

Welcome to The Forests Dialogue's

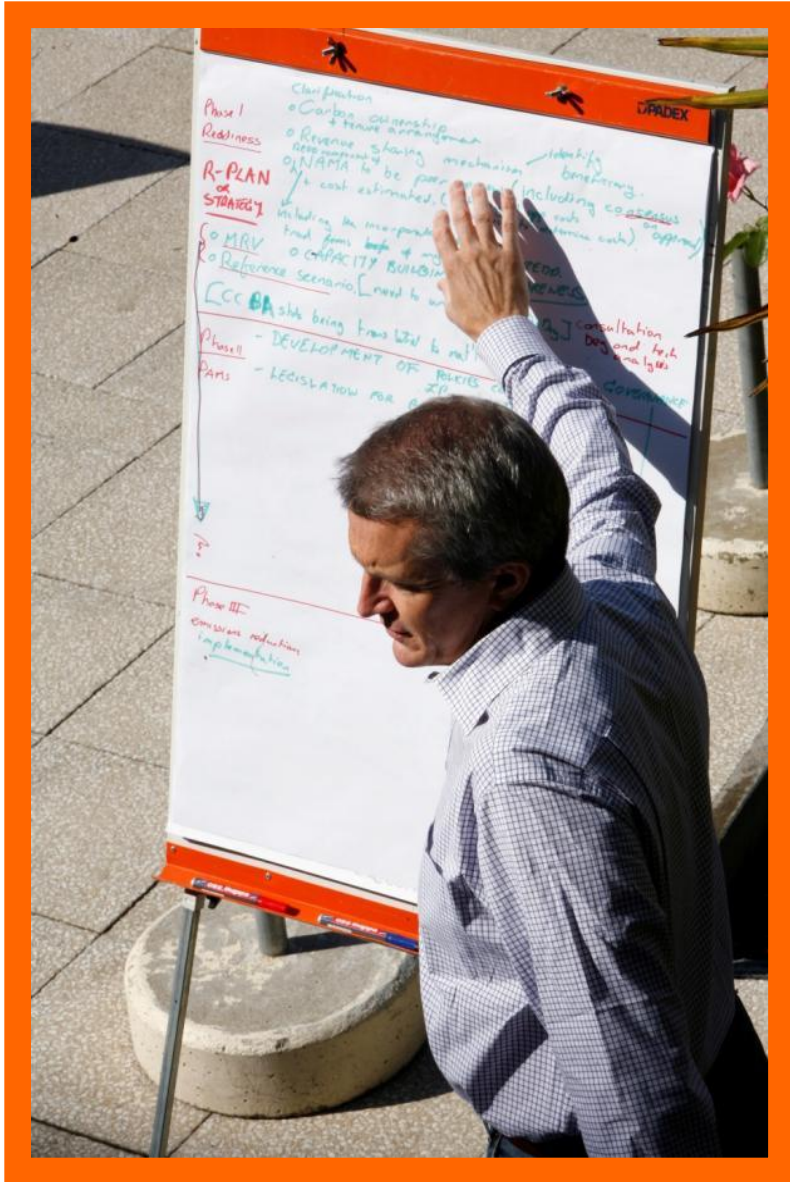
Scoping Dialogue on Genetically Modified Trees

17-18 October 2012

Gland, Switzerland



Today's Program



Wednesday, 17 October

Morning Chair: *Chris Buss*

08:30 Welcome - *Poul Engberg-Pedersen*

- Introductions
- TFD and dialogue background
– *Gary Dunning*

09:15 Presentation of scoping paper
– *Peter Kanowski*

10:30 Stakeholder presentations

11:30 Plenary: Reactions/reflections

12:30 Lunch

Afternoon Chair: *Paivi Salpakivi-Salomaa*

13:30 Plenary continued

14:30 Breakout groups

16:15 Breakout group reports

17:00 Adjourn

19:15 Group Dinner: Croix Vert



TFD & the Genetically Modified Trees Dialogue

Gary Dunning
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Welcome

Co-Chairs

- Chris Buss (IUCN)
- Peter Kanowski (ANU)
- Päivi Salpakivi-Salomaa (UPM)

