

2025 Retreat of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests

Summary report 22-23 January 2025 World Bank HQ, Washington, D.C.

#### In Attendance

CBD:	Jamal Annagylyjova	IUFRO:	John Parrotta	
CIFOR-ICRAF:	Anne Larson	UNDP:	Clea Paz	
CITES (Vice-Chair): Ivonne Higuero		UNEP:	Mirey Atallah (virtual)	
FAO (Chair):	Zhimin Wu	UNFCCC:	Dirk Nemitz (virtual)	
	Malgorzata Buszko-Briggs	UNFF (Secretariat): Juliette Biao		
	Katherine Clyne		Ryo Nakamura	
GEF:	Pascal Martinez	WB:	Genevieve Connors	
ITTO:	Sheam Satkuru		Tuukka Castren	
	Jennifer Conje			
IUCN:	Chetan Kumar	Moderator:	Karen Kaplan	
	Pragyan Raj Pokhrel			
	Katherine Poe	Regrets: GCF, UNCCD		

The Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) held its Retreat from 22 to 23 January 2025 at the WB Headquarters, Washington, D.C.<sup>1</sup>

## Welcome and opening remarks

Ms. Genevieve Connors, Host of the CPF Retreat, welcomed the CPF Members to the World Bank HQ. She highlighted the organization's renewed focus on the forest sector to achieve greater impact and outcomes. With the World Bank's mission now centered on eliminating poverty and ensuring a livable planet, forests play a critical role in freshwater services, biodiversity, agriculture, and food security. Climate Country Diagnostic Reports have assessed climate commitments and financing needs, revealing that forests are central to global climate and local development challenges. Given that 1.6 billion people live near forests, addressing poverty in these areas is essential. The Global Challenge Programme on Forests, one of six global initiatives, aims to enhance collaborative action and visibility, with the Bank seeking ways to maximize its impact.

Mr. Zhimin Wu, CPF Chair, Director of the Forestry Division, FAO, welcomed the CPF Members to the CPF Retreat. He emphasized the CPF as one of the strongest forest partnerships, dedicated to supporting Member States and the Forum. While the mandate and objectives are clear, the challenge lies in effectively achieving them. He highlighted the need to leverage the technical expertise of member organizations while acknowledging resource limitations that hinder impact on the ground.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Annex II for the programme of the 2025 CPF Retreat.

Ms. Ivonne Higuero, CPF Vice-Chair, Executive Secretary, CITES, emphasized the importance of collaboration in achieving shared objectives while respecting different mandates and activities. She highlighted the urgency of addressing planetary crises and stressed that success is only possible through collective efforts, where partnership creates greater impact than individual actions. She stressed immense potential in the CPF and called for commitment and engagement to sustain efforts through 2030.

Ms. Juliette Biao, CPF Secretariat/UNFF, emphasized the importance of the CPF as a key component of the International Arrangement on Forests. She highlighted the need for a strategic approach, given the fast-approaching 2030 deadline, and stressed the importance of positioning efforts effectively. While work plans are crucial, challenges such as geopolitical tensions, conflicts, and climate-induced disasters, including wildfires, threaten the achievement of SDGs and GFGs. She acknowledged the historic recognition of forests in the three Rio Conventions in 2024, and noted ECOSOC resolution 2024/15 calling for follow-up actions with clear timelines.

Following the opening, the CPF Chair introduced Ms. Karen Kaplan, the retreat facilitator. CPF Members undertook a facilitated roundtable exercise to discuss what CPF members saw as the main benefits of the CPF?. Members discussed that the CPF brings together diverse expertise across research, finance, trade, climate, and development, with forests as the common denominator. Despite varied backgrounds, members share a common commitment to delivering results, fostering complementarity, communication, and collaboration. CPF serves as a unique space where different forest communities connect, creating both challenges and opportunities. The partnership enhances the interface between science and policy, helping research organizations align their work with the needs of Member States and the UN System. Adaptability and personal dynamics play a crucial role, reinforcing CPF's role as a connector and amplifier of collective impact.

