



THE FORESTS DIALOGUE

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Dialogue on Forests and Climate

1-2 April 2008 – Washington, DC, USA

Location

World Resources Institute
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Dialogue Objectives

- ➔ Summarize the current treatment of forests in the existing climate change regime and identify major proposals for change;
- ➔ Identify current fracture lines and tension that has emerged between stakeholders as a result of existing and proposed policy mechanisms to include various aspects of forests within climate strategies;
- ➔ Identify ways in which stakeholders can work together to influence forest and climate policy frameworks and decisions that affect the broader forest community.

Dialogue Co-Chairs

Gerhard Dieterle – World Bank

James Griffiths – WBCSD

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Dialogue Agenda

1 April

- 9:00 Welcome, Introductions, TFD Background – **Jonathan Lash, Co-Chairs, Gary Dunning**
- 9:30 Introduction to DC dialogue – **Co-Chairs**
- Dialogue Objectives and Agenda
 - Process and Outcomes
 - Presentation of Co-Chairs Summary from Bali
- 10:00 Scene Setter – **Jürgen Blaser**
- Current treatments/situation of climate change regime post Bali
 - What current opportunities and challenges do the framework negotiations on climate change and forests present for the forest community?
 - Social

- Environmental
 - Economic
- 11:00 Current Status of the “Big” Forest and Climate Issues - **Jürgen Blaser**
(*followed by discussion on stakeholder positions and roles after each theme, moderated by the **Co-Chairs***)
- Afforestation and reforestation
 - REDD
 - Bioenergy
 - Agroforestry
 - Other Key issues?
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Discussion Continued
- 15:00 Break
- 15:30 Key Messages Development – **Co-Chairs**
- Introduction and viewing of “A Convenient Truth” – **Tim Rollinson**
 - Discussion/Agreement that forest leaders statement is correct way forward and commitment through September
- 16:00 Breakout Group Work – By Sector (*Corporate, Environmental Groups, Social and Community, Governmental and Inter-Governmental, Research, Other*)
- What do forest stakeholders broadly agree regarding “Big Ideas” for message
 - What do forest stakeholders broadly disagree regarding “Big Ideas” for message
- 17:30 Each group report back to full group summarizing discussions
- 18:30 Adjourn

2 April

- 9:00 Present the draft “discussion starter” based on group work compilation – **Co-Chairs**
- Discussion
- 10:00 Sector breakout groups to review, comment and further develop discussion starter
- 11:00 Report Back
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:00 “Big Idea” breakout groups to review, comment and further develop
- 14:30 Report Back
- 15:30 Process for moving forward
- 16:30 Wrap up
- 17:00 Adjourn

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