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Report of the Sub-regional workshop of Latin America and Caribbean

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Background

FAO is conducting a series of regional and sub-regional workshops as part of the preparatory work for the country reporting process to the Global Forest Resources Assessment 2020 (FRA 2020). The workshops respond to requests made by National Correspondents to increase FAO's support for capacity building in forest resources assessment.

Objectives of the workshop

The objective of the workshop was to provide National Correspondents with technical support for the finalization of the FRA 2020 Country Reports, due in October 2018. The workshop aimed also to provide an opportunity to assess the status of the compilation of the Country Reports and review data and information already entered in the Platform. This will ensure that data and information provided is as complete, consistent and transparent as possible and improve the quality and reliability of the FRA 2020 estimates.

Summary

The workshop was organized with the support of the FAO sub-regional office and was held at the premises of the United Nations House. In total eighteen people participated in the workshop, among which sixteen National Correspondents and/or Alternates and FAO staff (list of participants in Annex 2).

Outcomes of the workshop

- Technical assistance provided for the use of the on-line reporting and review platform and the compilation of the FRA 2020 country reports and the CFRQ questionnaire;
- Outstanding issues that National Correspondents faced in the compilation of the country reports and the CFRQ questionnaires identified and addressed;
- A learning platform for National Correspondents to interact and share experience on forest related reporting was provided;
- Countries were informed about the FRA Remote Sensing Survey and FRA Geospatial tools.

Structure of the workshop

Ms Lystra M. Fletcher-Paul, Sub-regional Coordinator for the Caribbean, a.i., FAO welcomed the participants on behalf of FAO and Mr Claus-Martin Eckelmann, Regional Forestry Officer for the Caribbean opened the workshop. Mr Örjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer FRA presented

the FRA 2020 country reporting process and milestones and introduced the workshop objectives.

Countries were then invited to make a brief presentation on the status of their country report, highlighting any problems they have encountered and issues which should be addressed during the workshop.

The country presentations were followed by a technical session – Work on FRA reporting using the on-line platform. During the technical session all FRA tables were reviewed in detail and time was allocated for clarifications and discussions related to preparing the FRA 2020 country reports and the use of the on-line platform.

Annex 1: Agenda

Agenda

Monday 20 August 2018	
<i>Arrival of participants</i>	
Tuesday 21 August 2018	
08:45 – 09:00	<i>Registration of participants</i>
09:00 - 09:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening of the workshop - <i>Mr Claus-Martin Eckelmann, Regional Forestry Officer for the Caribbean, FAO</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Welcome remarks - <i>Ms Lystra M. Fletcher-Paul, Sub regional Coordinator for the Caribbean, a.i., FAO – SLC</i> o Round table introduction of participants o Group photo
09:30 - 09:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. FRA 2020: setting the scene and organization of work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The FRA 2020 country reporting process - <i>Mr Örjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer, FAO</i> o Workshop objectives and logistical information - <i>Ms Monica Garzuglia, Forestry Officer, FAO</i> o Questions and clarifications
09:45 - 10:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Country presentations: National Correspondents will briefly present (max 10 min) the status of their country report, highlighting any problems encountered and issues to be addressed during the workshop
<i>10:45 - 11:00</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 - 13:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Technical session - Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform
<i>13:00 - 14:00</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 - 15:15	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>15:15 - 15:30</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:30 – 16:30	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>18:00</i>	<i>Dinner hosted by FAO</i>
Wednesday 22 August 2018	
08:30 - 10:30	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>10:30 - 10:45</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 - 13:00	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>13:00 - 14:00</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 - 15:15	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>15:15 - 15:30</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:30 - 16:30	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
Thursday 23 August 2018	
08:30 - 10:30	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>10:30 - 10:45</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 – 13:00	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>13:00 - 14:00</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 - 15:00	Work on FRA 2020 reporting using the on-line platform (continue)
<i>15:00 - 15:15</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:10 - 16:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Summary of outcome and next steps for the FRA reporting - <i>Mr Örjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer, FAO</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Workshop evaluation

