



# Forest Governance Forum (FGF)

30-31 OCTOBER, 2018 LEDGER HOTEL, BRAZZAVILLE REPUBLIC OF CONGO

## DAY 1: TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER, 2018

**08:00-09:00** Arrival and Registration *Tea and coffee will be served*

**09:00-09:45** Opening Ceremony

*Master of Ceremony: Mr Gayldas Mayela*

- Address by Representative of CAGDF
- Address by Representative of the University of Wolverhampton - Prof Rachel Slater
- Address by Representative of COMIFAC - ITSOUA MADZOUS GERVAIS LUDOVIC
- Opening address by the Head of the EU Delegation
- Opening address by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Congo

**09:45-10:15** Break *Group Photo & Tea and coffee will be served*

**10:15-10:25** Overview of the 2-day programme

*Facilitator: Prof Donatien NZALA*

**10:25-11:45** First Session: An Overview of the State of Forest Governance in the Region and beyond – COMIFAC

*Chair: Dany Pokem*

- The State of Forest Governance in the region - COMIFAC Convergence Plan implementation - ASSEMBE MVONDO SAMUEL
- Review of the Cameroon VPA – lessons learnt and what to expect? -AMENDE Daniel, Sub-Director MINFOF Cameroon
- FLEGT VPA process in RoC – FLEGT Focal Point/Director of Forestry, MEF
- An update on FLEGT VPA process in Ivory Coast - Sylla Cheick Tidiane
- Q+A Session (30mins)

## **11:50-13:00 Second Session: VPA and TLAS Implementation - CIDT**

*Chair: Aline Fabing – FLEGT Facilitator*

- Implementation of the Indonesia SVLK so far – Progress and lessons learnt , Rufi'ie Abdullah, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia
- An update on the Republic of Congo TLAS - Alain Ossebi, CLFT, Republic of Congo
- The role of civil society in VPA Implementation – Case Study of Indonesia Civil Society IFM, Mardi Minangsari, JPIK, Indonesia
- Towards harmonisation of independent forest monitoring practices by civil society in the Congo Basin, experience from the SNOIE IFM model in Cameroon - Justin KAMGA KAMGA, FODER Cameroon
- Q+A 30mins

## **13:00- 14:00 Lunch and Networking**

## **14:00-15:20 Third Session: Promoting Transparency and Public Procurement Policies - FLAG**

*Chair: Sarah Fumey – EU FAO FLEGT Programme*

- The State of IFM in the Congo Basin Report - Serge Moukouri & François Hiol Hiol
- The State of Transparency in the Congo Basin Report- Arialle Arialle Tapoko, CED Cameroon
- Assessing the transparency of forest enterprises and Palm oil - Chris Eves, Zoological Society of London
- Public procurement policies of timber products in central Africa - Richard Eba'a Atyi, CIFOR
- Open Timber Portal – Marie Vallee, WRI
- Q+A 30mins

## **15:20-15:50 Break *Tea and coffee will be served***

## **15:50-17:30 Fourth Session: Panel on Regional Legal Frameworks and Reform Processes - ClientEarth**

*Chair: Tanja Venisnik*

- Dynamics of forest and land law reforms in COMIFAC countries: Causes and methods - Dr Samuel Assembe-Mvondo, Expert in Forest Governance, COMIFAC
- Forest Policy Development Process and Related Legal Reforms in Ivory Coast: Stakeholder Involvement - Elvire Joëlle Zouzou (Mailly Epse), General Director of Forests and Wildlife of the Ministry of Water and Forests, Republic of Ivory Coast
- Involvement of civil society in legal reform to improve forest regulations - Gady Inès Mvoukani, Junior Legal Counter Programme Coordinator, Communication Officer Platform for Sustainable Forest Management, Republic of Congo
- Legal Reform: Development Partners Perspectives - Aurélie Marie Simone Monique Rossignol, Environment and Natural Resources Specialist, World Bank
- Q+A 30mins

# DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 31 OCTOBER, 2018

**08:00-08:30**    **Welcome** *Tea and coffee will be served*

**08:30-10:00**    **Fifth Session: Parallel Session**

## **Panel 1 - Private Sector Engagement & Land-use - WRI**

### **Chair:**

- Land-use planning in the RoC, intersectoral coordination and the involvement of all stakeholders (General Delegation of land-use Planning, Republic of Congo)
- The relevance of land-use planning for the forest sector in the Congo Basin (International Technical Tropical Timber Association- ATIBT)
- Agricultural commodities and Zero-Deforestation commitments (Partnership for Forests – P4F)
- Land use planning and agribusiness in the Republic of Congo: social and environmental issues ( Human Rights and Development Circle - CDHD)
- Q+A 30mins

