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Agenda item 14

#### Adoption of the report of the Forum on its tenth session

### Draft report

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### Organization of the session

#### A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The United Nations Forum on Forests held its tenth session at United Nations Headquarters on 4 February 2011 and in Istanbul, Turkey, from 8 to 19 April 2013. The Forum held \_\_ plenary meetings (1st to \_\_). Working Group 1 held \_\_ meetings and Working Group 2 held \_\_ meetings.
2. At the 2nd meeting, on 8 April 2013, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs opened the session.
3. At the same meeting, the Forum designated the Minister of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey, Veysel Eroğlu, as Co-Chair of the ministerial segment of the tenth session, by acclamation.
4. Also at the 2nd meeting, statements were made by the Chair of the session and the Co-Chair of the ministerial segment.
5. At the same meeting, the Prime Minister of Turkey, Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, addressed the Forum.
6. Also at the 2nd meeting, statements were made by the President of the Economic and Social Council and Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations, Néstor Osorio; the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs; the Assistant Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and Chair of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, Eduardo Rojas-Briales; and the Director of the secretariat of the Forum.
7. At the same meeting, the Forum viewed a short film on Turkish forestry that was produced on the occasion of the tenth session of the Forum.



## **B. Attendance**

8. In accordance with paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35, the Forum is composed of all States Members of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies, with full and equal participation. Representatives of the following States attended the session:

*[To be completed]*

9. The following United Nations offices and organs were represented:

*[To be completed]*

10. The following specialized agencies were represented:

*[To be completed]*

11. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented:

*[To be completed]*

12. The following major groups were represented:

*[To be completed]*

## **C. Election of officers**

13. At its 1st meeting, on 4 February 2011, the Forum elected, by acclamation, the following officers to the Bureau of its tenth session:

Srećko Juričić (Croatia)  
Mario Ruales Carranza (Ecuador)  
Shulamit Davidovich (Israel)  
Saiful Azam Martinus Abdullah (Malaysia)  
Anna M. C. Masinja (Zambia)

14. At its 2nd meeting, on 8 April 2013, the Forum agreed that Mario Ruales Carranza (Ecuador) would serve as Chair and Saiful Azam Martinus Abdullah (Malaysia) as Rapporteur.

## **D. Agenda and organization of work**

15. At its 2nd meeting, on 8 April 2013, the Forum adopted its provisional agenda for the session as contained in document E/CN.18/2013/1/Rev.1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Assessment of progress made on the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and towards the achievement of the four global objectives on forests.
4. Regional and subregional inputs.
5. Forests and economic development:
  - (a) Forest products and services;

- (b) National forest programmes and other sectoral policies and strategies;
  - (c) Reducing risks and impacts of disasters;
  - (d) Benefits of forests and trees to urban communities.
6. Emerging issues.
  7. Multi-stakeholder dialogue.
  8. Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests.
  9. Means of implementation for sustainable forest management.
  10. Forum Trust Fund.
  11. Other matters.
  12. Date and venue for the eleventh session of the Forum.
  13. Provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Forum.
  14. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its tenth session.
16. At the same meeting, the Forum approved its organization of work for the session, which was contained in an informal paper in English only.
17. Also at its 2nd meeting, the Forum was informed that round table 1, on forests and economic development, would be co-chaired by the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources of Ghana, Alhaji Inusah Fuseini, and the Deputy State Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture of Latvia, Arvids Ozols, and that round table 2, on the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, the post-2015 United Nations development agenda and the international arrangement on forests, would be co-chaired by the Ambassador for the Environment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France, Jean-Pierre Thébault, and the Under-Secretary-General for Environment, Energy, Science and Technology of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil, Luiz Alberto Figueiredo Machado.
18. Also at the same meeting, the Forum was informed that the Vice-Chairs, Shulamit Davidovich (Israel) and Anna M. C. Masinja (Zambia), would serve as Co-Chairs of Working Group 1, and that the Vice-Chairs, Srećko Juričić (Croatia) and Saiful Azam Martinus Abdullah (Malaysia), would serve as Co-Chairs of Working Group 2.
19. The Forum was further informed that Working Group 1 would consider agenda item 3 (Assessment of progress made on the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and towards the achievement of the four global objectives on forests), agenda item 4 (Regional and subregional inputs), agenda item 5 (Forests and economic development) and agenda item 8 (Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests), while Working Group 2 would consider agenda item 6 (Emerging issues) and agenda item 9 (Means of implementation for sustainable forest management).

## E. Documentation

*[To be completed]*