# Discussion on the CPF's joint response to ECOSOC resolution 2024/15 and its relevant provisions, CPF engagement in the governing bodies of the CPF member organizations

UNFF provided an overview of the status of the CPF's response to the CPF-related provisions contained in ECOSOC resolution 2024/15, including: the response to the letter from the UNFF20 Chair to the chairs of the governing bodies of CPF Members; the submission of written inputs for inclusion in the UNFF20 documentation with regard to the CPF's activities and their contributions to the UNFF20 thematic priorities; and the global core set of forest-related indicators. It was highlighted that while some tasks could be undertaken in the medium term, it is important to provide updates on the status of joint responses at the CPF briefing for UNFF Members before UNFF20. Furthermore, the Chair of the CPF highlighted the importance of CPF joint input to the UNFF20 relevant document, specifying the status of the implementation of the CPF-related provisions contained in ECOSOC resolution 2024/15. Members agreed that in the future the input to the UNFF sessions should be prepared jointly.

CPF Members held a discussion and highlighted the importance for the respective chairs of the governing bodies to respond to the letter from the UNFF20 Chair to mobilize support for and advance the work of the CPF, noting that each member has different organizational context, and timelines for response may differ from one organization to another. CPF Members also noted the importance to continue to advocate for forest issues being high on the agenda of the governing bodies through the interaction with them.

## Follow-up actions:

- CPF Members will follow up with the chairs of their respective governing bodies regarding the status of their response to the letter from the UNFF20 Chair; CPF secretariat will consolidate CPF Members' responses for the virtual CPF briefing for UNFF Members.
- CPF Chair, in consultation with the Vice-Chair and the Secretariat, will propose the date and time of the virtual CPF briefing for UNFF Members.

## Discussion on the draft CPF Work Plan 2025-28

The initial draft/thought-starter of the CPF Work Plan 2025-28 was presented by FAO on behalf of the Taskforce for the preparation of the CPF Work Plan 2025-28. CPF members appreciated the efforts made by the Task Force and exchanged their views and ideas to provide guidance for the further development of the work plan.

Some ideas discussed included issues that can be addressed in the current work plan, while some other ideas would require more strategic discussions: e.g. joint programming and joint resource mobilization. CPF members suggested further work on monitoring and assessment to clarify how the CPF actions and results contribute to the achievement of the Global Forest Goals (GFGs), which could be more aligned with the next report on GFGs; possible reorganization of the work plan around the GFGs and priorities of Member States; need to highlight and focus on the impacts and milestones of the CPF activities, including those related to the CPF's engagement in the Rio Conventions' COPs and other meetings of governing bodies;; development of the work plan in a shorter version of as a communication tool targeting donors and stakeholders; use of interactive online report; clarification of resource needs/gaps and a realistic approach to resource mobilization; mapping of complementarities between the CPF activities and other forest-related partnerships such as the Forest and Climate Leaders' Partnership; inclusion of country-level activities, if relevant; and possible inclusion of joint activities among a subset of CPF Members that are not currently branded as the CPF JIs such as UN-REDD.

In conclusion, CPF Members agreed to prepare a short version of the CPF Work Plan 2025-2028. It was agreed that the mandates of the individual members will be moved to the CPF web site. The Work Plan should include elements on: a list of priority actions and areas of focus for 2025-2028; key activities of the JIs; brief stock-taking of achievements building on/using the outcomes of the midterm review of the International Arrangement on Forests related to the CPF, including those of the CPF Organization-led Initiative; how to address emerging issues; and monitoring and reporting on CPF's contributions to the GFGs. Hyperlinks to the CPF website could be used for the full description of the JIs and the CPF-related decisions of the governing bodies to keep the work plan brief in length. The short version should include annual priorities and feature a designed layout, taking into account the need to assess progress of the CPF's work using a set of simple indicators, and resource needs for CPF activities.

