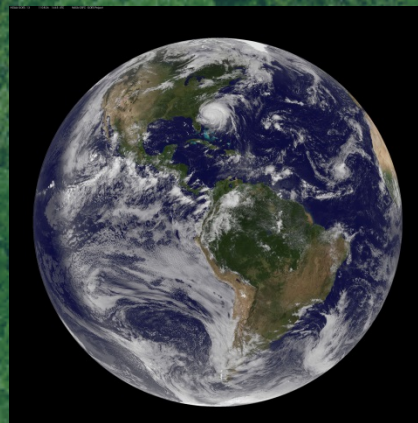




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Progress report of ITTO Fellowship Programme



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Objective (Freezailah Fellowship Fund)

To develop human resources and enhance professional expertise in member countries in tropical forestry, tropical timber industries and related disciplines

with a view to promoting:

- sustainable management of tropical forests
- efficient utilization and processing of tropical timber
- better economic information on the international trade in tropical timber





Outreach of the Fellowship Programme

1. ITTO website

- Information about Fellowship Programme
- On-line application
- Fellowship Network

2. TFU

- Fellowship reports are normally highlighted in each issue of TFU

The screenshot shows the ITTO website with a green header and navigation menu. The main content area is titled 'ITTO Fellowship Programme' and includes a 'Current Status' section, a 'Fellowship Network' section with an 'APPLY' button, and a 'Download free Adobe Reader software' link. A photo of an ITTO Fellow is also visible.

The screenshot shows a TFU report titled 'Fellowship report' with a red header. The report is titled 'Population dynamics of commercial tree species after selective logging in Myanmar' by Rosy Newin. It includes a photo of a forest worker and a caption: 'Marked: A forest worker demarcates an experimental plot at the study site. Photo: R. Newin'. The text discusses the moist deciduous forests of the Bago Mountains in Myanmar and the impact of selective logging on teak-bearing forests.

