



# ***51<sup>st</sup> Committee on Reforestation and Forest Management***

***7-12 November 2017, Lima, Peru***

## **Item 9: Policy Work**

The background of the slide is a high-angle, aerial photograph of a lush tropical forest. A winding river or stream flows through the center of the forest, reflecting the sky. In the distance, misty mountains rise against a hazy sky. The overall color palette is dominated by deep greens and blues.

**Developments in UNFCCC regarding Forests and their Potential Implications for Tropical Forests and World Tropical Timber Economy**

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# Forests in the Paris Agreement

## Preamble

**Art. 3:** Communication of NDCs

**Art. 4:** Mitigation

**Art. 5:** Forests & land

1. Take action to conserve and enhance sinks & reservoirs of GHG, including forests
2. Take action to implement and support REDD+ and JMA, including through results-based payments

**Art. 6:** Sustainable Development Mechanism (use of ITMOs)

**Art. 9:** Finance Adopted decisions: Par.55 of Finance decision

**Art. 13:** Transparency



# REDD+ and UNFCCC COP23

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In UNFCCC COP23, there was only one agenda item under the 47th session of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI 47 item 9 – Coordination of support for the implementation of activities in relation to mitigation actions in the forest sector by developing countries).

Parties discussed to review the outcomes of REDD+ voluntary meetings and considered existing institutions or need of alternative institutional arrangements to coordinate support for REDD+.

This item has not been concluded and next SBI will continue its discussion on this matter.



# commitments/actions for forest in COP23

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UN Climate Press Release / 17 Nov, 2017 (Concrete Climate Action Commitments at COP23 (<https://cop23.unfccc.int/news/concrete-climate-action-commitments-at-cop23>) :

**Adaptation Fund** Germany's contribution of 50 million euros and Italy's contribution of 7 million euros at a total equivalent of USD 93.3 million dollars

**Norway & Unilever** USD 400 million fund for public and private investment; investing in business models that combine investments in high productivity agriculture, smallholder inclusion and **forest protection**

**Germany and Britain** to provide combined USD 153 million to expand programs to fight climate change and **deforestation in Amazon rainforest**

**World Resources Institute** announced a landmark USD2.1 billion of private investment earmarked to **restore degraded lands** in LA & the Caribbean through Initiative 20x20

**Ecuador** to reduce 15 million tonnes of CO2 emissions in the forest sector

**Gabon's National Park Service** to halt illegal logging to stop emission of 20 million tonnes of CO2

**UNDP** launched the **Global Platform for the New York Declaration on Forests** to accelerate achievement of its goals of forest protection and restoration.



# Forest: Outside the negotiations-COP23

Forest Thematic Day on Sunday, 12 November.

It discussed forest & climate science; progress in implementation; enabling conditions needed to move forward; and D-free supply chains.

**UNFCCC COP23 Side Event**  
**Mangroves in the Tropics: Realizing their Potential for Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation**  
 13 (Mon) November 2017 "16:45-18:15", Venue: Meeting Room 4, "Bonn zone"

Mangroves are one of the most carbon rich ecosystems in the tropics in sequestering and storing excessive atmospheric carbon, hence, mitigating climate change. If sustainably managed, mangrove ecosystems can store globally significant quantities of carbon while supporting the livelihoods of millions of coastal-dwelling people through a wide range of goods and environmental services.

However, mangrove forests are facing tremendous pressure from deforestation and land-use change causing the increase of degraded area and further emissions of greenhouse gases. Globally mangroves cover an area of around 13.5 million hectares (FAO 2007) after losing almost half in the previous 50 years. There would be a number of possibilities for these ecosystems to be brought into the international arenas, including NDC, REDD+, and NAMA, where adaptation and mitigation measures can be synergistically implemented. This event will share lessons learned from mangrove management in the tropics and discuss key mitigation & adaptation attributes of mangroves to realize their potential in addressing Article 5 of the Paris Agreement as well as SDG 14 ('life below water') and SDG 15 ('life on land').

## THEMATIC DAYS OVERVIEW

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER		SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER		SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER	
ENERGY	WATER	AGRICULTURE	OCEANS & COASTAL ZONES	HUMAN STLMTS.	TRANSPORT
				INDUSTRY	FORESTS
				LOCAL & REGIONAL LEADERS SUMMIT	HEALTH DAY

## HIGH-LEVEL DAYS OVERVIEW

MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER		TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER		WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER	
HIGH-LEVEL OPENING	RESILIENCE				
FINANCE	INNOVATION				
SDG11 & CLIMATE ACTION H-L ROUNDTABLES	SDG2 & CLIMATE ACTION H-L ROUNDTABLES				
	CLOSING (BONN ZONE)	GENDER DAY			HIGH-LEVEL CLOSING (BULA ZONE)





# Green Climate Fund: REDD-plus pilot programme

## 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board (30 Sep – 2 Oct 2017)

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- The REDD-plus pilot programme will be operational with **a maximum amount of USD 500 million** until 2022
- The period of eligible results is from **31 Dec 2013** (time of adoption of the Warsaw Framework for REDD+) **to 31 Dec 2018**
- Price set at a fixed value of **USD 5 per tonne of CO2 equivalent** of reduced emissions or enhanced removals
- The maximum amount of payments per country would be set at **30% of the total payable volume** during the entire length of the pilot.

# Outlook

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## **UNFCCC**

- Implementation guidelines for Paris Agreement in 2018
- With the year 2020 – the start of Paris Agreement implementation

## **Multilateral REDD+ Initiatives**

- Continue moving from preparation to implementation

## **Green Climate Fund (GCF)**

- Operation of the REDD-plus pilot programme

