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▶ **ITTO. 2008. Community-Based Forest Enterprises.** ITTO Technical Series 28. *Yokohama, Japan.*

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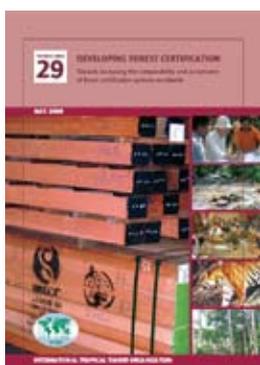
This report examines the role of community-based forest enterprises (CFEs) in tropical timber producing countries which are increasingly becoming significant players in the domestic and global market places. It surveys enterprises in both the formal and informal forest sectors, such as those

that participate in payment schemes and markets for environmental services. It provides market, social and political contexts within which they operate, presents an overview of case studies, analysis of case-study findings, and summarizes the lessons learned as well as making recommendations for the future.

Available in English.

▶ **ITTO. 2008. Developing Forest Certification.** ITTO Technical Series 29. *Yokohama, Japan.* ISBN 4-902045-39-7

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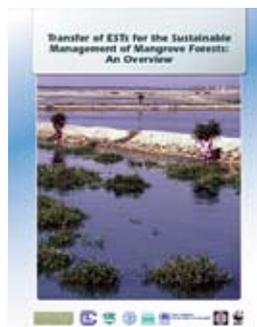
This report reviews and assesses progress in the comparability and equivalence of forest certification systems, particularly of the promotion of tropical timber certification. It is needed because of the proliferation of both certification systems and the market requirements for

such systems in the public and private sectors of tropical timber importing countries. Aims of the study included the collecting and analyzing of information on forest certification and chain of custody certification; identifying and recognizing appropriateness of each system; reviewing various mechanisms and initiatives; reviewing current and emerging market requirements and preferences; and suggesting areas of cooperation with regard to certification of tropical timber, including arrangements and possible incentives for implementation by phases which include legal compliance.

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▶ **Vidal, O. and Illueca, J.E. 2008. Transfer of ESTs for the Sustainable Management of Mangrove Forests: An Overview.** *World Wildlife Fund, Mexico.*

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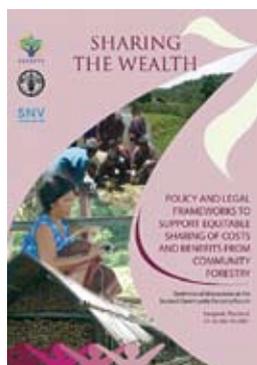


This paper was initially submitted as a working document to the 'Government-designated Expert Meeting on the Transfer of Environment-ally-sound Technologies for the Sustainable Management of Mangrove Eco-systems in Latin America and the Wider Caribbean', held in Managua, Nicaragua, 3-5 March 2003, as part of an initiative led by the Government of Nicaragua. The present version of the

document incorporates the outputs and recommendations of that meeting. It was co-sponsored by ITTO together with FAO, the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) Secretariat, the Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, the Caribbean Environment Programme (CEP) of the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) and Central American Commission for Maritime Transport (COCATRAM), with the participation of the World Bank, the Central American Bank for Economic Integration, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). This document analyzes the critical functions provided by mangroves worldwide. It contains a number of pertinent recommendations for their conservation, restoration and sustainable management.

▶ **RECOFTC, FAO and SNV. 2007. Sharing the wealth. Regional Community Forestry Training Center for Asia and the Pacific (RECOFTC). Bangkok, Thailand.** ISBN 978-974-8062-23-5

Available online at: www.recoftc.org/site/fileadmin/docs/Events/CF_Forum/SHARING_THE_WEALTH_v9.pdf



This document presents a synthesis of the discussions from the Second Community Forestry Forum in Bangkok, Thailand from March 21-22, 2007. The Forum was convened to share experiences among peers regarding the equitable distribution of benefits and costs of community forestry. It is a useful resource for those within and outside government who share an interest in harnessing community forestry to support poverty reduction and sustainable forest management.