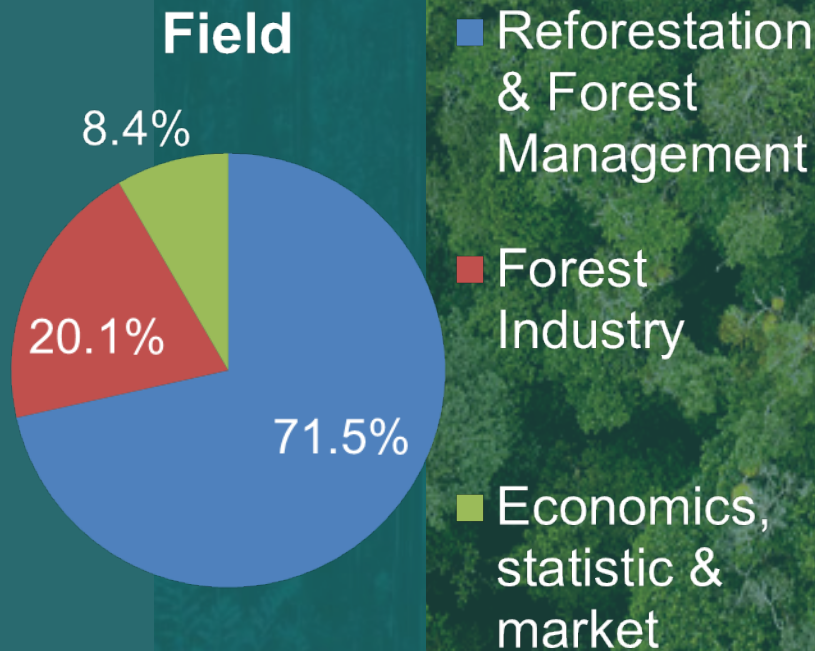


Status of Fellowship Awards

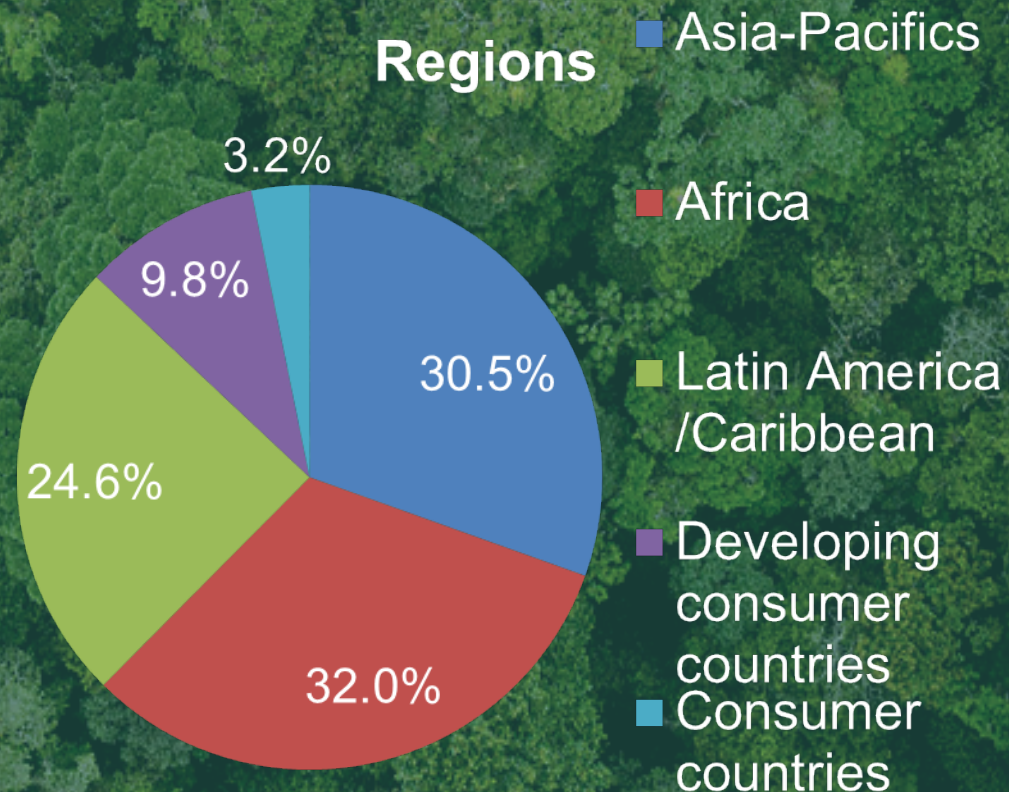
How many fellowships are awarded?