Friday 24 August 2018	
08:15 – 09:30	1. FRA 2020 Remote sensing survey 2020: setting the scene and organization of work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <i>Scope and Methodology of the workshop - Mr Adolfo Kindgard, Remote Sensing Officer, FAO</i>
09:30 – 10:30	2. FRA Remote sensing survey 2020 methodological framework
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:45 – 12:30	3. Setting tools: Collect Earth, E-learning Modules, FRA-QUEST and training exercise
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 15:30	4. E-learning module 1. Physics of remote sensing, theory
15:30 – 15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45 – 17:00	5. E-learning module 1. Physics of remote sensing. Applied exercise
Saturday 25 August 2018	
09:30 – 12:30	<i>Field trip</i>
Sunday 26 August 2018	
<i>No activities</i>	
Monday 27 August 2018	
09:00 – 9:30	6. Review E-learning module 1
09:30 – 10:30	7. E-learning module 2. Theory of photointerpretation. Exercise
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:30	8. E-learning module 3. Regional landscape analysis
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 15:30	9. E-learning module 3. Regional landscape analysis
15:30 – 15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45 – 17:30	10. Problematic interpretations
Tuesday 28 August 2018	
09:00 – 12:30	11. Starting the data collection. National expert will start data collection of their own countries
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 17:00	Continue data collection by photointerpretation
Wednesday 29 August 2018	
09:00 – 12:30	Continue data collection by photointerpretation
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 17:30	o Continue data collection by photointerpretation
Thursday 30 August 2018	
08:00 – 12:30	12. Implementation RSS2020 methodology at national level. Sampling intensification and CE project customization
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 16:00	13. Summarizing results obtained during the work shop. Accuracy assessment of the data. Next steps

Annex 2: List of participants

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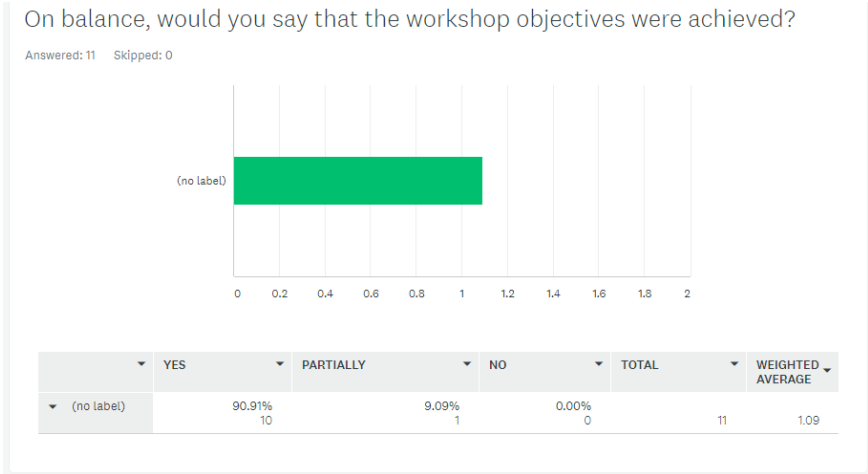
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Annex 3: Workshop evaluation

According to the workshop evaluation all participants rated the workshop to be very good or good (figure 1)



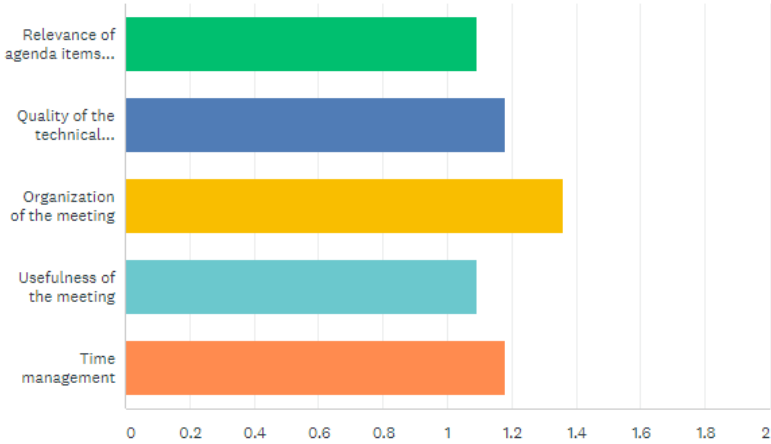
Most participants thought that the workshop objectives were achieved (figure 2)



Overall the organization and programme (figure 3) and Logistics (figure 4) were rated very good or good.

Organization and programme

Answered: 11 Skipped: 0



	VERY GOOD	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Relevance of agenda items to the objectives of the workshop	90.91% 10	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	11	1.09
Quality of the technical sessions	81.82% 9	18.18% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	11	1.18
Organization of the meeting	63.64% 7	36.36% 4	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	11	1.36
Usefulness of the meeting	90.91% 10	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	11	1.09
Time management	81.82% 9	18.18% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	11	1.18