainable wood value chains and forest restoration, including to address the “wood gap”, i.e. the wood needs to support the expansion of consumption and the bioeconomy, by associating wood value chain projects to forest restoration interventions, supporting integration of forest communities and producers to value chains, and disseminating innovation to take advantage of new market opportunities.</p> <p>Promote sustainable wood value chains and sustainable production from planted and natural forests in Latin America, in joint symposium with the International Commission on Poplars and Other Fast-Growing Trees Sustaining People and the Environment (IPC), at the VIII Latin American Forest Congress, in Argentina.</p> <p>Resources mobilization to support to 12 countries supported for 2-4 years), knowledge management, awareness raising, and policy networks. Regional; Sub-regional National SW4SW Dialogues and technical cooperation</p> <p>Investment Forum</p> <p>Good practices</p>	<p>support sustainable wood supply.</p> <p>Collaboration with non-forest actors, such as UN-Habitat, architects and city managers to promote forest-city building/infrastructure linkages.</p> <p>Assessment reports on sustainable wood policies, sustainable wood in the bioeconomy, and inclusion of harvested wood products in climate change accounting and commitments.</p> <p>Dissemination of country good practices and leadership at COFO 27.</p> <p>Resources mobilization for 2025-2030 period.</p>	
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<p>JJ: Turning the tide on deforestation</p>	<p>CPF Joint Statement Challenges and opportunities in turning the tide on deforestation, 2021</p> <p>CPF Publication: Turning the tide on deforestation: flagship initiatives of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, 2021</p> <p>High-level dialogue at COP26 on 'Upscaling actions to turn the tide on deforestation'</p> <p>UNFF16 side event the role of forests in time of crisis: sustainable production and consumption patterns to turn the tide on deforestation</p>	<p>High-level dialogue at COP27 on 'Turning the Tide on Deforestation'</p> <p>Global Landscape Forum - how forests can help transforming agrifood systems</p>	<p>Event at COP28 'Beyond carbon - realizing untapped potential of forests to combat climate change'</p> <p>Event at COP28 'Forests for Our Common Future - Halting and Reversing Deforestation by 2030'</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update joint key message turning the tide on deforestation - Support countries to include in their NDCs 	
<p>JJ: Strengthening the conservation of primary forests through enhanced partnerships and coordination of support</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project inception workshop - Establish PMU - Side events at UNFF 19 session on primary forests, - Side events on primary forests at UNFCCC COP 29 and UNCBD COP 16 - Initiate desk reviews and assessments on primary forests 	
<p>Completed JJ: Green Finance for Sustainable Landscapes (GF4SL)</p>	<p>1. Establishment of a Forest, Food, and Finance Alliance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Framework agreement (including KPIs) - Outreach and marketing - Launch - Report on options for implementation of commitments <p>2. Development and launch of a learning hub for communities and small businesses, to include tools,</p>	<p>1. Lessons learned from blended finance models developed and disseminated through a minimum of min 2 info briefs focusing on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) impact framing/measuring/monitoring (b) how barriers have been addressed (c) conditions to enable financing <p>2. 5 FIs or PP initiatives work with the project on a standardized impact framework</p>	<p>1. Min 15 financial institutions and other stakeholders sign Framework Agreement</p> <p>2. Three additional info briefs are produced on impact framing and on addressing barriers</p> <p>3. Min 5 financial institutions adopt a standardized framework to measure and monitor impacts of sustainable LU financing</p> <p>4. Min additional 200 producer orgs and 200 women are trained</p>		<p>USD 6,747,970²²</p>

²² This includes funding from the GEF as well as cash and in-kind contributions for this JJ from UNEP and CIFOR.

	datasets, case studies, business models	3. Knowledge products are available on the learning hub, min 100 producer orgs and 100 women are trained			
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Section III: Follow-up, review, and reporting on the progress of the work plan

31. The CPF will follow up and take stock of the progress made in the implementation of the work plan annually, via documentation prepared for the annual UNFF sessions and through the CPF Chair's statement during the session.