Total of 1,324 fellows

Field



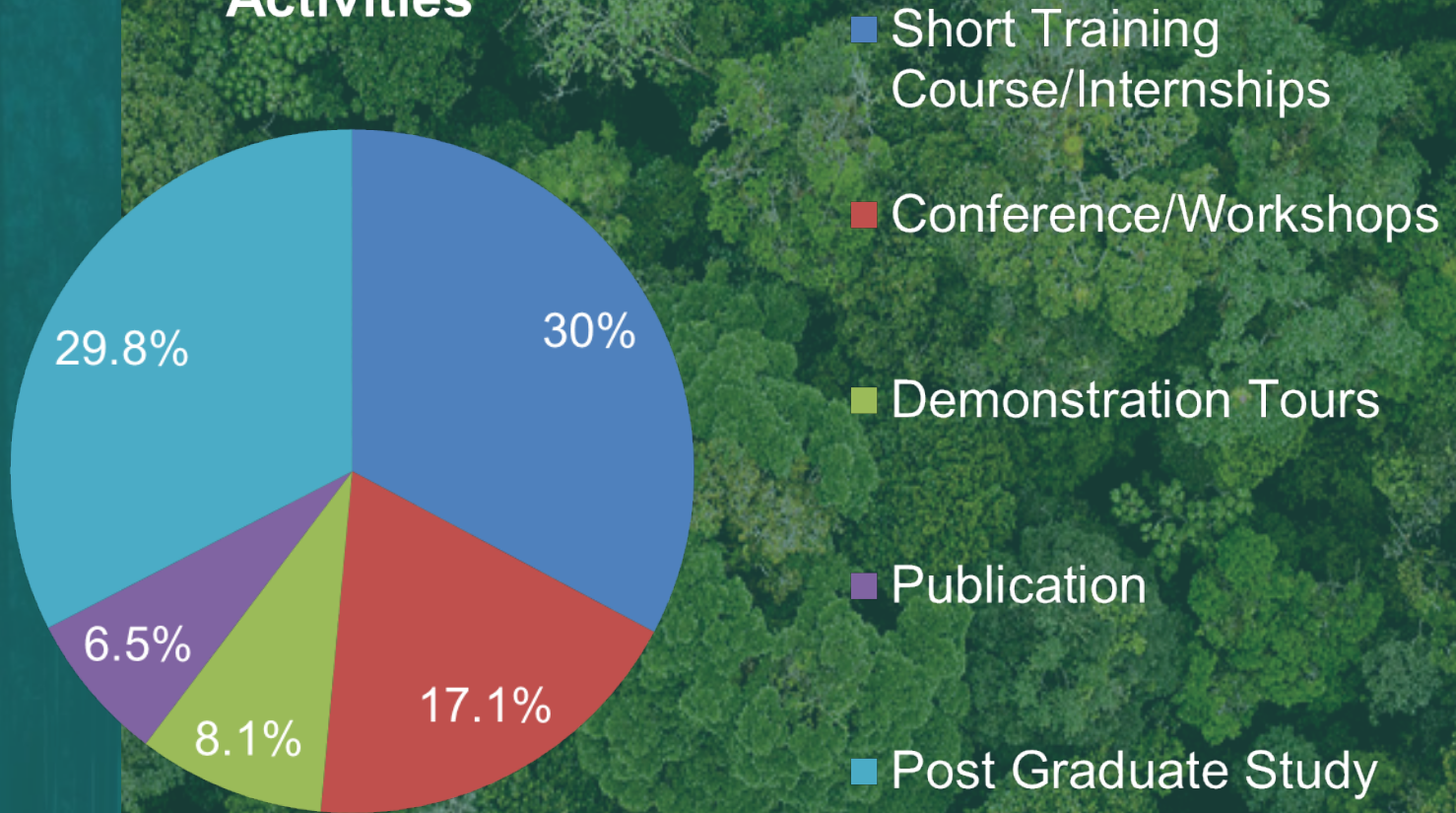
Regions





Status of Fellowship Awards

Activities





Impact Assessment

Objective: to assess the impact of ITTO Fellowship Programme on each fellow, at different levels

Target : **220** Fellows who received the grant between the year of 2010 and 2014

A total of **155** fellows from **28** countries responded
Response rate : **70.4%**



Impact Assessment

- In terms of their contribution to promoting reforestation/forest conservation in their home country, **82%** of the respondents answered that they have made very large or moderate contributions
- About **88%** of the respondents indicated that they have been able to improve the productivity and performance of their home institution by developing new programs or innovative ways of working



Impact Assessment

- **42%** indicated that the knowledge & skills acquired through the Fellowship Programme has helped them to influence national forestry and environmental policy in their home countries
- **61%** of the respondents indicated that they are currently working on international forestry issues such as on climate change and REDD



Impact Assessment

- **85%** of the respondents currently hold either Ph.D.(42%) or Master Degree (58%) in forestry or related disciplines and more than **1/3** of the fellows received those degrees through the activities supported by the Fellowship Programme
- More than **60%** of the respondents achieved a relevant job position or job promotion immediately after completion of their fellowship, and **73%** of them answered “totally related” or “strongly related” to the question whether any job promotion or new job position was due to the skill or knowledge that they gained from the fellowship



Impact Assessment

- **65%** of the respondents published scientific papers, books, field manuals or national language reports etc. based on the result of their fellowship activity
- **94%** of the fellows returned home after completing fellowship activities while 6% either remains the country where they carried out their fellowships or went to other countries, either to continue Ph.D. study



Impact Assessment

- **88%** of respondents answered very significantly or significantly to the question to what extent they pass the knowledge and experience obtained from their fellowship to others

The statistic shows that the Fellowship Programme is excellent in terms of knowledge sharing therefore contributes to the promotion of worldwide human resource development and strengthen professional expertise of member countries in a holistic approach.



Impact Assessment

Conclusion

The programme has therefore made a significant contribution to human capacity development in ITTO producer member countries

The Fellowship Programme is a great investment for the future of Tropical Forest



Funding

- The Programme is currently suspended
- US\$400,000 is requested for Year 2016 to maintain the Programme at the level of 50-60 awards per year