

Seeds for trees: the importance of seed and seedling supply for effective and resilient restoration

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A brief overview of the event and program: Successful forest and landscape restoration (FLR) projects require high-quality and genetically diverse tree seeds. Genetic diversity provides adaptive potential and help in resisting pest and disease outbreaks and coping with climate change. A failure to take genetic diversity and the quality of reproductive materials into account in FLR will have serious consequences.

A 1.5-hour session with two sub-sessions focusing on Asia's context and on Africa.

Each session will include 20-minute lightning presentations, followed by a 15-minute panel discussion and 10 mins of Q&A, finalised with a 2-minute wrap-up.

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