

The Forests Dialogue (TFD)

Scoping Dialogue on Free, Prior, and Informed Consent

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Welcome to TFDs

FPIC Dialogue

Meeting Co-Chairs

- Marcus Colchester
- Peter Gardiner

TFD

- Gary Dunning
- Teresa Sarroca

Introductions

- Name
- Organization
- Your expectations
(one short sentence)



Initiative Objectives

- Share understanding of the basis for FPIC among varied stakeholders including indigenous peoples, forestry companies, development agencies and relevant government bodies;
- Examine and learn lessons from concrete situations where consent-based approaches have been, or are being, used;
- Make mutually agreeable recommendations for how application of FPIC approach can benefit affected parties.



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- 1999
- Civil Society and Private Sector Leaders

Purpose Core Values Mission

Structure

- Steering Committee
- Secretariat



TFD's Purpose, Values and Mission

Purpose

- TFD was created to support sustainable forest management, conserve global forests and improve local livelihoods by giving all people a voice in the use of their forest resources

Core Values

- Forest related conflict harms forests and stakeholders
- Dialogue, engagement, inclusion is a key means for all stakeholders to have a say on what happens in/on/to their forests
- Sustainable Forest Management and conservation
- Trust, shared learning and dialogue build sustainable, collaborative solutions

Mission

- To address significant obstacles to sustainable forest management through a constructive dialogue process among all key stakeholders.
- TFD's approach is based on mutual trust, enhanced understanding and commitment to change.
- TFDs dialogues are designed to build relationships and to spur collaborative action on the highest priority issues facing the world's forests



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TFD Initiatives

Priority SFM Issues

- Free, Prior, and Informed Consent
- Forests and Climate
- 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



How TFD's Initiatives Work

Dialogue Phase

- **Scoping Dialogue**
- Experiential Field Dialogue
- Wrap-Up Workshop

Outputs

- Co-Chairs Summaries
- TFD Reviews
- Commissioned Papers
- Consensus-based recommendations /guides/ suggestions.

Outcomes

- Trust among leaders
- Next Phase of Engagement
- Meetings with decision makers
- Coalitions
- Impact on policy



Highlights



- Since 2002, TFD has conducted 35 international Multi-stakeholder Dialogues (MSD)
- From 2000-2010 TFD has had the leadership of over 60 Steering Committee members
- Since 2002, TFD has engaged nearly 2000 participants from all over the world
- Since 2004, 8 major publications released
- At least 2 ongoing and independent TFD spin off dialogues focused on national issues (Brazil, Malaysia) and numerous continuing local dialogues (Bolivia, Russia, Nepal, Indonesia, Ghana, Guatemala) as a direct result of TFDs Initiatives.

Participants Pact

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".



Participants Pact

Spirit of Participation

- Active Listening
- Constructive, solution oriented Interventions
- Participate as individual
- Help define and own the outcomes



Today's Program

Tuesday 13 April

8:30 Welcome from Dean Peter Crane

Introduction from Co-Chairs

– Peter Gardiner and Marcus Colchester

TFD and Initiative Background

– Gary Dunning

Overview of dialogue format and facilitation

– Peter Gardiner

9:15 Presentation of scoping paper

– Marcus Colchester

9:45 Making FPIC effective: some cases

10:45 Break

11:00 Discussion: Issues Identification/
Stakeholder Perspectives

12:30 Lunch

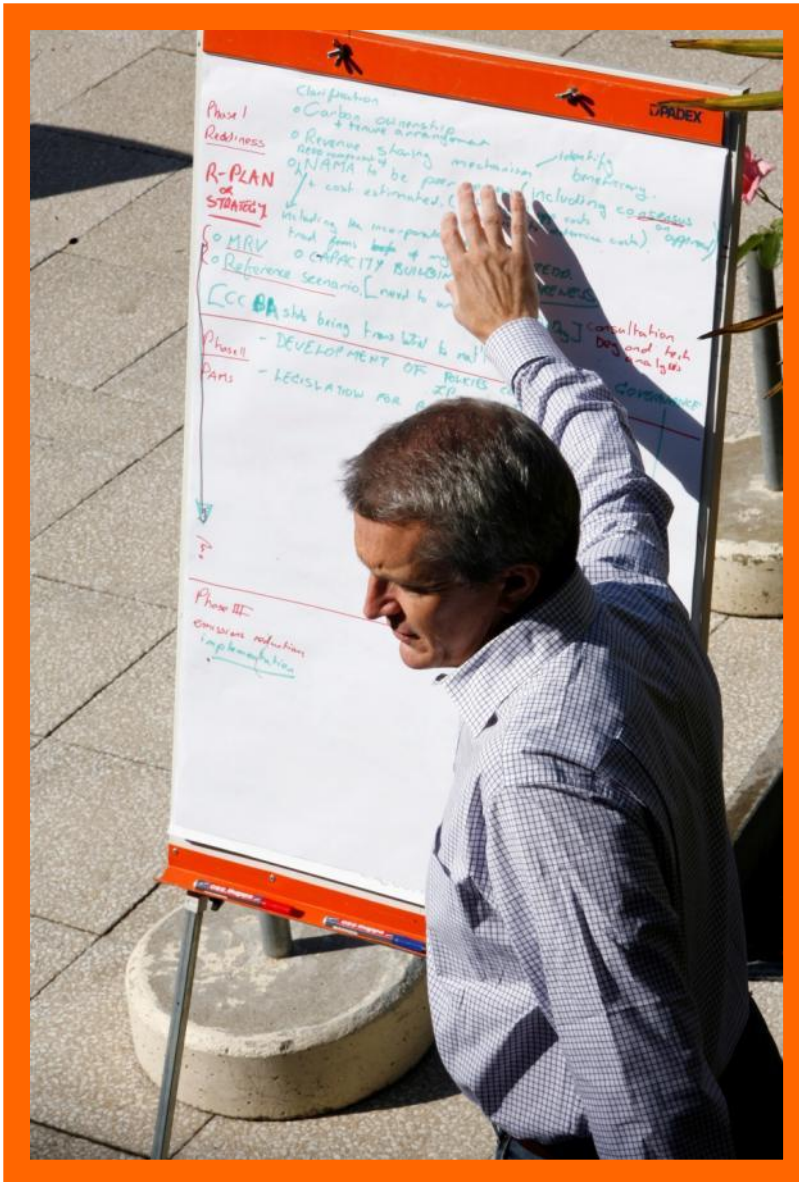
13:30 Discussion: Convergence on key issues,
organization of working group tasks

15:00 Breakout Groups

16:00 Break

17:00 Adjourn for day and return to hotel

19:00 FPIC Group Dinner



Thank You!

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