## Follow-up actions:

- The CPF Taskforce on the preparation of the CPF Work Plan will prepare the first draft of the CPF Work
  Plan taking into account the discussions of the retreat by the end of February 2025 for circulation to CPF
  Members for feedback by the end of March 2025.
- The CPF Secretariat will prepare a template to collect information on the JIs for the 2025-28 period for inclusion in the CPF Work Plan 2025-28 and updating of the JI pages of the CPF website.
- Based on the CPF Work Plan 2025-2028, it is proposed that a designed short version could be prepared annually as a communication product to highlight annual priorities. It was also mentioned about possible revamping CPF visual identity which can be discussed by the CPF Communicators.

## Discussion on CPF's priority areas of actions and processes in 2025

Following the introduction of the agenda item by the CPF Chair, CPF Members discussed and exchanged their views on CPF's priority areas of actions and processes in 2025.

Members of the CPF held a discussion on priority areas of actions, taking into account the schedules of the forthcoming meetings of their governing bodies. Members noted the importance of joint messaging and statements at major events, as well as organization of the CPF events to increase the visibility of the CPF, particularly during UNFCCC COP30 in light of its expected focus on forests. It was suggested for the CPF Chair to deliver a joint statement of the CPF during the relevant plenary session of COP30.

UNFF informed that a series of the Country-led Initiatives (CLIs) would be held in 2025 and 2026, including the Saudi Arabia CLI on dryland forests, Morocco CLI on forest finance, community-based forest management and

technology, and Austria-IUFRO-FAO CLI/OLI on sustainable forest-based bioeconomy. It was added that the UNFF20 panel on drylands would provide an opportunity for relevant CPF Members to take part building on discussions on this matter during UNCCD COP16. It was reminded that CPF Members were asked to provide inputs for inclusion in the policy brief on the UNFF20 thematic priorities, i.e. Global Forest Goal 1, 3 and 5, in preparation for UNFF20. It was agreed that FAO would take the lead in providing inputs to the policy brief, in collaboration with relevant CPF member organizations.

CBD shared that CBD SBSTTA (2<sup>nd</sup> half of October) will consider updating of the CBD forest biodiversity programme of work, and this updating exercise would provide an opportunity for the CPF to provide joint inputs and messaging towards COP17.

UNFF informed that initial preparations for the Forest Pavilion at COP30 are underway in consultation with Brazil as a co-chair of the Organizing Committee of the pavilion. UNFF added that the CPF Chair would be invited to be part of the Organizing Committee. CPF Members noted that the Forest Pavilion at COP30 would provide opportunities to communicate key messages on forests as climate solutions, forest-based bioeconomy, biodiversity, livelihoods and finance, among others, to Member States and a wider public. The CPF Chair encouraged CPF Members to substantively and financially contribute to the pavilion.

Other main points discussed included: preparation of topline messages through the CPF Communicators' Network for the celebration of the 2025 International Day of Forests; importance to engage youth, regional/subregional partners, Indigenous Peoples, local communities, CSOs in the activities of the JIs. ITTO added that the new JI on the Integrated Fire Management would focus on tropical forests as its main area to avoid overlaps with the Global Fire Management Hub.

CPF Members also discussed plans for joint activities at other meetings of their respective governing bodies in 2025, including: 78th meeting of the CITES Standing Committee (3-8 February, Geneva, Switzerland); High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (14-23 July, UNHQ, New York); IUCN Congress (9-15 October, Abu Dhabi, UAE); ITTC-61 (20-24 October, Panama); CITES CoP20 (24 November-5 December, Uzbekistan); UNEA-7 (8-12 December, UNEP HQ, Nairobi).

