



Progress Report on the Implementation of the Biennial Work Programme 2021-2022

Decision 2(LVI)

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BWP 2021-2022

Adopted under Decision 2(LVI), 40 activities

- Part 1: 24 activities requiring financing through voluntary contributions, core budget or other sources

Funding sought: US\$ 4,346,760 (voluntary contributions)
US\$ 1,860,000 (core budget)
US\$ 6,206,760

- Part 2: 16 administrative & financial activities
not requiring financing

one additional activity, secondment of a Programme Officer from the Government of Korea, financed by KFS





BWP 2021-2022

Part 1 – Activities requiring financing

- Group 1: Field oriented activities with engagement of /work in member countries
- Group 2: Normative work on policy guidelines or other strategic work
- Group 3: Collaborative work/meetings with other organizations and initiatives
- Group 4: Communications and Outreach related work
- Group 5: Analytical, statistical and other recurring work





Financing Status of Activities

		Financing Status	US\$ Pledged
GROUP 1 – FIELD ORIENTED ACTIVITIES WITH ENGAGEMENT OF/WORK IN MEMBER COUNTRIES			
1	Incentives for green-growth value chain investments in tropical forests	Partial	77,000
2	Building legal and sustainable forest product supply chains	Full	2,484,798
3	Strengthening Participation of the Private Sector in the Work of ITTO	Partial	25,000
4	Enhancing teak management	Pending	NIL
5	Enhance cooperation between ITTO and CITES	Full	600,538
6	Independent market monitoring of FLEGT-licensed timber	Full	EU Grant
7	a) Criteria and indicators workshops	Pending	NIL
	b) Adapting the 2016 ITTO Criteria and Indicators (C&I) for SFM to African context	Pending	NIL
8	Statistical capacity building workshops	Partial	11,761
9	Prevention and management of fire in tropical timber-producing forests	Pending	NIL
GROUP 2 – NORMATIVE WORK ON POLICY GUIDELINES OR OTHER STRATEGIC WORK			
10	Formulate a new ITTO Strategic Action Plan	Full	Funded under BWP 2018/19
11	a) Operationalizing ITTO Policy guidelines on gender equality and empowering women	Pending	NIL
	b) Dissemination of the ITTO Guidelines for Forest Landscape Restoration in the Tropics	Partial	80,000
	c) Support for women's groups with gender empowerment and forest landscape restoration in Togo	Partial	182,822
GROUP 3 – COLLABORATIVE WORK/MEETINGS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS/INITIATIVES			
12	Conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in tropical timber production forests	Partial	55,288
13	Cooperation and consultation with the CPF, UNFF and others	Partial	110,000
14	Collaboration on criteria and indicators for SFM	Pending	NIL
GROUP 4 – COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH RELATED WORK			
15	ITTO communication strategy	Full	Funded under BWP 2018/19
16	ITTO Tropical Forest Update (TFU)	Partial	Core
17	a) Communications activities (website, reports, PR, etc.)	Partial	Core & 11,000
	b) Outreach activities (booths and/or side events at relevant international fora)	Partial	Core
	c) Translation of the ITTO website and relevant PR materials into Japanese	Full	50,000
GROUP 5 – ANALYTICAL, STATISTICAL, AND OTHER RECURRING WORK			
18	Trade (TAG) and Civil Society (CSAG) Advisory Group involvement	Partial	20,000
19	ITTO Annual Market Discussion	Partial	Core
20	Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals	Partial	Core
21	ITTO Fellowship Programme	Partial	235,663
22	ITTO Market Information Service (MIS)	Partial	Core
23	Enhancement of statistical work and databases on statistics	Partial	Core & 10,000
24	Biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation	Partial	Core



Pledges to the BWP 2021 - 2022

	Voluntary Contributions	
Year	US\$ sought	US\$ pledged
2021	US\$ 2,050,000	US\$ 1,852,923
2022	US\$ 2,296,760	US\$ 2,100,947
Total	US\$ 4,346,760	US\$ 3,953,870





