



FAO/ITTO Regional Workshop on Improving Forest Law Compliance and Governance in Tropical West Africa

Novotel Accra, Ghana
15 - 17 July 2008

Draft Agenda (26 May 2008)

Tuesday, 15 July 2008	
08:00 - 09:00	Workshop registration
09:00 - 10:00	Opening Session - Minister of Lands, Forestry and Mines of Ghana - FAO Sub-regional Coordinator for West Africa - ITTO representative - ECOWAS representative
10:00 - 10:30	Group photo and coffee break
10:30 - 11:00	Workshop introduction - Presentation of participants - Objectives, expected results and methodology of the workshop (Facilitator)
11:00 - 12:00	Panel discussion on regional initiatives on forestry and FLEGT in West Africa (ECOWAS, UEMOA, AFLEG, EC)
12:00 - 12:30	Ghana's experiences improving forest law compliance and governance (Ghana Forestry Commission)

12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:45	<p>Country presentations</p> <p>14:00 – 14:20 Benin 14:20 – 14:40 Côte d’Ivoire</p> <p>14:40 – 15:00 Guinea Conakry</p> <p>15:00 – 15:20 Guinea Bissau Discussion of country presentations</p>
15:45 -16:10	Coffee break
16:10 - 18:00	<p>Continuation of country presentations</p> <p>16:10 – 16:30 Liberia</p> <p>16:30 – 16:50 Nigeria</p> <p>16:50 – 17:10 Sierra Leone 17:10 – 17:30 Togo Discussion of country presentations and wrap-up</p>
19 :00	Reception hosted by the Government of Ghana, FAO and ITTO

Wednesday, 16 July 2008	
09:00 - 09:15	Recapitulation of the first day (Facilitator)
09:15 - 09:45	Presentation [TBD]
09:45 - 10:30	Introduction to "Best Practices": Rationalizing the policy and legal framework, building institutional capacity and improving knowledge and information (Eva Muller, FAO)
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:30	<u>Working Group Session I</u> : Identification of strategies and priority actions for improving forest law compliance and governance in the region in relation to the policy and legal framework, institutional capacity and knowledge and information from the perspective of different stakeholders (4 working groups: Government, NGOs, private sector, regional/international organizations)
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:30	<u>Working Group Session I</u> (cont.)
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 - 17:00	Presentation of working group results in plenary
17:00 - 17:30	Plenary discussion of working group results

Thursday, 17 July 2008	
09:00 - 09:15	Recapitulation of the second day (Facilitator)
09:15 - 10:30	<u>Working Group Session II</u> Part I: Recommendations for concrete steps forward in relation to the policy and legal framework, institutional capacity, knowledge and information and regional collaboration (4 mixed working groups)
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:30	<u>Working Group Session II</u> Part II : Roles of different stakeholders in the implementation of the recommendations
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:30	Presentation of working groups results in plenary and discussion
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 - 17:00	Preparation and discussion of final workshop statement in plenary
17:00 - 17:30	Workshop closure