▶ **FAO. 2008. Re-inventing Forestry Agencies: Experiences of institutional restructuring in Asia and the Pacific.** *Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, Thailand.* ISBN 978-974-06-1218-6

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This publication is a compilation of nine case studies of forestry agencies in countries around the Asia-Pacific region. Analysis reveals some clear factors determining the effectiveness (or ineffectiveness) of forestry institutions, and outlines commonalities and differences in the course followed by different countries in responding to calls for change. The analysis further identifies major trends related to forest management including the devolution of powers and responsibilities to a range of actors and recognition of the multiple functions of forests and the conflicts that may arise between these functions. A trend towards separation of regulatory and strategic roles from implementation functions—and corresponding restructuring of agencies and redirection of funds—is noted.

This publication is intended to offer insights into the approaches and rationales that have supported restructuring and re-invention of forestry agencies. Through comparative analysis, the publication offers recommendations on institutional structures, functions, and strategies to appropriately respond to the rapidly changing forestry environment.

► **International Institute for Environment and Development. 2008. Towards a global forest partnership: Consultation, assessment and recommendations. Final Report. IIED, London, UK. ISBN: 978-1-84369-711-4**

Available online at: www.iiedgfpcconsultation.org/



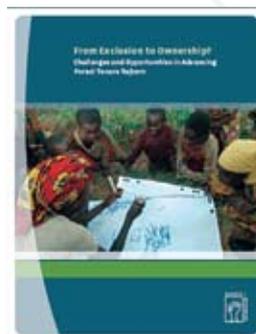
This report presents the findings of an independent consultation conducted by the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) on the World Bank's preliminary idea of a new global forest partnership. It suggests an approach that responds positively to stakeholders' opinions and to analysis of recent experience.

The report proposes the development of an inclusive, forest stakeholder-driven partnership with global ambition, which could be expected to empower forest stakeholders by: making real connections within the forest sector and across other sectors; increasing responsibility for, and local benefits from, forest global public goods; and by improving the quantity and quality of forest investment.

Summary versions of this report are available in French, Spanish and Portuguese at www.iiedgfpcconsultation.org and www.iied.org/pubs.

► **Sunderlin, W.D., Hatcher, J. and Liddle, M. 2008. From Exclusion to Ownership? Challenges and Opportunities in Advancing Forest Tenure Reform. RRI, Washington DC, USA. ISBN 978-0-615-21808-3**

Available online at: www.rightsandresources.org/publication_details.php?publicationID=736

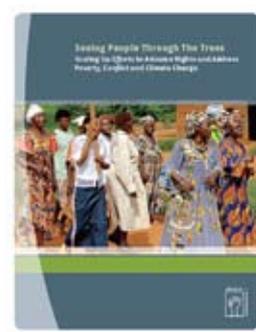


This report finds that governments are reducing their legal ownership and control of the world's forests according to a survey of 25 of the world's 30 most forested countries between the years 2002–2008. During that period, the area of state ownership declined, while there were corresponding increases in the area of forests designated for use by communities and indigenous peoples, the area owned by communities and indigenous peoples, and the area owned by individuals and firms.

The report concludes that where implemented appropriately, many countries and millions of rural people will benefit from such reform and forests will be better managed. Moreover, the clarification and strengthening of forest tenure will help address issues such as conflict and war, poverty, and climate change. The report includes recommendations on how governments can improve, launch or accelerate forest tenure transition.

► **Rights and Resources Initiative. 2008. Seeing People Through The Trees: Scaling Up Efforts to Advance Rights and Address Poverty, Conflict and Climate Change. RRI, Washington DC, USA. ISBN 978-0-615-21842-7**

Available online at: www.rightsandresources.org/publication_details.php?publicationID=737



This report references past models of forest management to demonstrate weaknesses in governance structures while emphasizing gaps and opportunities for the strategic involvement of the international community. The key messages and recommendations to emerge are

addressed to the global development community, governments and civil society regarding their roles in forest tenure reform and improved governance.