## Follow-up actions:

- CPF Members are asked to propose possible CPF joint activities which could be undertaken during the meetings of their governing bodies, where appropriate, to raise the profile of the work of the CPF. These proposed joint activities would be included in the annual CPF work plan for 2025.
- UNFF will provide updates on the status of preparations for the Forest Pavilion at COP30 as they become available, and will invite the CPF Chair to be part of the Organizing Committee. CPF Members are encouraged to contribute to the planning and organization of the Forest Pavilion events.
- Lead members of the CPF JIs will add brief plans for 2025 for inclusion in the annual CPF work plan for 2025.
- FAO will take the lead in providing inputs to the policy brief on GFG 1, 3, 5, in collaboration with relevant CPF member organizations.

## Discussion on joint resource mobilization

Following the introduction of the agenda item by the CPF Chair, CPF Members discussed and exchanged their views on options and the next steps to mobilize resources to enable the CPF joint activities in response to ECOSOC resolution 2024/15 and other relevant mandates.

Members highlighted the need for a proactive approach in mapping countries' priorities and aligning efforts with them. Members underlined the importance of enhancing CPF's visibility and work with the governing bodies to facilitate their allocation of resources clearly linked to objectives and targets of the CPF Members. In this regard,

Members noted the importance of considering branding joint activities among a subset of CPF Members such as the WB-ICRAF work in Africa and UN-REDD as part of the CPF activities. It was suggested to use the CPF more effectively as a coordination and communication platform, and design joint activities and projects/programmes in response to country priorities, including through GEF-9 and other multilateral funding mechanisms in support of countries to achieve the GFGs. It was reminded that non-UN members of the CPF were encouraged by ECOSOC to engage with the private sector and the philanthropies for possible financial support of the CPF joint activities.

Other main points discussed included: strategic positioning and value proposition through defining CPF's comparative advantage and relationship with other partnerships; focus on branding CPF activities to increase visibility and funding opportunities; the need to explore innovative ways for resource mobilization; joint project proposals where CPF Members can actively contribute; improvement of coordination in GEF-funded projects to enhance CPF's role at the country level; work as a consortium with donors and partners; communication of the CPF's value at the global and country levels for both donors and forest countries; facilitation of coordination at the country level to improve impact and reduce competition among agencies; enhancing strategic linkage with UN-REDD and other funding sources; and improvement of internal coordination to facilitate CPF joint initiatives.

#### Follow-up actions:

- CPF Members will continue to work on joint programming.
- CPF Members are asked to propose new joint activities in the context of the preparation of the CPF Work Plan 2025-28, and explore funding opportunities.

## Discussion on options for advancing a coherent and effective CPF engagement in the Conference of the Parties of the three Rio Conventions, including a plan for the effective and impactful engagement of CPF in COP30

CPF Members discussed options for the CPF's engagement in the Conference of the Parties of the three Rio Conventions. It was suggested to explore better coordination on key messages on forests for UNFCCC COP30, and the Rio Conventions' COPs in 2026 and 2028, building on the experiences of the CPF joint activities at COPs in 2024. In this regard, it was proposed to develop a joint communication strategy with consistent messaging across the three COPs in 2026 and 2028.

It was suggested to consider organizing a CPF side event at CBD SBSTTA on the updating of the forest programme and a larger event and/or forest day at COP17 with a focus on joint messaging. Potential to align efforts with CITES COP was also discussed.

In preparation for the Forest Pavilion, UNFF will coordinate with Brazil and work through the Organizing Committee of the Forest Pavilion with the participation of the CPF Chair and UNFCCC. CPF Members will consider voluntary financial and in-kind contributions to the Forest Pavilion.

## Follow-up actions:

- CPF Members will prepare joint key messages on forests for UNFCCC COP30.
- CPF Members will coordinate to develop joint communication materials with consistent messaging on forests across the three Rio Conventions' COPs in 2026 and 2028.
- UNFF will provide updates on the status of preparations for the Forest Pavilion at COP30 as they become available. CPF Members are encouraged to contribute to the planning and organization of the Forest Pavilion events.

