It is estimated that forest degradation is responsible for more carbon losses than deforestation. Reducing degradation and restoring degraded tropical landscapes, on the other hand, offer considerable opportunities. This side-event will explore ways in which forest landscape restoration and sustainable forest management can:

- link to sustainable supply chains
- address timber supply gaps in tropical timber-producing countries
- enhance community resilience
- improve biodiversity conservation
- further contribute to climate-change mitigation.

**Programme**

Moderator: Sheam Satkuru, ITTO
16:45-16:50 Welcome remarks by Koji Hongo, Deputy Director General of Japan’s Forestry Agency
16:50-17:05 Keynote address by Gerhard Dieterle, ITTO Executive Director
17:05-17:40 Panel presentations:
  - Tamotsu Sato, Director of the Department of Forest Vegetation, FFPRI
  - Ahoussi Delphine, President of the MALEBI Women’s Association and member of the African Women’s Network for Community Management of Forests, Côte d’Ivoire
  - Malgorzata Buszko-Briggs, Programme Officer, FAO
17:40-18:10 Panel discussion with audience
18:10-18:15 Summary and closing