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SESSION S13

Teakwood Quality: Global Challenges and Opportunities

Time: 09:20 – 10:40 hrs Room: Auditorium B

Date: Tuesday 6 June 2023

Organizers



IUFRO Teakwood Working Party (Div.5.06.02) International Union of Forest Research Organizations



International Tropical Timber Organization, Japan



TEAKNET (International Teak Information Network)



Background

eak (Tectona grandis L.f.) is the most common priority species for industries and planted forest in Asia-Pacific, Africa, Latin America and the Oceania. As per the latest reports of ITTO, the COVID-19 pandemic on wood products production, consumption and trade has caused major disruptions in the global economy to an estimated contraction of 3.3 percent in 2020 and in the second half, the global financial situation improved after ease of lifting the lockdown in many countries. Global trade in teak roundwood is over 1.02 million cubic meters annually dominated by India, China and Thailand followed by marginal volume by Vietnam. Of the managed teak plantations in about 70 countries, it is certain that in future, world's supply of

teakwood will come from short rotation plantations of 15-25 yrs and other proportions from commercial thinnings.

Objectives

This session will examine promoting value chains for teak timber products through value-added product development, establishment of incentive mechanisms to promote legal and sustainable teak supply chains and investment for teak forests. Other areas of interest include genetically improved planting material for quality timber production, application and adoption of enhanced processing technologies, appropriate trading policies and standards, scaling up international cooperation, partnerships and networking to promote the contributions of sustainable teakwood products in addressing climate change and SDG's.



Programme Schedule

Tuesday I 6th June 2023, 09:20 – 10:40 hrs.

Session Chair : Dr. P. K. Thulasidas, Dy. Coordinator, IUFRO Teakwood WP &

Former TEAKNET Coordinator, Kerala Forest Research Institute, India

Time	Title
09:20 - 09:40	Supply chain management of forest biomass utilization for bioenergy industry development Jingxin Wang, West Virginia University, USA
09:40 - 10:00	Towards a total transformation of teak wood in Togo: the contribution of smallholders in the city of Asrama Komlan Houelete, Office de Developpement et D'exploitation des Forets, Togo
10:00 - 10:20	Situation and trends of trade and market access of tropical timber and timber products. Tetra Yanuaridi, International Tropical Timber Organisation, Japan
10:20 - 10:40	TEAKNET update presentation P.K. Thulasidas, TEAKNET, Kerala Forest Research Institute, India

Wrap up and closing remarks