32. The CPF will review the existing work plan and update it when necessary (e.g., including new CPF Joint Initiatives or other types of collective activities).

33. As part of the midterm review of the International Arrangement on Forests, the UNFF will review the effectiveness of the CPF in achieving its objectives in 2024. In this respect, the UNFF through the UNFF17 resolution, decided to implement the following actions related to the CPF:

- a) Assess the progress made by the CPF in carrying out its functions towards the objectives of the international arrangement on forests, as defined in ECOSOC resolution 2015/33.²³
- b) Assess the effectiveness, impact and added value of the CPF's activities as outlined in its workplan, including with regard to its resources; output delivery; joint initiatives, including how the Forum can provide input thereto, and recurrent activities to foster the implementation of the UNSPF and the achievement of the Global Forest Goals and the Sustainable Development Goals.²⁴
- c) Consider the suitability of establishing criteria for membership of the CPF.²⁵
- d) Assess how the CPF could provide greater support to the policy development work of the UNFF and assist countries to strengthen their implementation of the UNSPF, UNFF resolutions and decisions on the ground, including the means to further benefit from the capacities of other international and regional stakeholders and partners.²⁶
- e) Assess the efficacy of internal communications within the CPF to promote mutual synergies, reduce duplication and enhance the CPF's communications and outreach externally to promote awareness-raising of the multiple benefits of forests and raise the visibility of the UNSPF and the Global Forest Goals within other forest-related processes.²⁷

To carry out the above-mentioned tasks, an independent study could be carried out, in consultation with the CPF and UNFF members. The result of the study should be presented at an intersessional meeting to be organized by the CPF (the organization-led initiative) for discussion, with a view to making proposals regarding the CPF to the open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc expert group referred to in paragraph 30 of the UNFF17 resolution.²⁸

²³ Paragraph 1 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

²⁴ Paragraph 2 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

²⁵ Paragraph 3 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

²⁶ Paragraph 4 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

²⁷ Paragraph 5 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

²⁸ Paragraph 6 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

ANNEX I: Guidance from governing bodies of CPF member organizations

This Annex provides a summary of the guidance from governing bodies that the CPF considered developing this work plan.

FAO Council (guidance from the 171st session)²⁹

- encouraged FAO to continue playing an active role in relevant international fora by promoting open dialogue on enhancing and promoting sustainable agrifood systems and further working with other international partners, including all relevant stakeholders and particularly members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), to upscale synergies between agriculture and forestry.
- recommended FAO to strengthen its leadership role in the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF).

FAO Committee on Forestry (guidance from the 26th session)³⁰

- recommended FAO to continue supporting, as appropriate, increased cooperation and coordination between international policies and activities related to wood and non-wood forest products, especially through the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), to maximize synergies and co-benefits.
- encouraged FAO to continue playing an active role in relevant international and regional fora by promoting open dialogue on enhancing and promoting sustainable agrifood systems and further working with other international partners, including all relevant stakeholders and particularly members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), to upscale synergies between agriculture and forestry.
- recommended FAO to continue and strengthen collaboration with the Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire (CFRQ) partners, members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) and other partners, including UN entities, to reduce the reporting burden, enhance synergies and increase transparency of reporting processes and resulting data.
- recommended FAO to continue, in coordination with CPF members, the promotion and dissemination of the Global Core Set of Forest related indicators, and to improve their tier levels.
- welcomed the progress and accomplishments of FAO's work in support of the Global Forest Goals, the UN Strategic Plan for Forests (UNSPF) and the CPF.
- recommended FAO to strengthen its leadership role in the CPF, and facilitate active participation of CPF members in the mid-term review of the International Arrangement on Forests, in particular of the CPF.

