Welcome to The Forests Dialogue's

Scoping Dialogue on the Exclusion and Inclusion of Women in the Forest Sector

22-24 September 2012 Kathmandu, Nepal





Program – Day 1

Saturday 22 September

Morning Co-Chair – Jeannette Gurung

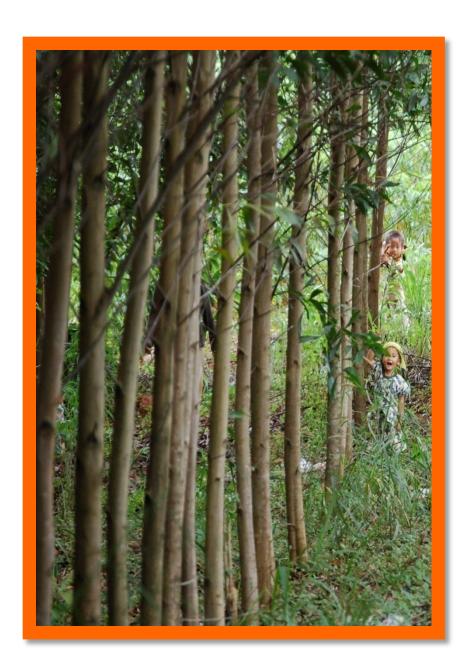
- Welcome from dialogue co-chairs
- Participant introductions
- TFD and initiative background, dialogue overview – Gary Dunning
- Presentation of scoping paper WOCAN
- Group Discussion: stakeholders perspectives on underlying causes for women's exclusion from the forestry sector
- Break
- Report Back and Plenary Discussion: identification of "fracture lines"

Introduction to The Forests Dialogue and the "Exclusion/Inclusion of Women" Dialogue

Gary DunningExecutive Director
The Forests Dialogue

21 September 2012 Kathmandu, Nepal





TFD's E&IW Dialogue

Meeting Co-Chairs

- Jeannette Gurung
- Leena Hytonen
- Bharati Pathak



















































The Forests Dialogue

Purpose

- Established in 2000 by NGO and Business Leaders
- Reduce conflict among stakeholders in the forest sector
- International platform and process to discuss key SFM and conservation issues
- Build mutual trust, enhanced understanding and commitment to change

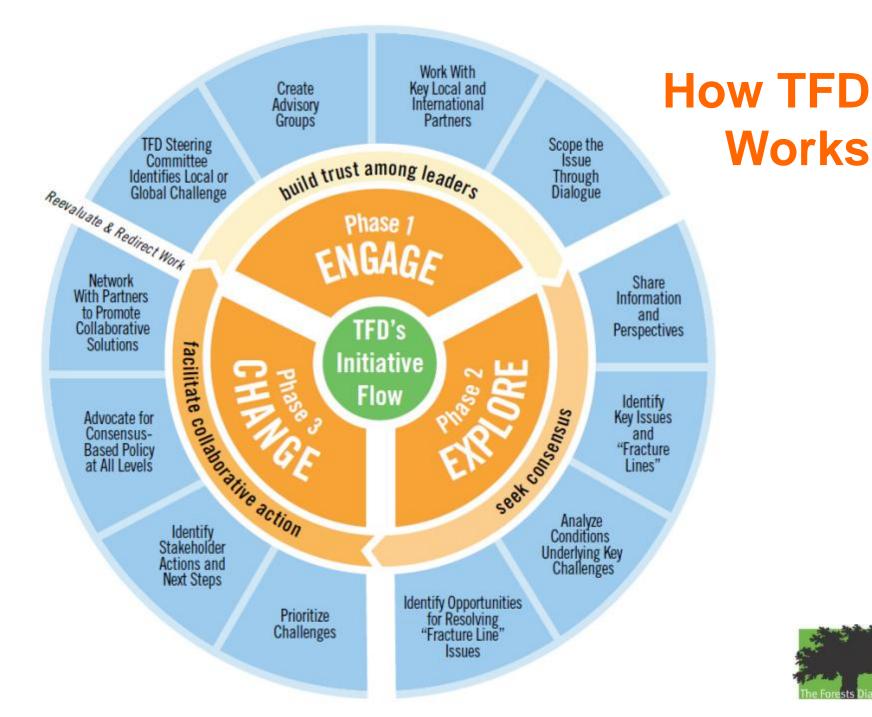
Structure

- Steering Committee
- Secretariat
- Network of Partners















TFD's Initiatives

Priority SFM Issues

- Investing in Locally Controlled Forestry
- Food, Fuel, Fibre and Forests
- Genetically Modified Trees
- Forests and Climate including: REDD+ Financing; REDD Readiness
- Free, Prior, and Informed Consent
- Forests & Poverty Reduction and Rural Livelihoods
- Intensively Managed Planted Forests
- Illegal Logging and Forest Governance
- Forests and Biodiversity Conservation
- Forest Certification





TFD's Process

TFD Operates under the Chatham House Rule

"Participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed".

Ground Rules

- Use mobiles and computers during breaks
- No video
- Pictures OK
- Use Name Tents





TFD's Process

Spirit of Participation

- Active listening
- Constructive, solution oriented interventions
- Participate as individual
- Help define and own the outcomes
- Facilitation "light"



The Exclusion and Inclusion of Women in the Forest Sector

Despite decades of research and the existence of overwhelming evidence of the important role women play in forest use, management and protection, women are largely excluded from the forest sector on a number of levels. We need to understand those causes to be able to address them successfully.



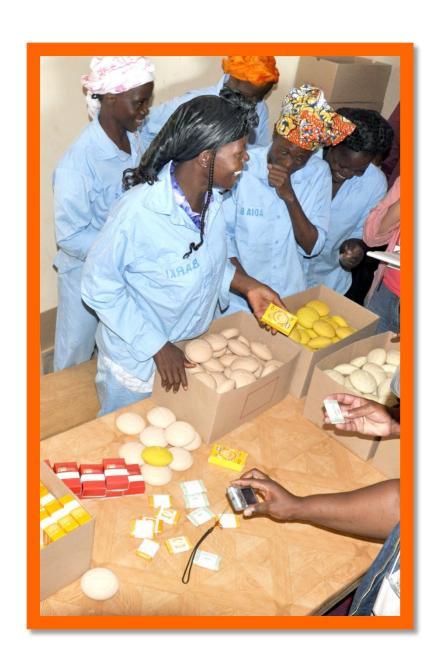
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REDD+ Readiness

 Key conclusion: the participation of marginalized groups such as Indigenous Peoples and women must be institutionalized by building capacity among their leaders.

Free Prior, and Informed Consent

- Within IP and community groups, women's participation may be weak.
- To what extent can FPIC's principles be utilized to strengthen women's right,



Origins of the E&IW Dialogue

ILCF - Burkina Faso Women's cooperative

- Formed around traditional practices of shared housework and raising children;
- Trust and hard work basis of the cooperative;
- Men adapted to changing roles;
- Open to change and develop a unique business structure where women hired business and marketing managers.



The Objectives

- To create a better understanding of the perceived advantages of and the constraints to including women in the governance of natural resource management;
- To identify areas of agreement as well as disagreement and further develop recommendations that address specific stakeholder questions around gender and forestry;
- To draw up mutually agreed upon recommendations on how to include women at all levels in ways that can benefit forest-dependent communities and climate change interventions.



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