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## Report of the Sub-regional workshop for East and South-East Asia

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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 jointly organized by FAO and the Forestry Agency, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan. The workshop was held at the premises of the Akasaka Intercity Conference center in Tokyo, from 25 to 29 June 2018. In total twenty-seven people participated in the workshop, among which seventeen National Correspondents and/or Alternates together with representatives from the Forestry Agency of Japan, JICA, FFPRI 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

Mr Hiroshi Orita, Director General of Private Forest Department, Forestry Agency of Japan officially welcomed the participants and gave the welcome remarks. Mr Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Officer, FAO thanked the participants for attending the workshop and presented the opening address. Mr Anssi Pekkarinen presented the FRA 2020 country reporting process and milestones. Mr Örjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer FRA presented the workshop objectives and expected outputs.

Countries were 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.

Later in the week the colleagues from the Forestry Agency of Japan, Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute (FFPRI) and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) provided the participants with insights to Japan's experiences in national forest monitoring both domestically and in international context. In addition, one day of the workshop was dedicated to a field trip to Yamanashi Prefecture to familiarize the participants with local forest resources and their management. The participants visited also Fujisan World Heritage Center and a planted forest site in Narusawa village.

Finally, during the last day of the meeting, the FAO informed the participants about the Remote Sensing components of the FRA 2020 as well as the Global Forest Survey project.

The FRA Secretariat is grateful to the Forestry Agency of Japan for their generous financial and excellent technical and logistical support in organizing the workshop.

## Annex 1: Agenda

<b>Monday 25 June 2018</b>	
<b>08:30</b>	<b>Registration of participants</b>
09:00 – 10:00	<b>1. Opening of the workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Welcome remarks</b> - Mr Hiroshi Orita, Director General of Private Forest Department, Forestry Agency of Japan</li> <li>○ <b>Opening address</b> - Mr Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO</li> </ul>
	<b>2. Group photo</b>
	<b>3. FRA 2020: setting the scene</b> - Mr Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The FRA 2020 country reporting process</li> </ul> <b>4. Organization of work</b> - Mr Orjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer, FAO and Ms Yukiko Sawa, Section Chief, Forestry Agency of Japan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Presentation of workshop objectives and expected outputs</li> <li>○ Logistical information</li> <li>○ Questions and clarifications</li> </ul>
10:00 – 10:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:20 – 13:00	<b>5. Country presentations</b> - Mr Orjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer, FAO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ National Correspondents will make brief presentations (Max 5 min) of the status of the country report highlighting any problems they have encountered and identify issues needed to be addressed during the workshop.</li> </ul>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:30	<b>6. Technical session - Work on FRA reporting using the on-line platform</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mr Orjan Jonsson, Forestry Officer, FAO               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ During the technical session all FRA tables will be reviewed in detail. Time will be dedicated to questions, clarifications and discussions on matters related to preparing the FRA 2020 country reports and the use of the FRA platform. <u>National Correspondents are expected to bring their own Laptop and any material/data needed to prepare their country reports.</u></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
15:30 – 15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45 – 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work on FRA reporting using the on-line platform (continue)</li> </ul>
19:00	<i>Welcome cocktail</i> Hosted by the Forestry Agency of Japan
<b>Tuesday 26 June 2018</b>	
09:00 – 13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work on FRA platform (continue)</li> </ul>
10:00 – 10:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work on FRA reporting using the on-line platform (continue)</li> </ul>
15:45 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00 – 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Work on FRA reporting using the on-line platform (continue)</li> </ul>

<b>Wednesday 27 June 2018</b>	
09:00 – 13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work on FRA reporting using the on-line platform (continue)</li> </ul>
10:00 – 10:20	<i>Coffee break</i>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:45	<p><b>Presentation of Japan’s experiences in national forest monitoring undertaken both domestically and internationally</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Nobuyuki Muto, Deputy Director, Forestry Agency of Japan</li> <li>- Dr Gen Takao, Director, Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute (FFPRI)</li> <li>- Mr Takahiro Morita, Senior Deputy Director General, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)</li> </ul>
15:45 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00 – 17:00	Presentation of Japan's experiences in national forest monitoring undertaken both domestically and internationally (continue)
<b>Thursday 28 June 2018</b>	
08:00 – 17:00	<p><b>Field trip - Forestry Agency of Japan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit forest sites etc. in Yamanashi prefecture, Japan</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 29 June 2018</b>	
09:00 – 10:00	<b>1. FRA 2020 Remote sensing</b> - Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO
10:00 – 10:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:30 – 11:00	<p><b>2. FRA 2020 next steps</b> - Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO</p> <p><b>3. Concluding discussion</b> - Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Summary of outcome and findings of the workshop</li> <li>○ Workshop evaluation</li> </ul>
11:00	<p><b>Closure of the workshop</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Makoto Ozawa, Senior Policy Analyst for International Affairs, Forestry Agency of Japan</li> <li>- Mr Anssi Pekkarinen, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO</li> </ul>



## Annex 2: List of participants

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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.

