



# The Forests Dialogue

## Dialogue on Forests and Climate

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# Generic Considerations

- Need for briefing papers rather than research papers
- Briefing papers should be short (2 pages + pictures)
- Should influence decision making processes and go beyond forest leaders forum
- Generic overview brief on SFM and other key themes (Synthesis) supported by thematic papers on: Governance,, tenure and use rights, indigenous peoples and local communities, what the forest sector can do compared to other offsets, implications of other sector policies and linkages to reduce deforestation, drivers of forest loss
- Structure of papers: what is it, what works, what are the risks, what should be done?
- REDD as part of the bigger picture

# Briefing Theme 1: Overview paper on Forest and Climate Change

- What forests can deliver: functions and services of forests beyond climate
- What needs to be addressed to deliver these services
- Concept of SFM
- Cannot substitute need for reducing fossil energy but is part of the global solution
- Range of forest related climate actions: mitigation (REDD + Afforestation/Reforestation), Adaptation, Restoration (combined mitigation and adaptation)
- Link to detailed briefing papers: Governance, tenure and use rights, indigenous peoples and local communities, what the forest sector can do compared to other offsets, implications of other sector policies and linkages to reduce deforestation, drivers of forest loss

# Topics of Briefing Papers

- Overview Paper:
- Governance:
- SFM
- Cross-sectoral
- Land tenure and rights,
- IPs, forest dependent communities:  
Drivers of forest loss

# Process for preparation of briefing papers:

- Thematic papers first draft: mid July
- To be ready by mid-August
- Lead author for preparation of each paper, volunteers for additional input
- Steering Committee to review and match papers
- Potential authors:  
Minii, Kaninke, Marcus Colchester (IP/forest dependent people + tenure/rights), Proforest [Chatham House?] (overview paper, governance, SFM, drivers of deforestation)