REDD+ Hour: REDD+ and Biodiversity

30 November 15 :30 – 17 :30 EU Pavilion

This session will explore the latest developments with regards to REDD+ and biodiversity. Specific topics will include safeguards for biodiversity, tools for incorporating biodiversity conservation into REDD+, and monitoring of biodiversity as part of REDD+. Key developments from the COP10 CBD negotiations will be covered in a presentation by Tim Christophersen, Forest Programme Officer, CBD Secretariat. Barney Dickson, Head of Climate Change and Biodiversity, UNEP-WCMC will discuss the latest tools that have been developed for mapping and monitoring biodiversity in REDD+ pilot countries. Michael Bucki, DG Clima from the European Commission will present on European views on REDD-plus safeguards. A country representative (TBD) will provide the perspective of implementing REDD+ at the national level and the implications for biodiversity. Tim Kasten, Deputy Director of the Division for Environmental Policy, UNEP will moderate the event which will have ample time for questions, answers and discussions following the panelists' presentations.

Mini- REDD+ Hour Open Discussion Session

Title: TBD DRAFT

Location: Ecosystems and Climate Change Pavilion Room in Moon Palace

Time: TBD

Concept: Many developing country delegations have expressed a need for technical support on key issues such as REDD+ at international negotiations. This REDD+ Open session would be structured to provide negotiators an opportunity to discuss with REDD+ technical experts and practitioners, the latest developments on the ground and lessons learned from current experiences on REDD+. The session would last for an hour and a half and would have 2-3 REDD+ experts available in the meeting room to answer any questions that a delegation member might have. There would not be any presentations or panel as it would be a more informal opportunity for discussion and specific questions and answers from negotiators about what they wish to discuss.