Dialogue on Forests and Rural Livelihoods

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The Forests Dialogue
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Syktyvkar, Komi Republic, Russia
Welcome

Meeting Co-Chairs

• Przemyslaw Majewski
  – Silver Tiaga (co-host)

• Peter Gardiner
  – Mondi (co-host)

• Bill Street
  – IAMAW

• Mikhail Karpachevskiy
  – Biodiversity Conservation Center
Sponsors

- Silver Tiaga
- Mondi
- World Bank
- World Business Council for Sustainable Development
- Ford Foundation
- Building and Woodworkers International
Introductions

• Name
• Organization

Logistics

• Lunch
• Need your CARD
Who We Are

Founding
• Civil Society and Private Sector Leaders

Mission
• MSD for leaders to pursue SFM, build trust, share learning and seek collaboration

Governance
• Steering Committee
• Initiative Co-Chairs

Secretariat
• Yale University
What We Do

Priority SFM Issues

- Forests and Climate
- Forests Rural Livelihoods
- Intensively Managed Planted Forests
- Small Forest Owners and SFM
- Illegal Logging and Forest Governance
- Forests and Biodiversity Conservation
- Forest Certification
Operating Principles

• Chatham House Rule
• Listen and seek to understand
• Be clear, be patient
• Strive for broad constructive solution oriented dialogue
• Not a negotiation
• Respect other perspectives
• Participate as individual, not as an organization
• Participants define and own the outcomes
Meeting Objectives

• Examine illustrative cases and identify obstacles to replication elsewhere

• Clarify the necessary roles, commitments and actions of stakeholders to realize the potential of commercial forestry to reduce poverty
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Understand specific issues such as:

- Tradeoffs related to mechanization vs traditional forestry
- Implications and opportunities of the new forest law
- New climate related opportunities and projects
- How local communities and the local work force interact with commercial forestry interests
- Costs and benefits of employees vs contractors
Today’s Program

9:30    Summary of Dialogues
        - Brian Milakovsky
        - Bill Street
        - Peter Gardiner
        - James Griffiths

11:00   Community Presentations from Udora and Pechora

13:00   Lunch

14:00   Presentation of Background Paper - Yuri Pautov

15:00   Economic Overview
        - Tamara Dmitrieva

16:30   Discussion on Drivers, Enabling Environment and Obstacles

18:00   Adjourn

19:00   Dinner
Tomorrow’s Program

08:30  Summary of Previous days work
09:00  Perspective of Forest Committee of Komi Republic - Vasili Obukhov
09:30  S.E.A.T – Andrey Samodelkin
10:00  Perspective of large forest enterprises - Anatoli Arteev
10:30  Perspective of the Social Council - Galina Knyazeva
11:00  Perspective of NGOs - Przemyslaw Majewski
12:00  Lunch
13:00  Discussion of Commonalities
14:00  Addressing Barriers and Capitalizing on Opportunities
15:30  Next Steps
17:00  Adjourn