## Presentations of the World Bank' programmes on forests

During the lunchtime of the retreat, the WB representatives made presentations on the Bank's programmes on forests and exchanged views with CPF Members to explore potential partnerships. These presentations included: Global Challenge Program on Forest for Development, Climate and Biodiversity by Mr. Klas Sander; and PROGREEN- Global Partnership for Sustainable and Resilient Landscapes by Ms. April Connelly. These presentations and interactive discussions were highly appreciated by all CPF participants.

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Following the conclusion of the 2025 CPF Retreat on 23 January, Members of the CPF met to consider the CPF Annual Workplan for 2025 for adoption and elect the CPF Vice-Chair for 2025.

## Item 1. Adoption of the CPF Annual Workplan for 2025

Based on the draft presented and discussed during the CPF Retreat, the CPF Chair proposed to continue to work to finalize the CPF Annual Workplan for 2025<sup>2</sup>. CPF Members provisionally adopted the CPF Annual Workplan for 2025, subject to its finalization.

#### Key actions to be taken:

• CPF Members are asked to review the draft Annual CPF Work Plan for 2025 and provide inputs for its finalization.

## Item 2. Election of the CPF Vice-Chair for 2025

The CPF Chair thanked Ms. Ivonne Higuero, Secretary General of CITES, for her Vice-Chairpersonship in 2024. Mr. Daniele Violetti, Senior Director for Programmes Coordination, UNFCCC Secretariat, was elected by acclamation as the CPF Vice-Chair for 2025.

#### Key actions to be taken:

 Mr. Daniele Violetti, Senior Director for Programmes Coordination, UNFCCC Secretariat, assumed the CPF Vice-Chairpersonship for 2025.

## Item 3. Date and venue of the next CPF meeting

The CPF Chair proposed to hold the next CPF meeting during UNFF20 (5-9 May 2025, UNHQ, New York).

## Key actions to be taken:

 The CPF Chair in consultation with the Vice-Chair and the Secretariat will confirm the date, time, and location of the next CPF meeting during UNFF20.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Annex I.



Annex I. Annual CPF Work Plan for 2025

## Annual CPF Work Plan for 2025

At the CPF Retreat and CPF Members' Meeting between 22-23 January 2025, member organizations discussed the CPF work plan for 2025 which contains the following major components:

## 1. Joint messaging

- a) Joint messaging and action on priority areas to further highlight the significance of forests and influence global forest-related negotiations, including through advancing a coherent and effective CPF engagement in the Conference of the Parties of the Rio Conventions and other relevant Conventions and governing bodies of CPF members
- b) Joint response to ECOSOC resolution 2024/15 related to the CPF, including preparation of the CPF Work Plan for 2025-2028 and its presentation at UNFF20, resuming the work of the CPF on the Global Core Set of forest related indicators, effective engagement of relevant CPF members in the preparation of 2026 GFG Report, and follow up on the invitation to the CPF governing bodies to strengthen collaboration and support to the work of the CPF and integrate the UNSPF and the GFGs into the plans and operational programmes of work of the CPF members, including how their strategic visions and goals align with the UNSPF and the GFGs
- c) Preparation of joint messaging at the COPs and other CPF member governing body meetings to raise visibility of CPF contributions to achieving their goals and/or implementing activities that support the conventions/entities

## 2. Joint activities at major events and conferences

CPF will undertake joint activities at major events and conferences in 2025. These joint activities include preparation and delivery of the CPF joint statements, and organization of side events. Information on specific activities is contained in the annex to this document.

