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SIDE EVENT

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**Ethiopia Room (C-285)
08:30 - 10:00**

Forest and Landscape Restoration
regional initiatives: toward the
regionalization of the
Bonn Challenge

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BACKGROUND

Several regional and sub-regional initiatives on Forest and Landscape Restoration (FLR) are being held in Latin America, Africa, Asia-Pacific and the Mediterranean. These initiatives will contribute to the achievement of the Bonn Challenge that aims at restoring 150 million hectares of forests by 2020.

The initiatives help to implement national FLR efforts at the most relevant scale through: (i) collaboration between countries with the same ecosystems and/or FLR issues, (ii) knowledge-sharing on good practices, monitoring tools and guidelines and (iii) pooling of both human and financial resources by building relevant alliances between technical and/or financial partners.

This side event will allow members of these regional initiatives to understand the diversity of existing dynamics in the various regions and to build on current success stories in Latin America, Africa, Asia-Pacific and the Mediterranean.

AGENDA

08:00 Welcome coffee

08:30 Opening session

Welcome address by the Chair, Peter Besseau, Global Partnership on Forest and Landscape Restoration (GPFLR)

08:40 Four regional initiatives on Forest and Landscape Restoration

African Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative (AFR 100) and Initiative 20 x 20, Charles Barber, World Resource Institute (WRI)

Asia-Pacific dynamic on Forest and Landscape Restoration, Patrick Durst, FAO

Mediterranean dynamic on Forest and Landscape Restoration, Ismail Belen, Silva Mediterranea

Four open clarification questions from participants to keynote speakers on various regional dynamics, short discussion moderated by Peter Besseau, GPFLR

09:25 Panel discussion: country perspectives on the four regional initiatives on FLR

Perspective from Kenya on its national pledges in the context of the AFR 100, Emilio Mugo, Kenya Forest Service

Perspective from Peru on its national pledges in the context of Initiative 20 x 20, Fabiola Muñoz, SERFOR

Perspective from Philippines on the recent regional dynamic in the Asia-Pacific, Ricardo L. Calderon Forest Management Bureau, Philippines

Perspective from Lebanon on the regional dynamic of FLR in the Mediterranean, Chadi Mohanna, Ministry of Agriculture, Lebanon

Perspective from World Bank on FLR regional initiatives, Paola Agostini, World Bank

Synthesis of the discussion by FAO, FO – ADG or his representative

09:50 Signing Ceremony for the Memorandum of Understanding between FAO and the International Model Forest Network

Simultaneous interpretation in English, French and Spanish



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