

27th Session of the Committee on Forestry

Item 8.6 Decisions and recommendations of FAO Bodies of interest to the Committee

This agenda item provides a report on the decisions and recommendations of the FAO Bodies of interest to the Committee on Forestry, including:

- Decisions and recommendations of the 43rd Session of the FAO Conference;
- Decisions and recommendations of the 171st, 172nd and 174th Sessions of the FAO Council;
- Decisions and recommendations of the 137th Session of the Programme Committee;
- Decisions and recommendations of the 118th Session of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters;
- Decisions and recommendations of the 28th Session of the Committee on Agriculture (COAG);
- Decisions and recommendations of the 19th Regular Session of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture;
- Decisions and recommendations of the FAO Regional Conferences:
 - The 37th Session of the FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC);¹
 - The 38th Session of the FAO Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (LARC);²
 - The 37th Session of the FAO Regional Conference for the Near East (NERC);³
 - The 33rd Session of the FAO Regional Conference for Africa (ARC);⁴
 - The 34th Session of the FAO Regional Conference for Europe (ERC);⁵
 - The 8th Informal Regional Conference for North America (INARC)⁶.

i. Five Years of Action for the Development of Mountain Regions

At its 174th Session, the FAO Council noted the Global Framework for the Five Years of Action for the Development of Mountain Regions 2023–2027⁷ as declared by the United Nations General Assembly in December 2022 (A/RES/77/172).⁸ The Council also called for the development of the Global Action Plan on Mountain Regions Development 2023–2027. In response, the Mountain Partnership Secretariat at FAO prepared the Global Action Plan on Mountain Regions Development 2023–2027, in collaboration with other United Nations and regional organizations.⁹

ii. Voluntary Code of Conduct for the sustainable use and management of plastics in agriculture

In response to the recommendations of the 28th Session of the Committee on Agriculture, subsequently endorsed by the 43rd Session of the FAO Conference, FAO has carried out consultations with Members and stakeholders towards the development of the Voluntary Code of Conduct for the sustainable use and

¹ [APRC/2024/REP](#)

² [LARC/2024/REP](#)

³ [NERC/2024/REP](#)

⁴ [ARC/2024/REP](#)

⁵ [C 2025/16](#)

⁶ [C 2025/LIM/1](#)

⁷ [CL 174/INF/8 - Five Years of Action for the Development of Mountain Regions](#)

⁸ [A/RES/77/172](#)

⁹ FAO. 2024. *Global Action Plan on Mountain Regions' Development*. Rome <https://openknowledge.fao.org/items/1139e3c0-c8b6-4fe9-95f7-5f0a7d1cf17a>

management of plastics in agriculture (the “Voluntary Code of Conduct”). The draft Voluntary Code of Conduct was made available to Members in February 2024. At the time of preparing this document, further consultations with Members are ongoing, with the aim of submitting the revised draft of the Voluntary Code of Conduct to the 29th Session of the COAG from 30 September – 4 October 2024.

The Committee is invited to:

- acknowledge the decisions and recommendations of the FAO Bodies of interest to the Committee on Forestry and provide guidance, as deemed appropriate.

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