



**Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations**

**Side Event at the
Twenty-Eighth Session of the Subsidiary Body for
Scientific and Technological Advice**

**Bonn, Tuesday, 10 June 2008
18:00-20:00, Maritim/CCTV**

The FAO side event will present and discuss efforts in providing information in order to respond to REDD mechanisms. Experiences in establishing a global monitoring framework and national level forest assessments will be outlined and discussed in terms of their contribution toward achieving REDD goals.

Agenda

Opening of the side event 18:00
Susan Braatz, Forests and Climate Change Officer, FAO

PART I
**Forest monitoring for REDD: How to move from
theory to practice**

**Monitoring Deforestation and Degradation at Global, Regional
and National Levels** 18:05
Mette Loyche-Wilkie, Coordinator, Global Forest Resources
Assessment, FAO

How to set up a common global framework and provide all countries with the tools and know-how needed to determine baselines and monitor future rates of deforestation and levels of forest degradation before 2012.

National Forest Monitoring and Assessment towards REDD!

18:20

Dan Altrell and Mikko Leppänen, National Forest Monitoring and Assessment Officers, FAO

How can systematic information on natural resources and land uses at national make a difference in achieving REDD? Why should countries monitor and assess their natural resources? Why should national strategic decisions be based on quality information?

The Philippine National Forest Assessment

18:30

Romeo Acosta, Forest Management Bureau, The Philippines

What role does the Philippine NFA play in the process of meeting the information needs for REDD and climate change processes and how has it contributed to getting closer to REDD?

Zambian Integrated Land-Use Assessment

18:40

Abel Siampale, Forestry Department, Ministry of Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources, Zambia

Why is information from an integrated assessment valuable for national strategic decisions and how does it contribute to a better understanding of REDD and climate change processes in Zambia?

Open discussion on forest monitoring for REDD

18:50

Part II

Low Carbon Density Forest in REDD

Luc Dubreul, Climate Change Focal Point, Investment Centre, FAO and Lucio Pedroni, CATIE, Costa Rica

19:15

Calculating carbon stock changes in low-carbon density forestlands poses challenges due to the lack of data on these forests in many countries. How can this lack of data/information be addressed to

arrive at a useful and reliable estimate of financial flows that could become available for low-carbon density forestlands? Accounting for avoided emissions in low-carbon forest ecosystems requires pragmatic and simplified approaches. What are the pros and cons of the "nested approach" in this context?

Discussion

19:30

Closure of event

20:00

Susan Braatz, Forests and Climate Change Officer, FAO

Food and drinks will be provided