UNFF

UNFF17 resolution

Implementation of the United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests

- *Also invites* the CPF to continue strengthen its collaboration and support to the work of the Forum and its Members for the implementation of the Forum's quadrennial programme of work for the period 2021–2024 and the UN Strategic Plan for Forests.³¹
- *Encourages* Members of the Forum to implement the Global Forest Goals, taking into account national circumstances, to contribute to the implementation of forest-related multilateral instruments, processes, commitments and goals, and in this respect, *invites*

²⁹ Paragraph 20, 24 of CL/171/REP

³⁰ Paragraph 15, 17, 23, 30 of COFO/2022/REP

³¹ Paragraph 2 of UNFF17 resolution

CPF member organizations to enhance cooperation and collaborations and strengthen their support to the Forum and its Members.³²

Means of implementation, including operations and resources of the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network

- *Invites* members of the CPF to consider seconding staff to the secretariat to enhance the capacity of the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network with a view to providing adequate and timely support to members of the Forum, and to scale up support to the activities of the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network.³³
- *Further requests* the Secretariat, within the existing resources, to regularly update the Global Forest Financing Facilitation Network clearing house databases, and communicate information to familiarize Members of the Forum with the databases, and in this respect, *invites* members of the CPF to contribute, as appropriate, within their mandates and available resources.³⁴

Monitoring, assessment, and reporting

- *Further requests* that the secretariat of the Forum, through voluntary contributions and in consultation with Members of the Forum, to organize jointly with the FAO and other relevant CPF member organizations, a global workshop on national voluntary reporting on progress towards Global Forest Goals and targets, with a focus on data sources, collection, and methodologies for which there is a lack of systematic data, with modalities for inclusive participation, and with due regard to all UN official languages subject to availability of extrabudgetary resources.³⁵
- *Also invites* members of the Forum and the governing bodies of member organizations of the CPF to make use of the global core set of forest-related indicators and *invites* the secretariat of the Forum, in collaboration with FAO and other relevant CPF member organizations, to arrange further work on tier 3 indicators¹, including the improvement of concepts, definitions, and voluntary testing in the field.³⁶

Preparations for the midterm review in 2024 of the effectiveness of the International Arrangement on Forests

- 30. *Further decides*:

(d) That actions contained in the annex to this resolution should be implemented, in a transparent and independent manner, and in close consultation with Members of the Forum, as well as CPF member organizations and other relevant stakeholders, including through questionnaires, where appropriate.

Annex: Actions in preparations for the midterm review in 2024, of the effectiveness of the International Arrangement on Forests

C. Actions related to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests

³² Paragraph 5 of UNFF17 resolution

³³ Paragraph 16 of UNFF17 resolution

³⁴ Paragraph 18 of UNFF17 resolution

³⁵ Paragraph 25 of UNFF17 resolution

³⁶ Paragraph 27 of UNFF17 resolution

- Assess the progress made by the CPF in carrying out its functions towards the objectives of the international arrangement on forests, as defined in ECOSOC resolution 2015/33.³⁷
- Assess the effectiveness, impact and added value of the CPF's activities as outlined in its workplan, including with regard to its resources; output delivery; joint initiatives, including how the Forum can provide input thereto, and recurrent activities to foster the implementation of the strategic plan and the achievement of the global forest goals and the Sustainable Development Goals.³⁸
- Consider the suitability of establishing criteria for membership of the CPF.³⁹
- Assess how the CPF could provide greater support to the policy development work of the Forum and assist countries to strengthen their implementation of the strategic plan, Forum resolutions and decisions on the ground, including the means to further benefit from the capacities of other international and regional stakeholders and partners.⁴⁰
- Assess the efficacy of internal communications within the CPF to promote mutual synergies, reduce duplication and enhance the Partnership's communications and outreach externally to promote awareness-raising of the multiple benefits of forests and raise the visibility of the strategic plan and the global forest goals within other forest-related processes.⁴¹
- To carry out the above-mentioned tasks, an independent study could be carried out, in consultation with the Partnership and Forum members. The result of the study should be presented at an intersessional meeting to be organized by the Partnership (the organization-led initiative) for discussion, with a view to making proposals regarding the Partnership to the open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc expert group referred to in paragraph 30 of the present resolution.⁴²

UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2017-2030

- The work of the UNFF is supported by its Secretariat, the Trust Fund for the UNFF, and the CPF. The CPF is a voluntary partnership chaired by FAO and comprising 14 international organizations with significant programmes on forests. The functions of the UNFF, its Secretariat, and the CPF are contained in ECOSOC resolution 2015/33 of 22 July 2015.⁴³
- The GFGs and targets are intended to stimulate and provide a framework for voluntary actions, contributions, and enhanced cooperation by countries and international, regional, subregional, and non-governmental partners and stakeholders. They also provide a reference for enhanced coherence and collaboration on forests within the UN system and among member organizations of the CPF, as well as among other forest-related organizations and processes.⁴⁴
- Global Forest Goal 6
Enhance cooperation, coordination, coherence, and synergies on forest-related issues at all levels, including within the UN system and across member organizations of the CPF, as well as across sectors and relevant stakeholders

³⁷ Paragraph 1 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

³⁸ Paragraph 2 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

³⁹ Paragraph 3 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

⁴⁰ Paragraph 4 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

⁴¹ Paragraph 5 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

⁴² Paragraph 6 in Section C of Annex to UNFF17 resolution

⁴³ Paragraph 20 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁴⁴ Paragraph 26 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

6.2 Forest-related programmes across member organizations of the CPF are coherent and complementary and together encompass the multiple contributions of forests and the forest sector to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.⁴⁵

- The UNFF is the responsible intergovernmental body for follow-up and review of the implementation of the UNSPF, including through providing guidance to the CPF and ensuring the smooth interplay between its odd- and even-year sessions.⁴⁶
- Member organizations of the CPF play an important role in implementing the UNSPF and are encouraged to integrate relevant GFGs and targets into their forest-related plans and programmes, where appropriate and consistent with their respective mandates.⁴⁷
- The CPF is invited to support the UNFF and its members in advancing the GFGs and targets, including through cooperation and partnership among its members, implementing a joint work plan with the CPF which is aligned with the UNFF's quadrennial programmes of work; and by identifying collective actions by all or subsets of the CPF's members, as well as associated resource needs.⁴⁸
- Members of the UNFF are encouraged to support the CPF workplan as an essential strategy for improving cooperation, synergies, and coherence among member organizations of the CPF. Members of the UNFF are also encouraged to provide voluntary financial contributions to support the activities of the CPF and its member organizations.⁴⁹
- Effective attainment of the GFGs and targets also requires the mobilization of the best available scientific and traditional forest-related knowledge. The scientific community, in cooperation with the Forum and its members, is encouraged to support the implementation of the strategic plan, through scientific inputs presented to the UNFF. In doing so, the UNFF is invited to build upon existing joint initiatives of the CPF and further strengthen these initiatives.⁵⁰
- The GFFFN of the UNFF, in close cooperation with members of the CPF, contributes to the scaling-up of sustainable forest management by facilitating access by countries to resources to implement the UNSPF and to achieve its GFGs and targets. To this end, the priorities for the GFFFN are:
 - (a) To promote and assist members in designing national forest financing strategies to mobilize resources for sustainable forest management, including existing national initiatives, within the framework of national forest programmes or other appropriate national frameworks;
 - (b) To assist countries in mobilizing, accessing, and enhancing the effective use of existing financial resources from all sources for sustainable forest management, taking into account national policies and strategies;
 - (c) To serve as a clearinghouse and database on existing, new, and emerging financing opportunities and as a tool for sharing lessons learned and best practices from successful projects, building on the CPF online sourcebook for forest financing;
 - (d) To contribute to the achievement of the GFGs and targets, as well as priorities contained in the quadrennial programmes of work.⁵¹

⁴⁵ Paragraph 27 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁴⁶ Paragraph 35 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁴⁷ Paragraph 38 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁴⁸ Paragraph 39 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁴⁹ Paragraph 40 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁵⁰ Paragraph 61 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁵¹ Paragraph 62 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

