



**United Nations Environment Programme
World Conservation Monitoring Centre**

MISSION REPORT

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| Distribution: Climate, SMT | Name of person(s) that undertook mission: Valerie Kapos |
| | Period (including travel days): 28 September-12 October |
| | Projects: 2650.07 UN-REDD |
| | Institution(s) or Meeting(s) and Venue(s): Collaborative Partnership on Forests meeting |
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| File(s): | Objective(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend a meeting of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests |

Brief summary:

Collaborative Partnership on Forests: At the request of Tim Christophersen I attended this meeting on behalf of UNEP (previous UNEP presence was through Niklas Hagelberg, who has changed positions). There was considerable discussion of the outcomes of the New York Climate Summit and the Declaration on Forests, including expression of disquiet from many quarters about the process by which the declaration had been put together (little opportunity for advance review, etc), its language (focus on natural forest) and the significance of those who had not signed it (e.g. Brazil). Apparently donor countries are concerned about the lack of involvement of the forest sector. The explicit links between forest goals and agriculture were both welcomed and seen as a major challenge. Other topics discussed included: the role of forests in the SDGs – inclusion of forests both goals 6 and 15, with pressure from the Africa group led by Gabon key to getting forests in goal 15 title, and the problems generated by a 2020 rather than 2030 timeframe for forests; plans for UNFF11 – CPF members strongly

encouraged to participate in AHEG in NY in January; contribution of the CPF to the review of the International Arrangement on Forests; the World Forestry Congress, Durban, 7-11 Sept 2015 - themes include 'accounting for the multiple benefits of forest' 'integrating forests and other land uses' 'building resilience with forests'; Global Landscapes Forum; the Wangari Mathai Award – UNEP's contribution of \$5K very welcome, transfer will be needed urgently; International Day of Forests – as a result of the latest CPF communicators meeting this will be themed around climate change; CIFOR may organise a conference on financing for sustainable landscapes including forests and REDD+ @SBSTA in Bonn. Next CPF meeting in Lima – likely 8th December.

Recommendation(s)/Action(s) to be taken:

Follow up action:

Responsible Time-frame (by)

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