Partnerships to Success in Sustainable Forest Management

Model Forests Making a Difference to SFM: 1995 - 2005

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This Afternoon’s Panel:

- **Romeo Acosta**, Director, Forest Management Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines

- **Olga Corrales**: General Manager, Regional Model Forest Network, Latin America and the Caribbean

- **Brian Wilson**, Director of Programs, Natural Resources Canada – Canadian Forest Service, Chair of the Canadian Model Forest Network

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Model Forests & the UNFF:

✍ A dynamic, global initiative supporting SFM
✍ Making real contributions
✍ Developing new opportunities to accelerate SFM
Much More Than Trees…

Landscapes

Partnerships

Sustainability
Unique Features:

- Large landscapes/multiple uses
- Broad, inclusive partnerships
- Deliberate link to policy level
- No executive authority over the land-base
- Not prescriptive – driven by the partnership
- Networking from local to international levels
- Multiple sources of support
- Natural and social sciences
Role of Model Forest:

- To define and deliver SFM at the landscape-level on the basis of inclusive partnerships.
Real Contributions:

- Governance
  - Participatory processes, conflict mitigation
- Sustainable economic opportunity
  - Sustainable forestry, alternative opportunities
- Environmental protection
  - Conservation, preservation, stewardship
- SFM science and best practices
  - Research, application, demonstration, and training
- Knowledge-generation
  - Networking and training
- Leveraging resources
Role of Model Forest **Network:**

- To accelerate innovation by facilitating exchange of people, ideas, technologies, knowledge, and innovation.
**IMFN Participants:**

- Have access to expertise
- Provide expertise
- Collaborate on issues of joint interest
- Share information and exchange ideas
- Leverage each others’ resources
- Contribute field-level expertise to support a global community of best practices
Model Forest Partnerships:

- 1,000+ field-level partners
- Country/national-level partners
- Numerous institutional partners at site, regional, and international levels, including:
  - FAO (Asia, LAC, Africa)
  - UNDP-GEF (LAC & Asia)
  - CUSO (LAC)
  - CIFOR
  - CIDA
  - USAid
  - RECOFTC
  - INBAR
  - JICA
  - CATIE
Experiences From:

- Asia
- Latin America and the Caribbean
- Canada
Overview of Partnerships to Success CD:

- Highlights of 10-year anniversary publication: 1995 – 2005
- Showcases examples in five main areas of impact:
  - Governance, including conflict mitigation
  - Sustainable economic opportunity
  - Forest-science and best practices
  - Conservation and protection
  - Knowledge sharing and networking
Looking Ahead:

- Potential for five regional, autonomous networks, internationally linked
- A global network of 50+ model forests
- A global community of practice linked to policy levels
- Efficient/relevant movement of knowledge, expertise and innovation
**Looking Ahead:**

- Link over 1000 operationally-based partner organizations dealing in virtually any aspect of SFM

- 50+ landscape level platforms for integrated research, demonstration, or training on any aspect of SFM: climate change; Governance; Illegal logging; Boreal; Temperate; Tropical…
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- An innovative workable mechanism to make progress toward SFM
- A global community of practice
- An opportunity to share & access expertise directly/efficiently
- Acting locally and globally