Members	US\$
Japan	971,442
USA	355,000
China	200,000
Netherlands	119,823
Unearmarked Funds & BPF	60,000
Subtotal (a)	1,706,265
Non-members	
Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM)	1,333,920
CITES Secretariat	400,538
FAO	314,848
Soka Gakkai	182,822
Precious Forest Foundation, PFF	11,000
Kisso-an	4,477
Subtotal (b)	2,247,605
Total (a+b)	3,953,870
Contractual contributions	
<i>EU Grant for IMM (Activity 7)</i>	4,499,438*
<i>Secondment from Korea Forest Service</i>	1,006,502**
*€4,000,000 Grant	
** Cooperation Agreement KFW – KRW 1.23 billion	

BWP Pledges by Donor





Implementation Status of selected BWP Activities

Group 1 – Field oriented activities

Act 2: Building legal and sustainable forest product supply chains

US\$2.484.798

Sub-activities 2.1 to 2.3 continuing from previous BWP (*BMEL, Germany*) - *completed*

2.1 *Supporting the establishment and operation of the Global LSSC Platform*

2.2 *Promotion of Smallholders' Forest Landscape Restoration in West Africa*

2.3 *Development of training curricula for Central African countries on LSSC*

2.4 Capacity building for the implementation of LSSC by stakeholders in the Congo Basin countries – *reported to CRF*

2.5 Strengthening SFM standards and timber legality framework in Myanmar *reported to CRF*

2.6 Analysis of timber legality assurance systems and good practices in China, Myanmar and Viet Nam for sustainable timber trade – *report to CEM/CFI*

2.7 Global Forest Education – *completed.*

Online Learning Course on LSSC available at <https://lsscourse.com>





Implementation Status of selected BWP Activities

Group 1 – Field oriented activities cont.

- 2.8 Development of Three Country Profiles to Populate the TimberLex Online Legal Database – *Brazil, Colombia and Ecuador profiles prepared & uploaded to the FAO TimberLex database*
<https://timberlex.apps.fao.org>
- 2.9 Review of Sustainable Forest Trade in the Lower Mekong Region
Contract with FAO, report completed and submitted to FAO

New sub-activities (*implementation arrangements commenced in June 2022*)

- 2.10 Supporting the Establishment and Operation of the Global Timber Index Platform for Building Legal and Sustainable Forest Product Supply Chains. US\$ 986,720 (*Macao – IPIM*)
- 2.11 Supporting Pilot Collaborative Operation of the Blockchain-based Timber Traceability System (BTTS) for Building Legal and Sustainable Forest Product Supply Chains.
US\$ 347,200 (*Macao – IPIM*)



Implementation Status of selected BWP Activities

Group 1 – Field oriented activities cont.

Act 6: Independent market monitoring of FLEGT-licensed timber, IMM

- *Three (modular) reports published in 2022*
- *IMM is scheduled to complete activities in December 2022*
- *IMM update & report presented to the Joint Committee*

Group 2 – Normative Work

Act 10: Formulate a new Strategic Action Plan

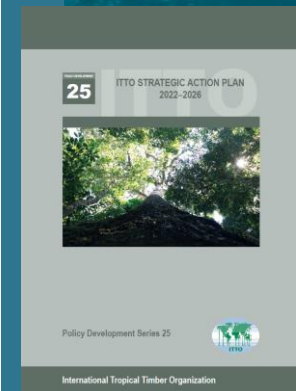
Strategic Action Plan 2022-2026 was adopted at the 57th ITTC

Act 11b: Dissemination of FLR Guidelines

reported to CRF

Act 11c: Support for women's Groups in Togo

reported to CRF & Joint Committee CSAG Item





Implementation Status of selected BWP Activities *cont.*

Group 3 – Collaborative Work

Act 12: Conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in tropical timber producing countries

- *MOU between ITTO and CBD was renewed in February 2021*
- *Joint ITTO-CBD in cooperation with the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO) and the Network of Central African Forestry and Environmental Training Institutions (RIFFEAC) will be held at the COP 15 in Montreal, Canada (7-19 Dec 2022)*
- *Report on matters related to Article 15 of the ITTA, 2006, on cooperation and coordination with other organizations under Agenda Item 15*

Improving outcomes
for biodiversity
and people



Achievements, challenges and ways forward
for the ITTO-CBD Collaborative Initiative
for Tropical Forest Biodiversity

