The project **Building global capacity to increase transparency in the forest sector (CBIT-Forest)**, aims to strengthen the institutional and technical capacities of developing countries to meet the enhanced transparency requirements of the Paris Agreement, responding to Article 13 and contributing to tackling climate change.

Information on the project is available here: http://www.fao.org/3/ca7424en/ca7424en.pdf

Read more about the project on FAO's homepage here: http://www.fao.org/in-action/boosting-transparency-forest-data/en/

**PROJECT DETAILS**

See in GEF website

**PROJECT OUTCOMES**

Relevant national institutions responsible for forest-related data are able to report and respond to the transparency requirements thanks to improved institutional capacity.

Enhanced technical capacity of governmental counterparts in pilot countries in reporting, accuracy and consistency of forest-related data.

Increased knowledge sharing among transparency practitioners and experts.

**STAKEHOLDERS**

Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) network:

- Global Forest Resources Assessment National Correspondents (FRA-NC)
- Instituto Forestal (INFOR) (FRAAG)
- USDA Forest Service National Office (FRA-AG)
- All-Russian Research Institute for Silviculture and Mechanization of Forestry (FRA-AG)
- European Commission – JRC (FRA-AG)
- International Finance Corporation – World Bank Group (FRA-AG)
- UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre (FRA-AG)
- UNFCCC (FRA-AG)
- FOREST EUROPE (FRA-AG + CFRQ)
- UNECE Trade and Timber Division (FRA-AG + CFRQ)
- Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (FRA-AG)
- Global Forest Observation Initiative (GFOI)

(Note: FRA Advisory Group (FRA-AG); Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire (CFRQ))

Candidate pilot countries:

- Asia - Thailand
- Asia - Laos
- Africa – Cote d’Ivoire
- Africa – Uganda
- LAC - Guatemala
- LAC – Honduras

International institutions:

- CBIT Global Coordination Platform (UNEP/UNDP)
- FAO CBIT – AFOLU global project
Indigenous peoples and local communities organizations:

- IPs Representative 1 - Asia
- IPs Representative 2 - LAC
- Rights & Resources Initiative
- Rainforest Alliance US

Civil society:

- International Forestry Students Association (IFSA)
- Wageningen University and Research (WUR)
- Women organizing for change in agriculture & natural resource management (WOCAN)
- Megaflorestais

**KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT APPROACHES**

The CBIT-Forest project’s component 3 ‘Sharing knowledge and improving coordination to respond to the ETF’ addresses knowledge management. This includes among other the identification, documentation and sharing of case studies and/or best practices as well as the development of infographic booklets. More details can be found in the project document under component 3.

**MEET THE FOCAL POINT OF THE PROJECT**

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## Indicators on Project Results

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PROGRESS
(To be provided by the focal point of CBIT project)

STATUS OF PROJECT OUTPUTS AND ACTIVITIES

1.1 Relevant national institutions responsible for forest-related data are able to report and respond to the transparency requirements thanks to improved institutional capacity.

1.1.1 Upgraded Global FRA reporting platform to improve access to forest-related data, support transparency-related activities and tracking process of NDCs designed and implemented.

1.1.2 Global set of knowledge and training material on forest-related ETF package developed for and accessed by policymakers and technical experts in different languages and with different focus.

1.1.3 Regional high-level awareness raising and capacity building with key national stakeholders organized and executed.

2.1 Enhanced technical capacity of governmental counterparts in pilot countries in reporting, accuracy and consistency of forest-related data.

2.1.1 A global forest field observation repository to assist efforts to measure and report in compliance with the ETF developed for integration to the global forest-related platform.

2.1.2 Technical Regional/ National capacity built of relevant focal points in pilot countries on national forest monitoring systems for improved integration and consistency with international reporting processes (NDCs, REDD+).

2.1.3 Roadmap in pilot countries on key gaps and barriers for the continued enhancement of national and global forest-related transparency identified and presented.

3.1 Increased knowledge sharing among transparency practitioners and experts.

3.1.1 Best practices and case studies on successful transparency-related activities, identified, documented and shared.

3.1.2 Outreach and communication products developed, published and disseminated.
No documents uploaded yet
Webinar: Open and transparent - forest data setting the course for green future under the Paris Agreement  
15 July 2:30PM to 4:00PM - 2020, Europe/Rome  
Online

Webinar: Forest data and transparency: ‘Zoom’ in on Costa Rica’s experience  
21 July 4:00PM to 5:00PM - 2020, Europe/Rome  
online

Webinar: Forest data and transparency - ‘Zoom in ‘ on the experience of the Democratic Republic of the Congo  
23 September 2:30PM to 3:30PM - 2020, Europe/Rome  
online