



TEAKNET Side Event

New Opportunities for Teak Sector in the Post COVID-19 Scenario

Under Sub-theme III: The green pathway to growth and sustainability

Thursday, May 5, 2022 | 9:30 - 11:00 AM (GMT +9)

Teak is one of the most valuable tropical hardwoods in the world. Natural teak forests are fast dwindling in their natural habitats and the genetic resource base is at high risk of losing its diversity. The importance of teak in family farming and forest conservation along with its prominent position in the global timber trade has resulted in the expansion of teak plantations in about 70 countries throughout tropical Africa, Asia, Latin America and Oceania. However, the social and economic disruptions of the COVID -19 pandemic are having undesired effects on the global teak sector. As part of promoting the sustainable management of teak resources and sustainable production and consumption of teak wood, TEAKNET is currently collaborating with ITTO in the execution of a project involving Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. This side event will be an excellent opportunity to discuss the role of teak forests in building back better livelihoods in the post-pandemic scenario. It will also review the impacts of climate change on natural teak forests and highlight good practices of conservation, management and sustainable use of teak forests in the Mekong region. The event will publicize and detail the forthcoming 4th World Teak Conference (5-8 Sep 2022, Accra, Ghana) to the wider audience of the World Forestry Congress.

Session Chair



Dr. S.Sandeep
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Opening Remarks



Ms. Sheam Satkuru
Executive Director
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Felicitatation address



Dr. Michael Kleine
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Dr. P.K.Thulasidas
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Teak Book Release



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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

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Session Chair : Dr. S. Sandeep, TEAKNET Coordinator		
Co-chair : Dr. PK Thulasidas, Dy. Coordinator, IUFRO Teakwood Working Party (Div.5.06.02)		
09:30 – 09:40	Introduction and Opening Remarks	Ms Sheam Satkuru, Eecutive Director, ITTO, Japan
09:40 – 09:45	Felicitation Address (Virtual)	Dr. Michael Kleine, Dy. Executive Director, IUFRO HQ, Vienna, Austria
09:45 - 09:50	New opportunities for Teak sector in the post COVID-19 Scenario	Dr. S. Sandeep TEAKNET Coordinator Kerala Forest Research Institute, Peechi, India
09:50 – 10:00	Predicted Climate Change Impact on Natural Teak Forests in the Greater Mekong Sub-region	Prof. Dr. Yongyut Trisurat, Faculty of Forestry, Kasetsart University Thailand
10:00 – 10:10	Sustainable management of natural teak forests in Myanmar	Dr. Zar Chi Hlaing Staff Officer, Forest Department, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, Myanmar
10:10 – 10:20	Sustainable investment in teak plantations in Cambodia	Mr. Chheang Dany Dy. Director General, Forestry Administration, Cambodia
10:20 – 10:30	Small holders' timber certification in Vietnam	Dr. Tran Lam Dong Director, Silvicultural Research Institute, Vietnamese Academy of Forest Science, Hanoi, Vietnam
10:30 – 10:40	4 th World Teak Conference 2022 updates from LOC, Ghana	Ms. Valerie Fumey Nassah Head of Plantations Department Resource Management Support Centre Forestry Commission of Ghana, Kumasi
10:40 – 10:50	Discussion	
10:50 – 10:55	Book Release: “Sustainable Management of Teak (<i>Tectona grandis</i>) in the Mekong Region”	Dr. MA Hwan-ok & Prof. Dr. Yongyut Trisurat ITTO Teak Mekong Project Team
10:55 – 11:00	Closing remarks & Wrap up	Dr. PK Thulasidas Dy. Coordinator, IUFRO Teakwood Working Party (D5.06.02)