

Forest Policies for the 21st Century

Sixth Executive Forest Policy Course

27 May - 6 June 2013, Thimphu, Bhutan

Organized by: Asia-Pacific Forest Policy Think Tank

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Day 1: Monday 27 May:

- Opening ceremony
- Module 1 : Societal changes and crafting forest policies for the future

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.30	Opening Ceremony Welcome remarks Introductory remarks Keynote address Vote of thanks	Sangay Wangchuk Patrick Durst Chief guest Sim Heok Choh
09.30- 0945	<i>Coffee break</i>	
09.45 – 10.45	Icebreaker: Getting to know one another Introduction to the course: objectives, structure, and expectations	Karma Tempheh/Jennifer Conje CTS Nair/ Jennifer Conje
10.45 – 12.30	Introduction – Drivers of change and societal changes in the Asia-Pacific	Patrick Durst
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30 – 15.00	Societal changes and forest policies	CTS Nair
15.00 - 1530	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15.30 – 17.00	Group discussion on change drivers and their impacts	CTS Nair/ Patrick Durst/ Karma Tempheh/ Jennifer
17.00 – 18.00	Discussion on course work: Presentation of the problems	Sim Heok Choh
19.00 – 21.00	Welcome dinner	



Day 2: Tuesday 28 May:

Module 2: The policy process

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 1	
09.15 – 10.30	Policy formulation process: The theory	Jennifer Conje
10.30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 – 12.30	Alternative measures of societal progress: Gross National Happiness	Dasho Karma Ura
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30 – 15.00	Common problems in forest policy formulation	Patrick Durst/ Jennifer Conje
15.00 – 16.00	Yoga	John
15.30 – 17.30	Country experience sharing on forest policy formulation	Patrick Durst/ Sim Heok Choh
17.30 – 18.30	Discussion on course work topics	Sim H-C/CTS Nair/ Jennifer Conje/ Patrick Durst

Day 3: Wednesday 29 May:

• **Module 3: Production of wood and other products**

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 2	
09.15 – 10.30	Trends in the production, processing and trade of wood products	CTS Nair
10.30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 – 12.30	FLEGT and cross border trade in the South Asian region: Challenges and opportunities	TR Manoharan
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch break</i>	
13.30 – 15.00	Non-wood forest products and forest policies	CTS Nair/ Pasang
15.00 – 15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15.30 - 17.30	Woodfuel: What future?	Jennifer Conje/ CTS Nair
17.30 - 18.30	Drafting policy briefs	Sim H-C/CTS Nair/ Jennifer Conje

Day 4: Thursday 30 May:

Module 4: International agreements and forest policies

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 3	
09.15 – 10:30	International agreements and national forest policies	Jennifer Conje
10:30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:00 – 12.30	Rio+20, Green economy and national forest policies	CTS Nair
12:30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30 – 15.00	Debate on impact of international / regional agreements: Do they have any positive impact?	Sangay/ Sim H-C/ Jennifer Conje/ CTS Nair
15.00 – 16.00	<i>Yoga</i>	<i>John</i>
16.00 – 17.30	Group work: Drafting reports on the implications of international agreements on national forest policies	Jennifer Conje/ CTS Nair/ Sim H-C
17.30 – 18.30	Preparation of briefing notes on international agreements and its implications on national policies addressed to the Prime Minister/ Minister for Environment & Forests	Sim H-C/ Jennifer Conje/ CTS Nair

Day 5: Friday 31 May:

Module 5: Effective communication in building consensus on forest policies

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 4	
09.15 – 10.30	Secrets of effective communications.	Nigel Sizer
10:30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 – 12.00	Secrets of effective communications (Contd)	Nigel Sizer
12.00 – 13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30 – 15.00	Social networks and media: Potential impacts on forestry	Jennifer Conje/CTS Nair/Sim H-C
15.00 – 15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15.30 – 17.30	Emerging revolution in forest monitoring and information	Nigel Sizer
17.30 – 18.30	Preparation of policy briefs - Course assignments assistance	CTS Nair/ Jennifer Conje/ Sim H-C

Day 6: Saturday 1 June:

- **Module 6: Governance, accountability and transparency in the forest sector**
- **Module 7: Institutions and implementation of forest policies**