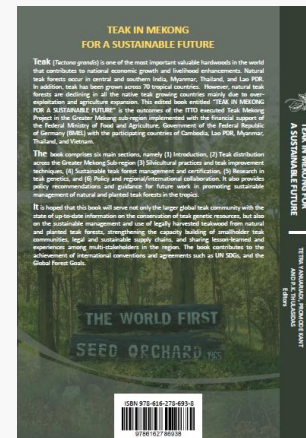
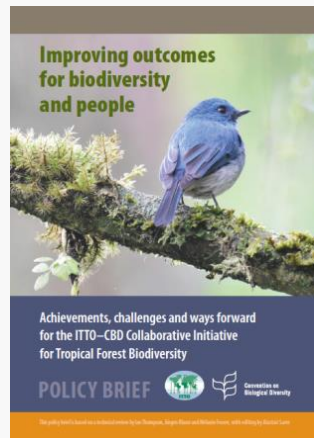
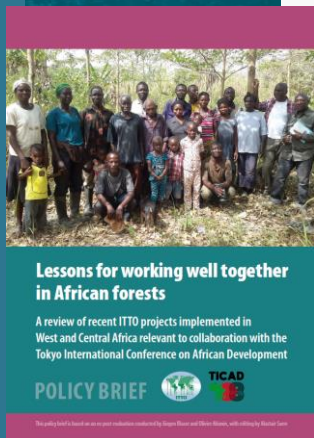
POLICY BRIEF   



Implementation Status of selected BWP Activities *cont.*

Group 4: Communications and Outreach related Activities

- Two policy briefs published in 2022
 - Improving Outcomes for Biodiversity and People
 - Lessons for Working Well Together in African Forests.
- A new national policy for the Peruvian forest
- Teak in the Mekong for a Sustainable Future
- TFU, MIS
- Website
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Implementation Status of selected BWP Activities *cont.*

Group 5: Analytical, statistical and other recurring work

Act 18: TAG and CSAG involvement

Act 19: Market Discussion ‘Carbon Trade and Tropical Forests’
held on Tuesday, 8 November 2022

Act 20: Expert Panel for the Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals
Report of the 57th EP presented to the Joint Committees

Act 21: ITTO Fellowship Programme
Report of the Fellowship Selection Panel will be presented by the Vice-Chairperson of the Council

Act 23: Enhancement of statistical work and databases on statistics

- *ITTO online statistical database is updated regularly*
- *Special study - Long-term review of the consumption and trade of tropical primary and secondary wood products in the world over the period 1990-2020 (to be published in the Biennial Review).*

Act. 24: Biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation
Draft Review of the World Timber Situation 2021–2022 presented to Council under Agenda Item 18



Annual Market Discussion 2022
Organised by the Trade Advisory Group, ITTO
Tuesday 8 November 2022, Yokohama.

Theme:
Carbon Trade and Tropical Forests

Moderator:
Binney Chan, Coordinator TAG



This Year the Annual Market Discussion will focus on carbon trade and tropical forests. With the effects of climate change upon us there is some concern regarding the role of carbon capture, storage and trade. The World Bank has said carbon pricing is a powerful tool to get economies on low-emissions paths, but where do tropical forests fit in these paths? Is carbon trading in tropical forests compatible with SFM harvesting of timber?

Background:
Overview of Forest Carbon Market in the context of Nationally Determined Contributions Implementation in Asia Pacific.
Author: Shu-Yu Yang, CSAG

Challenges:
Is Managing Tropical Forests for Timber and Carbon a Fair or a Fake?
Author: Giovanni ARONCI, Brazil

Feasibility of carbon projects in Africa: Examples and Challenges.
Author: Scheline, ATBT, France

Background:
E2F4: Technology and carbon inventory in Peru.
Author: William Llancaya, GDS Specialist, Peru

Scaling New Zealand native forest restoration with carbon credits and A&I.
Author: Nicholas Pridmore, Conservation, New Zealand

Questions & Answers

At the end of the Market Discussion, a Trade Statement will be presented. The Statement will include the members of the Trade Advisory Group which represented representatives from both Consumer and Producer Countries in all global regions. The Statement will be used by both ITTO and FTA.



Draft Decision to extend the BWP 2021-2022 for one year through 2023 so that the BWP is back in line with the biennial cycle of the Administrative Budget

Thank you