## 3. Joint Initiatives (lead members to review and add brief plans for 2025)

- a) Forest education (Lead: FAO) [to be added]
- b) Forest Finance Facilitation / GFFFN (Lead: UNFF)
  - Support countries to develop national financing strategies and build their capacities to access to finances
  - Regular data/information sharing by CPF member for the established CH databases.
  - Sharing information and knowledge on forest financing with members and stakeholders of the UNFF through the Clearing House webinars series.
  - Initiating discussion on further strengthening of the clearing house to include data, information and knowledge on forest financing.
- c) Global Forest Expert Panel (Lead: IUFRO)
  - Finalisation of the GFEP assessment Forests for Social and Economic Resilience (planned publication: June 2025) and outreach.



- d) Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the Global Forest Goals harnessing complementarities and addressing fragmentation in the global forest agenda (Lead: CBD, FAO, UNFF)
  - Reviewing and analyzing forest-related commitments, including NBSAPs, national voluntary contributions to forests, and other forest-related policies. Development of the policy brief summarizing analysis and providing recommendations for synergies at national and global levels, including forest-related commitments, financing, implementation and reporting. Organizing side event at UNFF20
- e) Streamlining global forest-related reporting (Lead: FAO and UNFF)
  - [to be added]
- f) Strengthening the conservation of primary forests through enhanced partnerships and coordination of support (Lead: IUCN, FAO, GEF and UNFF)
  - Global Profile and Policy Integration
  - Financing Pathways Promotion
  - Awareness and Advocacy
  - Capacity Building and Monitoring
  - Knowledge Sharing and Visibility
- g) Sustainable Wood for a Sustainable World (Lead: FAO and ITTO, CIFOR-ICRAF, IUFRO)
  - [to be added]
- h) Turning the tide on deforestation (Lead: FAO, UNDP, UNEP)
  - [to be added]
- i) Wangari Maathai Forest Champion Award (Lead: FAO)
  - [to be added]
- j) Forests for Food Security and Nutrition (Lead: FAO, Contributing: CIFOR-ICRAF)
  - [to be added]
- k) Integrated Fire Management in Tropical Forests (Lead: ITTO; Contributing: CIFOR-ICRAF)
  - Start development of Tropical Fire Management Toolkit by ITTO; Verification meeting on the Toolkit (tentatively Summer 2025). Development by RECOFTC of their Community Based Fire Management Guidelines (CBFiM) and planned trainings. RECOFTC hosted Southeast Asia Fire Dialogue (May 2025). Active participation by JI partners in the FAO hosted Fire Hub Plenary (June 10-12), including exploring the potential to develop a subgroup focused on the tropics under the Fire Hub structure. Seek other partners and collaborators on the JI.

Other joint activities:

- Task Force on the development of the CPF Work Plan 2024-2028
- Participation and contributions to the steering committee of the Austria CLI

Other potential areas of activities:



- Collaboration with regional and subregional partners, major groups, youth, the private sector, philanthropies and other stakeholders, including through the development, implementation and reporting of the JIs
- Mapping of the synergies between the GFGs and agreed targets of the Rio Conventions and other relevant Conventions and governing bodies of CPF members
- CPF joint response to emerging issues
- CPF's contributions to review of the GFGs in 2026

List of CPF joint activities at major events and conferences in 2025 (CPF members to review and add inputs and suggestions)

- a) CPF Retreat (22-23 January, WB HQ, Washington DC)
   Strategic discussions on translating mandates into action, work planning, joint priority setting, and enhanced outreach and engagement among CPF members
- b) 78th meeting of the CITES Standing Committee (3-8 February, Geneva, Switzerland)

CPF joint statement, and side event on CITES and forests (CITES, IUCN, CBD, UNEP, ITTO, FAO, IUFRO, WB)