- The assessment should take into account voluntary national reporting on the implementation of the UNSPF, the UNFI, voluntary national contributions, and the results of the most recent Global Forest Resources Assessment of FAO, as well as inputs from the CPF and its member organizations and other partners within and outside the UN system, including regional and subregional organizations and relevant stakeholders.⁵²
- The UNFF, as a functional commission of the ECOSOC, should contribute to the follow-up to and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs, including through the work of the CPF on global forest indicators, as well as highlight the contribution of forests to the SDGs, to be reviewed in-depth at the annual sessions of the high-level political forum on sustainable development.⁵³
- The UN system, the CPF, and its member organizations and other partners are encouraged to enhance cooperation and synergies on forest-related communication and outreach to increase the impact of their messaging and to consider joint events and products with national, regional, subregional, and non-governmental organizations and processes.⁵⁴

International Arrangement on Forests

- *Notes* the ongoing efforts of the CPF and its members and other relevant entities and processes to work jointly to further streamline and harmonize reporting, reduce reporting burdens and synchronize data collection, taking into account the collaborative forest resources questionnaire developed as part of the Global Forest Resources Assessment 2015, in order to foster synergy and coherence.⁵⁵
- *Decides* that the Forum secretariat should manage the GFFFN and implement its activities in collaboration with relevant members of the CPF.⁵⁶
- *Encourages* the CPF and its member organizations: (a) to strengthen the Partnership by formalizing its working modalities, including through consideration of a multilateral memorandum of understanding, and by developing procedures for its effective functioning and operation; (b) to identify ways to stimulate broader participation by existing member organizations in its various activities; (c) to assess its membership and the potential added value of additional members with significant forest-related expertise; (d) to identify ways to actively involve major groups and other stakeholders in activities of the Partnership; (e) to develop a work plan, aligned with the UNSPF, to identify priorities for collective actions by all of the members of the CPF or subsets of members and the resource implications of such actions; (f) to prepare periodic reports on the CPF activities, achievements and resource allocations suitable for a wide range of audiences, including potential donors; (g) to further develop and expand its thematic joint initiatives, taking into account the strengths and focuses of the members of the CPF.⁵⁷

CITES

⁵² Paragraph 68 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁵³ Paragraph 70 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁵⁴ Paragraph 74 of Annex I to E/RES/2017/4

⁵⁵ Paragraph 16(b) of E/RES/2015/33

⁵⁶ Paragraph 17(b)(ii) of E/RES/2015/33

⁵⁷ Paragraph 22 of E/RES/2015/33

- The main contribution of CITES to the long-term conservation and sustainable use of the world's forests and forest genetic resources is through ensuring the proper implementation of the Convention for the plants listed in the Appendices, which total around 30,000 species. In the case of Appendix-II listed species, this entails ensuring that exports of specimens of such species are sustainable and regulated in order to maintain them throughout their range at a level that is consistent with their role in the ecosystems in which they occur.
- CITES provisions relevant to forests and forest genetic resources fall within five thematic categories: tree species, medicinal and aromatic plant species; ornamental plant species; crosscutting implementation; and cooperation matters.
- The following CITES provisions in effect after the 18th meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP18, Geneva 2019) are particularly relevant for CPF:
 - Resolutions Conf. 10.13 (Rev. CoP18) on the *Implementation of the Convention for tree species*, and 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on *Non-detriment findings*⁵⁸; and
 - Forest-relevant Decisions⁵⁹, of which are focused in strengthening the sustainability, legality and enforcement of the Convention for forestry species listed in the Appendices.
- In particular, the following Decisions might be of special interest for CPF in the development of its post-2020 Work plan:
 - 18.14 to 18.17 on the *Tree Species Programme*;
 - 18.307 to 18.308 on the *Production of a CITES Checklist for Dalbergia spp.*;
 - 18.79 on *Enforcement* (tree Task Force);
 - 18.188 to 18.93 to on *Wildlife crime enforcement support in West and Central Africa* (including African rosewood);
 - 18.94 to 18.99 on *Malagasy palisanders and rosewoods and ebonies*;
 - 18.140 to 18.143 and 16.58 (Rev. CoP18) on *Identification of timber and other wood products*;
 - 18.203 to 18.204 on *Agarwood producing taxa*;
 - 18.205 on *Boswellia trees*;
 - 18.234 to 18.237 on *Rosewood tree species* (and the development of non-detriment findings); and,
 - 18.300 to 18.303 on *Trade in medicinal and aromatic plant species*.
- On 20 December 2013, at its 68th session, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) proclaimed 3 March – the day of signature of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora ([CITES](#)) in 1973 – as UN World Wildlife Day to celebrate and raise awareness of the world's wild animals and plants.

