



ITTO/FFPRI side-event at UNFCCC COP24 in Poland

Restoring degraded tropical forests: reconciling carbon, biodiversity and community resilience

Co-organized by the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO) and the REDD R&D Center at Japan's Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute (FFPRI)

Date and time: Thursday, 13 December 2018, 16:45-18:15 hrs

Venue: Room Pieniny, official side-event venue, Katowice, Poland

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