The Forests Dialogue

Purpose

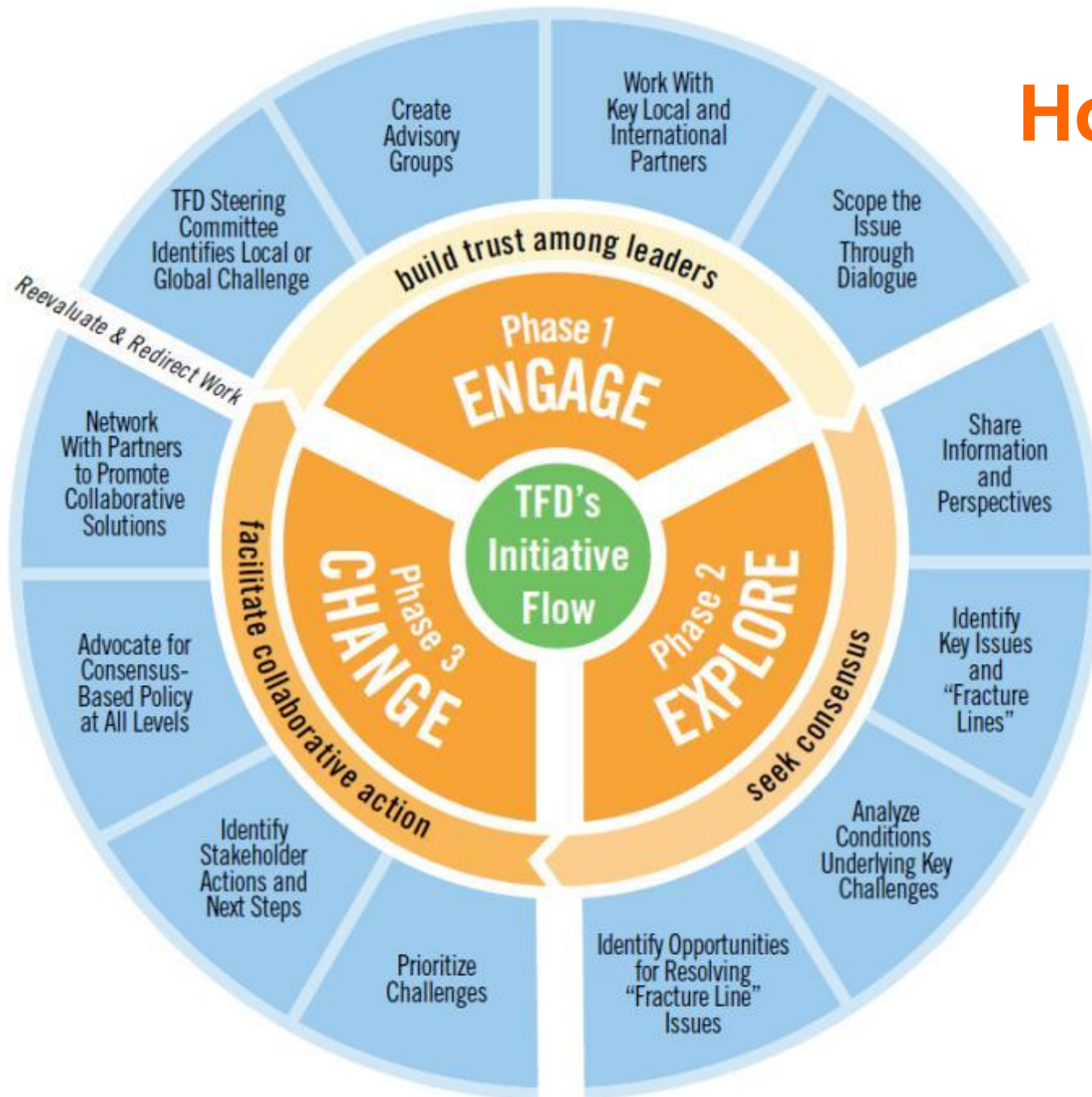
- Established in 2000 by NGO and Business Leaders
- Reduce conflict among stakeholders in the forest sector
- International platform and process to discuss key SFM and conservation issues
- Build mutual trust, enhanced understanding and commitment to change

Structure

- Steering Committee
- Secretariat
- Network of Partners



How TFD Works



TFD Initiatives

Priority SFM Issues

- Genetically Modified Trees
- Food, Fuel, Fiber and Forests
- Forests and Climate
- Free, Prior, and Informed Consent
- Investing in Locally Controlled Forestry
- Forests & Poverty Reduction and Rural Livelihoods
- Intensively Managed Planted Forests
- Illegal Logging and Forest Governance
- Forests and Biodiversity Conservation
- Forest Certification



Purpose of TFDs “Scoping”

- Intended to be an initial foray into a challenging, forest related issue
- Invited participants are asked to share their experience and “weigh-in” on TFDs ability to positively address “fracture lines”
- Opportunity to listen, learn and share broad range of perspectives
- Not driving toward solutions...focus on understanding