The UNGA Resolution [68/205](#) also designated the CITES Secretariat as the facilitator for the global observance of this special day for wildlife on the UN calendar. WWD has now become the most important global annual event dedicated to wildlife.

GEF

On June 21, 2022, the GEF Council adopted the Programming Directions for the 8th GEF cycle (2022-2026)⁶⁰. These Programming Directions include several provisions to promote the Sustainable Management of Forests (SFM) in the GEF beneficiary countries. The GEF-8 strategy includes in particular a dedicated Program focused on the conservation of primary forest "Amazon, Congo, and Critical Forest Biomes Integrated Program". In addition, the new strategy offers other means to support SFM supporting a wide range of interventions in different types of forests through the Biodiversity, Climate Change and Land Degradation funding windows and through other forest-related Programs such as the Ecosystems Restoration, Wildlife Conservation for Development and Food Systems

⁵⁸ For full text available at: <https://www.cites.org/eng/res/index.php>

⁵⁹ Full text available at: <https://cites.org/sites/default/files/eng/dec/valid18/E18-Dec.pdf>.

⁶⁰ https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/2023-01/GEF-8_Programming_Directions.pdf

Integrated Programs. According to the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF, in total, the GEF has invested in GEF-7 \$943 million of grants in SFM-related projects and is expected to make at least a similar investment in GEF-8 to support the conservation and the sustainable management of forests worldwide.

CBD

Decision 14/30. Cooperation with other conventions, international organizations, and initiatives

35. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue to engage with the Collaborative Partnership on Forests on the further development of its work plan and joint initiatives to implement the United Nations strategic plan for forests 2017-2030 and the Global Forest Goals and their alignment with the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and to report to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its third meeting, and *encourages* member organizations of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests to further coordinate on biodiversity-relevant data and methodologies for the development of spatial assessments of opportunities to advance on biodiversity commitments through the work of the Global Forest Goals, REDD+, and the Global Partnership on Forest and Landscape Restoration, as appropriate, as well as alternative adaptation and mitigation approaches contributing to forest restoration.

36. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to provide further guidance on the type of support that may be available to Parties from members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests with regard to specific areas of implementation of the Convention, such as the Short- Term Action Plan on Ecosystem Restoration.

XIII/7. Forest biodiversity: the role of international organizations in supporting the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets⁶¹

5. Also invites the members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, in preparing the 2017-2030 work plan of the Partnership, to consider ways and means of further enhancing their individual and collective contributions to the Aichi Biodiversity Targets and support a coordinated approach to the achievement of the forest-related multilateral commitments and goals, such as the following:

(a) Sharing experiences and related information on the implementation of the forest-related Aichi Biodiversity Targets;

(b) Identifying actions by which they could provide useful support to countries, including for the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2011-2020 and the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, taking into account the different visions, approaches, models and tools to improve the integrated management of forests, including the development of technical capacity;

(c) Examining their respective roles in order to leverage the comparative advantages of each of the members and to further enhance their joint contributions;

(d) Improving monitoring of and reporting on progress, including the harmonization of indicators and reporting processes;

(e) Improving knowledge management, including through open data platforms and interoperability to facilitate the sharing and synthesis of information;