- c) Capacity building workshop on reporting to UNFF (18-20 March, Nairobi) Guidance for preparation and compilation of national reports on the progress towards the implementation of the UNSPF and the GFGs, briefing on the status of the next GFG report, FRA 2025, GCS of forest indicators
- d) International Day of Forests (21 March, worldwide) (move to a separate section and add links to CPF members' events and products)
   Organization of events and communication activities on "Forests and Foods" by CPF members
- e) CPF Briefing to UNFF Member States (15 April, virtual)
   Update on the status of CPF's response to ECOSOC resolution 2024/15, including the status of preparation of the CPF Work Plan for 2025-28
- f) UNFF20 (5-9 May, UNHQ, New York) Participation in the UNFF20 panels on "valuing forest ecosystem services and means of implementation", "data related to forest finance", and "dryland forests"; delivery of the CPF statement, including the presentation of the CPF Work Plan 2025-28; contribution to discussions on the UNFF20 thematic priorities, including through providing inputs to the policy brief
- g) UNFCCC SBSTA 62 (June 2025, Bonn) Side event, Joint messaging
- h) High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (14-23 July, UNHQ, New York) Coordination and communication on key messages to HLPF on forest interlinkages to the SDG3, 5, 8, 14, and 17



- i) IUCN Congress (9-15 October, Abu Dhabi, UAE) Side event(s)
- j) CBD SBSTTA (2<sup>nd</sup> half of October, Thailand) Joint inputs to the updating of the forest programme of work, CPF joint statement/messaging towards COP17
- k) ITTC-61 (20-24 October, Panama)
- UNFCCC COP30 (10-21 November, Belém, Brazil)
   Coordination and communication on key messages to COP30 on forests and climate, planning and organization of CPF events at the Forest Pavilion, joint CPF statement
- m) CITES CoP20 (24 November-5 December, Uzbekistan)
   CPF joint statement, and side event on CITES and forests, event on the CITES tree species project (CPF JI)
- n) UNEA-7 (8-12 December, UNEP HQ, Nairobi)

## Annex II. Programme of the CPF Retreat

Time	Day 1 – Wednesday, 22 Jan	Day 2 – Thursday, 23 Jan		Follow-up Day – Friday, 24 Jan (Optional)
	Welcome Opening remarks by:	Recap of day 1.		Dedicated sessions on specific joint initiatives to align strategies and work planning 2025-28 (to be organized by the
9:00- 10:30 (1.5h)	CPF Chair CPF Vice-Chair Director of UNFFS	Discussion on options for advancing a coherent and effective CPF engagement in the Conference of the Parties of the three Rio Conventions		
	Discussion on the CPF's joint response to ECOSOC resolution 2024/15 and its relevant provisions (overview).	Devising a plan for the effective and impactful engagement of CPF in COP30.		
(0.5h)	Morning break (0.5h)	Morning break (0.5h)		
11:00-	Discussion on the draft CPF Work Plan 2025-28.	CPF engagement in the governing bodies of the CPF member organizations Brainstorming on CPF's contribution to achieving GFGs in the context of the upcoming review process of the 2030 Agenda, which will begin in 2026		
12:30				
(1.5h)	Lunch break (1.5h) Including update on World Bank forest programmes (topic tbc, 0.5 h)	Lunch break (1.5h) Including update on World Bank forest programmes (topic tbc, 0.5 h)		
14:00- 15:30 (1.5h)	Discussion on CPF's priority areas of actions and processes in 2025-26	Breakout group 1: (strategic topics which require more time for discussions to agree on the outcome of the retreat, tbc)	Breakout group 2: (strategic topics which require more time for discussions to agree on the outcome of the retreat, tbc)	JI lead organization); or for bilateral meetings.
(0.5h)	Afternoon break (0.5h)	Afternoon break (0.5h)		
16:00- 17:30	Discussions – continued on the CPF Work Plan 2025-28 and CPF's priority areas of actions and processes in 2025-26.	Summary and closing of the retreat (0.5h)		
(1.5h)	Discussion on joint resource mobilization. Summary and take-aways from the day.	<b>CPF Members meeting (up to 1h)</b> on adoption of CPF Annual Workplan 2025 and election of CPF Vice Chair for 2025		
19:30	Social dinner	Reception hosted by IUCN (time, location tbc)		