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### International Conference on Forests for Food Security and Nutrition

The International Conference on Forests for Food Security and Nutrition was organized by FAO in partnership with Bioversity International, the Center for International Forestry Research, the World Agroforestry Centre and the World Bank and held at FAO headquarters on 13–15 May 2013. This technical meeting was attended by more than 400 participants, comprising experts from

governments, civil-society organizations, indigenous and other local communities, donors and international organizations in more than 100 countries. A summary of discussions was tabled and commented on by participants in the final plenary session.

The next edition of *Unasylva* will feature articles based on conference presentations, discussions and background information.



*Above: Gabriel Tchango, Minister of Water and Forests, Gabon, speaks at the opening session of the International Conference on Forests for Food Security and Nutrition*

*Left: Beneficiaries of the FAO Acacia Tree Project in Senegal hold a village meeting on gum Arabic, an income-earning product from trees. Training in the management of sustainable forest enterprises can help communities, particularly women and youth, gain access to equitable value-chains and improve their food security and nutrition*

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