7. Requests the Executive Secretary to strengthen collaboration with the members of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, including the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests, (...), to fully

⁶¹ <https://www.cbd.int/doc/decisions/cop-13/cop-13-dec-07-en.pdf>

respond to the requests of the Conference of the Parties in paragraph 21 of decision XII/6, to support the implementation of the present decision, and to report on progress to the SBSTTA or the SBI, as appropriate, at a meeting prior to the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

XIII/3. Strategic actions to enhance the implementation of the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020 and the achievement of the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, including concerning mainstreaming and the integration of biodiversity within and across sectors

Notes the Voluntary Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests, the 2009 ITTO/IUCN guidelines for the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in tropical timber production forests, as organizations of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests to operationalize sustainable forest management, ensuring the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity;

ITTO

The governing body of the ITTO is the International Tropical Timber Council (ITTC), being the highest authority and decision-making power of the ITTO. Governing statutes and relevant documentation relating to ITTO's work in collaboration with the CPF may be accessed through the links below:

[International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006](#)

www.itto.int/council_committees/itta/

[ITTO Strategic Action Plan 2013-2018 \(extended to 2021\)](#)

www.itto.int/council_committees/action_plans/

[ITTO Biennial Work Programme for the Years 2021-2022](#)

www.itto.int/direct/topics/topics_pdf_download/topics_id=6621&no=1&disp=inline

[ITTO Guidelines](#)

www.itto.int/guidelines/

IUFRO

IUFRO's governing bodies include the International Council, comprised of one member and one alternate from each of the 115 countries in which there are one or more IUFRO member organizations, and the IUFRO Board, which is approved by the International Council for a 5-year term. IUFRO's Statutes and Internal Regulations guide the governance and functions of these and all other structures and activities of the Union. CPF activities are regularly reported on to the IUFRO Board and International Council.

IUFRO's post-2020 Strategy and associated Strategy Action Plan 2020-2024, which is updated periodically, focuses on three organizational Goals and related actions:

- *Goal 1: Research Excellence: Strive for Quality, Relevance and Synergies;*
- *Goal 2: Network Cooperation: Improve Communication and Embrace Diversity; and*
- *Goal 3: Impact: Visibility, Outreach and Education.*

IUFRO's membership and active involvement in the work of the CPF, including leadership of the CPF Joint Initiative Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP), directly supports IUFRO's mission and goals.

- CPF Joint Initiative Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP) is an example of how IUFRO strives to improve capacities for science cooperation, address emerging issues in a proactive manner, and increase collaboration with other scientific disciplines.
- As several CPF members are also member organizations of IUFRO, our collaboration with them supports the active participation of a diverse set of IUFRO's member organizations, officeholders and scientists across the globe, and cooperation among these participants.
- IUFRO has established itself as one of the leading knowledge institutions regularly providing scientific input and policy support to global processes regarding forests and society. IUFRO's

research network and activities, including work on the science-society/policy interface ensure that our partners and stakeholders will have access to best science-based solutions for complex challenges and issues facing the world's forests. IUFRO's involvement in the CPF directly supports our institutional Goal 3 towards improving visibility, outreach and education.

IUFRO post-2020 Strategy: <https://www.iufro.org/fileadmin/material/science/divisions/toolbox/iufro-strategy-2020-post.pdf>

Strategy	Action	Plan	2020-2024:
https://www.iufro.org/fileadmin/material/science/divisions/toolbox/iufro-strategy-action-plan-2020-2024.pdf			

ANNEX II: Priorities of the CPF work in 2024

At its meeting on 23 January 2024, member organizations of the CPF identified main priorities for the CPF work in 2024, and major events and conferences to which the CPF could participate and make contributions. These priorities, major events and conferences are as follows:

1. Main priorities

- Development of new CPF Joint Initiatives
- Implementation of the outcome of the midterm review of the International Arrangement on Forests related to the CPF
- Preparation of the CPF Work Plan for 2025-2028
- Participation and contribution to major events and conferences