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 5	
09.15 – 10.30	Challenges in reforming forestry institutions	Eva Muller/ CTS Nair
10.30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 – 12.30	Critical issues in forest governance	Nigel Sizer
12.30 – 13.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13.30 – 14.15	Governance in forestry: FLEGT in the Asia-Pacific	Eva Muller
14.15 – 15.00	Emerging issues in FLEGT	Aimi Lee
15.00 – 16.00	Yoga	John
16.00 – 17.30	The Bonn Challenge: re-greening and restoration – opportunities and challenges in Asia	Nigel Sizer
17.30 – 18.30	Group work: Assessment of forestry institutions-	CTS Nair/ Eva Muller/ Sim H-C/ Udhayan

Day 7: Sunday 2 June: Field trip

Timing	Programme	Remarks
08.30	Leave Hotel for field trip	
09.45	Arrive at Silvicultural Operation site at Hongtsho <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Briefing about the silviculture operation - Visit operation site - Discussions 	Kinley Dorji, Thimphu Division
10.30	Leave the Silvicultural Operation site	
11.15	Arrive at Royal Botanical Garden at Lamperi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Briefing about the Garden - Video show - Walk inside the Garden - Discussions 	Kezang Tshering
12.30	<i>Lunch at Royal Botanical Garden</i>	
12.45	Leave for Thinley Gang village	
13.30	Arrive in the Village <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Briefing about the village and human-wildlife conflict - Interaction with villagers 	Kinley Geog Forestry Extension Officer
15.00	Tea in the Village	
16.00	Leave Thinley Gang Village for Thimphu	
18.00	Arrive at Hotel	

Day 8: Monday 3 June:

Module 8: Social issues and forest policies

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 6	
09.15 – 10.30	Defining social issues in the context of forest management	Yurdi Yasmi
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break	
11.00 – 12.30	Emerging conflicts over forests as a major social issue in Asia	Yurdi Yasmi
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
13.30 – 15.00	Policy responses to forest conflicts	Yurdi Yasmi/ CTS Nair
15.00 – 1600	Yoga	John
16.00 – 17.00	Managing forest conflicts	Group work
17.00- 18.30	Facing the crowd – dealing with human-wildlife conflicts - Role playing session	Yurdi Yasmi/ Jennifer Conje

Day 9: Tuesday 4 June:

Module 9: Provision of ecological services and forest policies

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 8	
09:15 – 10.30	Case studies on provision of ecological services	Jennifer Conje
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 12.30	Valuation and payment for ecological services: Opportunities and challenges	CTS Nair
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
13.30 - 1530	Carbon markets, REDD+ and national forest policies – Facilitated discussion	CTS Nair
1530 - 1600	Coffee break	
1600 – 17:30	Preparation of policy briefs	Jennifer Conje/CTS Nair

Day 10: Wednesday 5 June:

- **Module 10: Analysis of national forest policies**

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 09.15	Review of topics addressed on Day 9	
09.15 – 10.30	Are forest policies are becoming irrelevant?	CTS Nair
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee Break	
11.00 – 12.30	An overview of the 6 th Forest Policy Course: What we have covered, what has been learnt and what more needs to be addressed?	CTS Nair
12.30 - 1300	Presentation of course work by participants departing on 6 June	
13.00 – 13.30	Lunch	
Afternoon	FREE	

Day 11: Thursday 6 June:

- **Presentation of course work**
- **Course evaluation**
- **Closing ceremony**

Time	Agenda	Presenters/ Facilitators:
09.00 – 10.30	Presentation of policy briefs	CTS Nair/ Karma Temphele
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee Break	
11.00 – 12.30	Presentation of policy briefs	CTS Nair/ Karma Temphele
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch	
13.30 – 14.30	Presentation of policy briefs	CTS Nair/ Karma Temphele
14.30 – 15.00	Course evaluation	CTS Nair/ Sangay Wangchuk
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break	
15.30 – 16.00	Closing function	Chadho Tenzin/ Sangay Wangchuk/ CTS Nair
1900 - 2030	Farewell dinner	

Day 12: Friday 7 June: Departure of participants and resource persons