

**XV World
Forestry
Congress 2022**

**SIDE EVENT:
SUSTAINABLE
WOODFUEL
MANAGEMENT IN
MULTIFUNCTIONAL
LANDSCAPES**

MAY 5, 2022 FROM 9:30 AM TO 11:00 AM

The side event “Sustainable woodfuel management in multifunctional landscapes” will be a dynamic and informative exchange on options for woodfuel management and collaboration within wider forest-agricultural landscapes. Considering the high demand for woodfuel in most sub-Saharan countries, its management requires solutions beyond forest boundaries, with wood being sourced from different wood production systems, and value chains affecting various sectors (including agriculture, energy and health). Sustainable woodfuel management can contribute to improved natural resources management both locally and nationally, while providing producers with additional income and urban citizens with a stable and affordable source of energy for daily cooking. On a global level, these practices contribute to pledges for a green, healthy and resilient future, including targets on SDGs, forests, climate mitigation and restoration.

The proposed side event is part of, and builds upon, a series of global events aimed at promoting exchange and visibility on evidence-based options regarding sustainable woodfuel management. Through the EU-financed “Governing Multifunctional Landscapes (GML)” project, CIFOR-ICRAF, FAO, the Forest and Farm Facility (FFF) and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), aim to contribute to developing more sustainable woodfuel value chains across sub-Saharan Africa, with a focus on Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Zambia and Kenya, and extending to neighbouring countries through cross-border trade. Based on identification of priority areas and stakeholder needs, CIFOR-ICRAF and partners have been developing a range of options for sustainable woodfuel as part of the wider forest-agricultural landscape.



Speakers at the event will provide and reflect on new insights from options for sustainable woodfuel practices and management:

Facilitator: Phosiso Sola (CIFOR-ICRAF)

- Options for sustainable woodfuel in multifunctional landscapes (lessons from the Governing Multifunctional Landscapes project) – **Jolien Schure (CIFOR-ICRAF)**
- Woodfuel and landscape restoration in the Far North Region of Cameroon – **Didier Hubert (GIZ/Eco-Consult)**
- Participatory approaches to community forest restoration and production of wood energy in Ghana – **Daniel Kofi Abu (Tropenbos Ghana)**
- Ghana's experiences on wood fuel management – **Thomas Gyambrah (Climate Change Directorate of the Forestry Commission of Ghana)**
- Capacity building and supporting more efficient production by charcoal producers' associations in Zambia – **Serah Chilawi Lunda of Solwezi (Mushindamo Provincial Forestry office)**
- Ghana's Green Charcoal Strategy, the role of producer organizations – **Mark Kebo Akparibo, (GhaFFaP Secretary and Business Incubation Team Leader)**
- Charcoal Cross border trade – **Phosiso Sola (CIFOR-ICRAF)**
- Is formalization the answer to sustainable management of the woodfuel sector? Experiences from Ghana – **Lawrence Kwabena Brobbey (Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana)**

Zoom link – Click here

The event consists of two parts:

- First, a range of sustainable management options currently being piloted in various sub-Saharan African countries will be presented by experts working in the field. They will use a variety of interactive communication tools such as infographics, photos and videos to help the audience gain a solid understanding of the interventions and ensure a dynamic event.
- Second, a panel discussion will be held on perspectives for sustainable woodfuel management in sub-Saharan Africa. Members of the panel represent different stakeholders to simultaneously introduce various stakes in the topic matter and demonstrate areas for dialogue and collaboration.

Each of these experiences will be scrutinized for insights on potential for management of wood energy resources within multifunctional landscapes and lessons for collaboration at the landscape level and in wider regional- and country-level governance mechanisms. The event will not only offer a platform to learn about successful practices and partnerships for more sustainable woodfuel management, but will also offer a space for exchange and building new coalitions for continuing and scaling up various ongoing efforts.

The Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) and World Agroforestry (ICRAF) envision a more equitable world where trees in all landscapes, from drylands to the humid tropics, enhance the environment and well-being for all. CIFOR-ICRAF is a CGIAR Research Center.

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Languages of the side event will be English and French.