2. Major events and conferences, and the CPF's role

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Description</i>
23 January	CPF meeting (virtual)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Election of 2024 CPF Vice-Chair - Preparations for UNFF19 - Priorities for 2024 - CPF Work Plan 2025-2028
21 March	2024 celebrations of the International Day of Forests (global)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Global celebrations under the theme “Forests and Innovation” - Support by CPF Communicators’ Network
28 March	CPF meeting (virtual)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussions on new and ongoing Joint Initiatives of the CPF - CPF engagement at UNFF19
6-10 May	UNFF19 session (New York)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Item 3(b) “Update on the activities of the CPF and its member organizations and progress in the implementation of its workplan” - Participation of CPF heads in the High-level Segment - Contributions to the discussions on the midterm review of the International Arrangement on Forests related to the CPF -
6-10 May	CPF and its members’ side events at UNFF19 (New York)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CPF High-level Event (9 May): Harmonizing efforts for forest action by 2030: Strengthening the Collaborative Partnership on Forests - India, Portugal, Republic of Korea, FAO and ITTO (6 May): Principles and Strategies for Landscape Integrated Fire Management through Collaborative Governance - ITTO and India (7 May): Mainstreaming Legal and Sustainable Supply Chains of Tropical Wood Products for Responsible Production and Consumption

Date	Event	Description
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IUCN, GEF, UNFFS (7 May): The Need to Strengthen the Conservation of Primary Forests through Partnership Enhancement and Coordination of Support: CPF Member Discussion - WB (8 May): World Bank Global Challenge Program for Forests for Development, Climate, and Biodiversity - FAO and UNEP (8 May): Sustainable Horizons: Showcasing Progress in the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration - IUFRO (10 May): International Forest Governance: A comprehensive global review
<i>6 May</i>	CPF meeting (New York)	- Discussions on new and assessment of ongoing Joint Initiatives of the CPF
<i>8-17 July</i>	2024 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (New York)	- tbc
<i>19 July</i>	COFO 27 High-Level Satellite Event	- Championing sustainable wood: Leading pathways to climate neutrality and resilience (FAO and IUFRO)
<i>22-26 July</i>	FAO COFO 27 (Rome)	- Seventh Wangari Maathai Award, award ceremony and communication campaign
<i>22-23 September</i>	Summit of the Future (New York)	- tbc
<i>21 October-1 November</i>	CBD COP16 (Cali)	- tbc
<i>11-22 November</i>	UNFCCC COP29 (Baku)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CPF high-level dialogue - tbc
<i>1-6 December</i>	ITTC-60 (Yokohama)	- tbc
<i>2-13 December</i>	UNCCD COP16 (Riyadh)	- tbc

ANNEX III: List of acronyms

ACTO	Amazonian cooperation treaty organization
ANAFE	African Network for Agriculture, Agroforestry and Natural Resources Education
AOAD	Arab Organization for Agricultural Development
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CFRQ	Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire
CFS	Committee on World Food Security
CIFOR	Center for International Forestry Research
COMIFAC	Central African Forests Commission
GCF	Green Climate Fund
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GF4SL	Green Finance for Sustainable Landscapes
GFEP	Global Forest Expert Panels
GFGS	Global Forest Goals
ICRAF	International Centre for Research in Agroforestry
IDF	International Day of Forests
IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development
IFSA	International Forestry Students' Association
ITTO	International Tropical Timber Organization
IUFRO	International Union of Forest Research Organizations
JI	Joint Initiative
JRC	Joint Research Centre (European Commission)
NDCS	Nationally Determined Contributions
OECMS	Other Effective area-based Conservation Measures
SFM	Sustainable Forest Management
SV 2030	Strategic Vision towards 2030
UN	United Nations
UNCCD	United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNEP	United Nations Environment Program
UNGA	United Nations General Assembly
WCS	Wildlife Conservation Society
WFP	World Food Program
WWF	Worldwide Fund for Nature