## **Panel 2 - Involving indigenous peoples and local communities in forest governance - FAO**

### **Chair:**

**Introduction:** Forest Governance. What is it? What place for indigenous peoples and local communities? How does it affect the implementation of Sustainable Forest Management (SFM)? Irina Buttoud, FAO

- The Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) is not an end in itself, but an approach that enhances participation - Marta Gruca, FAO
- Legal timber from community forests. Community Verification System for the Legality of Timber in the Community Forest (SVCL) - Ghislain Fomou Nyamsi, SAILD
- The perspectives of Civil Society Organisations- Marie-Ange Kalenga, Fern
- Protect the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities in forest certification. What perspectives? - Mathieu Auger-Schwartzenberg, FSC Congo Basin.
- Conclusion: How to meet the challenges of capitalising on achievements? Contribution of the "Brazzaville roadmap for more effective participatory forestry in Central Africa" - Jean-Claude Nguinguiri, FAO
- Q+A 30mins

**10:00-10:15**    **Break** *Tea and coffee will be served*

**10:15-11:45**    **Sixth Session: Parallel Session**

## **Panel 1 – Forest Certification and forest governance links - ATIBT**

### **Chair:**

- FLEGT and Certification Linkages - Jacqueline LARDIT-VAN DE POL, ATIBT
- Certification process - Jean-Paul Grandjean, PPECF/Oréade-Breche :
- Local development and relations with the local populations - Vincent Istace, CIB
- Transparency and communication - Tom van Loon, IFO
- Anti-poaching, relations & activities with employees and their families - David Zakamdi, CEB
- Q+A 30mins

## **Panel 2 – Fire Management Planning, Sustainable Forest Management, Climate Change Response – US Forest Services**

### **Chair: Hon. NDINGA MAKANDA Accel**

### **Panellists**

- Mr BOCKANDZA PACO Frédéric, Director General ACFAP
- Mr GOUALA Patrice, Director of CNIAF
- Mr Richard Paton, US Forest Services
- Moussa Isaac, US Forest Services

**11:50-13:00**    **Seventh Session: Parallel Session**

### **Panel 1 - The scope for building synergies between IFM and IWT – CIDT & Conservation Justice**

#### **Chair:**

- Ten years of the PALF project in Congo: Crises, Methodology and Results - Perrine Odier, PALF
- Five years of ALEFI project in Gabon: Methodologies, results and lessons learnt - Luc Mathot, Conservation Justice.
- Links between wildlife and wood trafficking - Luc Mathot, Conservation Justice
- Synergies between Project LEAF Interpol and Independent Forest Monitoring – Oumar Algadi
- Strengthening Forest Monitoring and Wildlife Law Enforcement Project – Dr Aurelian Mbazibain, CIDT

### **Panel 2: The Accountability Framework initiative (AFi) – Proforest & Rainforest Alliance**

This panel will introduce participants to the AFi and invite them to contribute to the development of the Accountability Framework's common norms and guidance on setting, implementing and monitoring supply chain commitments.

#### **13:00-14:00 Lunch and Networking**

#### **14:00-15:10 Eighth Session: Plenary Session**

#### **Climate Change, Finance and REDD+ - World Bank**

##### **Chair:**

- Climate finance – Dr Dany Pokem, CBFP
- Climate and REDD+ in the Republic of Congo - National REDD+ Coordinator - Mr Bouzanga Georges
- Private sector engagement in the Republic of Congo and opportunities for REDD+ and FLEGT synergies – Aurelie Rossignol, World Bank
- Independent monitoring of REDD+ (IM REDD) – Jean Cyrille Owada, FLAG
- Payment for Performance - Ecosystem Restoration Concessions - Rufi'ie Abdullah, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia
- Q+A Session (30mins)

#### **Panel 1: Benefit Sharing, Gender and Funding - CIDT**

##### **Chair:**

- First evaluation to measure the quality of governance of the Republic of Congo, which affects the performance of the forest sector- Barros Lilian Laurin, CCJ, RoC
- Benefit-sharing from logging: case of social clauses agreements in the DRC - Jean Marie Bolika, WWF-DRC
- Benefit-sharing from logging: case of social clauses agreements in Gabon - Grace Ollomo, Brainforest
- Gender and independent forest monitoring in the Congo Basin - Igheba Bampa and Mary Nyuyinwi
- Q+A Session (30mins)

#### **15:10-15:30 Break *Tea and coffee will be served***

#### **15:30-16:40 Ninth Session: Plenary Session Feedback**

#### **17:00-17:30 Next steps and Closing Remarks**

##### **Moderator:**

- Closing remarks - Dr Aurelian Mbazibain, Project Manager, CIDT)
- Final remarks
- Official closing - Ministry of Forest Economy

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