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

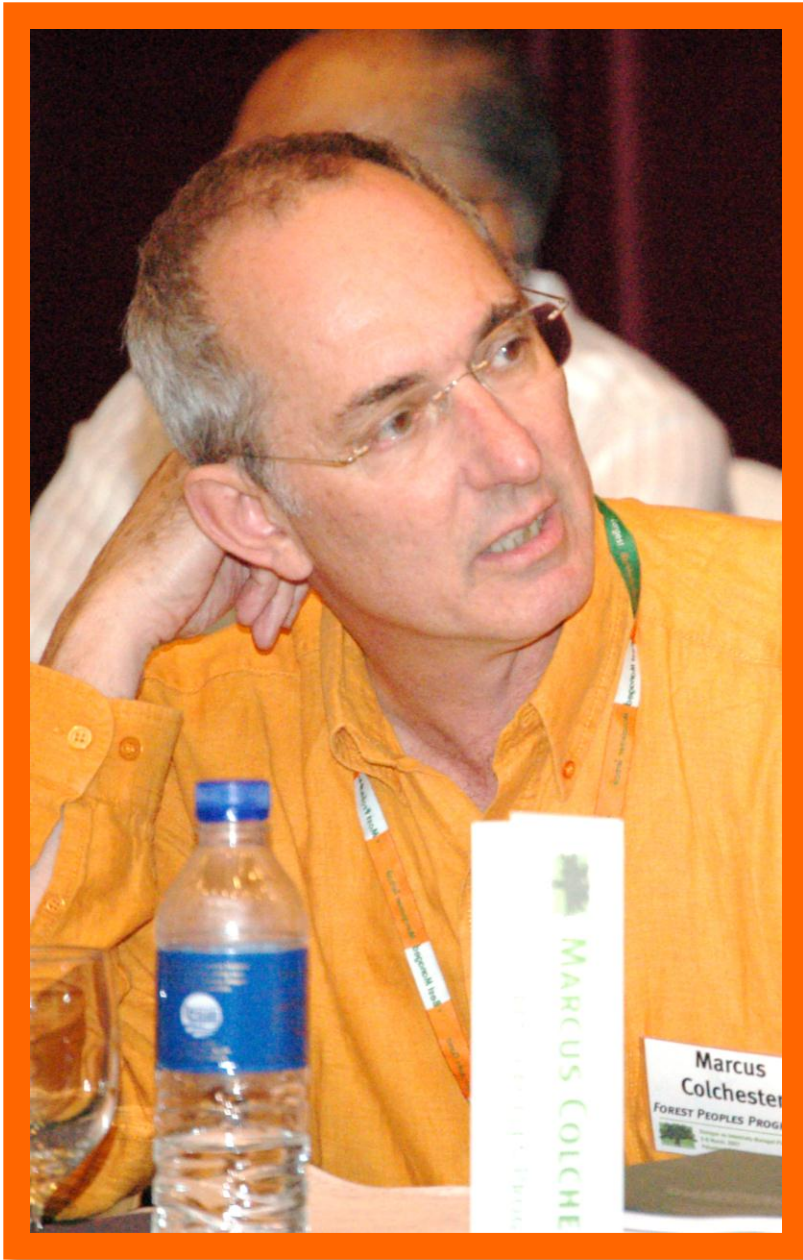
- Use mobiles and computers during breaks
- No video
- Pictures OK
- Use Name Tents



TFD's Process

Spirit of Participation

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



Genetically Modified Trees

“there is a window of opportunity, at a stage when there has been little deployment of GM trees, for open and productive dialogue about substantive issues associated with their further development and possible use”

Origins of the GMT Dialogue

IMPF Initiative 2005-2008

- 4 dialogues, 140 people
- IMPFs increasing worldwide
- Scale, local context and multiple benefits key
- Strong CSR, workforce empowerment, FPIC, and conflict resolution
- Integrated land-use planning
- Use of principles and guidelines (FAO, WWF)
- Further dialogue on critical issues



Origins of the GMT Dialogue

Other TFD Initiatives

- 4Fs – to reach landscape objectives will further intensification be needed?
- FPIC – consent must be sought from affected stakeholders
- ILCF – do GM Trees offer viable livelihoods options for forest communities or are the risks too high?



First GMT Scoping Dialogue

November 2011 – New Haven
26 Participants

Key Themes

- Social issues
 - Relationship of people and trees; who pays, impacted, benefits; addressing divergent values
- Knowledge issues
 - Mega trends vs known impacts
- Governance issues

No clear indication on interest
direction of future dialogue



Objectives of this Dialogue

- To share knowledge and build understanding of the range of issues and perspectives on genetically modified trees (GMT);
- To share information and knowledge on the potential economic, environmental and social impacts of GMT;
- To identify key areas of agreement and disagreement, and to identify the potential role and focus of any further dialogue.



Thank You!

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