



Global Workshop on Forest Accounting

May 11–13, 2014 Washington, DC

The World Bank, MC Building, Room MC 2-800

AGENDA

BACKGROUND

Wealth Accounting and the Valuation of Ecosystem Services (WAVES) is a World Bank-facilitated global partnership that aims to promote sustainable development by mainstreaming Natural Capital Accounting (NCA) in development planning and national accounting systems. NCA is an important tool to inform policy decision making and foster transitions towards inclusive and green growth models. To construct accounts, countries need training materials, guidance and a platform to share ideas and information.

The “Global Workshop on Forest Accounting” is organized under WAVES to provide a platform to share experiences on policy applications of forest accounting and test training materials. The workshop will bring the NCA Community of Practice (CoP) together to discuss opportunities for mainstreaming forest accounting into development policy. The goal is to enhance the understanding of how forest accounting can inform policy planning, to strengthen country-level capacity, and serve as a first step for the construction of a dynamic CoP on forest accounting, to allow for greater knowledge sharing and provide a system of support for countries implementing these accounts.

THE WORKSHOP AIMS TO —

- a. Strengthen technical understanding and capacity among participants by:
 - Sharing experiences and results from each partner country to learn from one another
 - Providing basic training on forest accounting, from defining policy questions to identifying the accounts needed to answer the questions
 - Testing of training materials prepared within the context of the development of a “Forest Accounting Sourcebook”
- b. Start to build a common language for forest accounting among all WAVES partner countries
- c. Serve as building block for developing a forest accounting “Community of Practice” as part of the broader efforts for sharing knowledge being promoted by WAVES.

Spanish translation will be provided for the meeting.

DAY 1: MAY 11, 2014

What are the Forest Challenges and how Forest Accounts Can Help?

9:00 - 9:30 am **Registration**

9:30 - 9:45 am **Welcome and introduction**

Juergen Voegele, Sector Director, AES, World Bank

9:45 - 10:30 am **How the Workshop will be run**

Facilitators: Paul Mitchell, David Bain

10:30 - 11:30 am **Keynote Address: Key Policy Issues and Challenges for Forests**

Frances Seymour, Senior Fellow, Center for Global Development

11:30 - 11:45 am COFFEE BREAK

11:45 - 12:45 pm **Panel: How can forest accounts and forest statistics help countries address these challenges?**

Moderator: John Matuszak Adviser, Head of Global Engagement, WAVES, World Bank

Panelists:

Nigel Sizer, Global Director, Forests Program, World Resources Institute

Gerhard Dietrle, Adviser, World Bank,

Ken MacDicken, Senior Forestry Officer, FAO

Glenn-Marie Lange, WAVES Program Manager, World Bank

Julian Chow, United Nations Statistics Division

12:45 - 14:00 pm **Lunch Break (including group picture)**

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14:00 - 14:45 pm **Forest Accounts: Process and Implementation**

Presenter: Juan Pablo Castaneda, World Bank

14:45 - 15:00 pm **COFFEE BREAK**

15:00 - 17:00 pm **Group Exercise I: Formulating Policy Questions**

Presenter: Maria Lourdes Ferrer, Director FASPO, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, The Philippines

Group exercise facilitator: Paul Mitchell, World Bank

Guided exercise to have participants begin thinking of the policy development process and how to link to forest accounts

17:00 - 17:15 pm **Wrap-up**



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DAY 2: MAY 12, 2014

Linking Policy and Forests Accounts

9:00 - 9:30 am **Introduction and Review of Day 1**
Facilitator: Paul Mitchell, World Bank

9:30 - 10:15 am **Country Policy Questions**
Presenters: Costa Rica and India

10:15 - 10:30 pm COFFEE BREAK

10:30 - 12:45 pm **Group Exercise II: Establish Accounts and Indicators**
Presenters:
Juan Pablo Castaneda, World Bank
Le Truong, General Statistics office, Vietnam
Group Exercise Facilitator: Paul Mitchell, World Bank
Guided exercise that builds on the first exercise to develop a set of relevant indicators

12:45 - 14:15 pm **Lunch Break**
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14:15 - 16:00 pm **Group Exercise III: Linking Accounts and Indicators to Policy**
Presenter: Juan Pablo Castaneda, World Bank
Group Exercise Facilitator: Paul Mitchell, World Bank
Guided exercise that builds on the first two exercise to discuss how the indicators can help to inform policy

16:00 - 16:30 pm COFFEE BREAK

16:30 - 17:30 pm **Country Policy Applications**
Presenters:
Jaime Carrera, Researcher, IARNA, Guatemala
Alejandro Caparros, Institute of Public Goods and Policies, Spain

17:30 - 17:45 pm **Wrap-up**

17:45 - 20:00 pm **Reception**



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DAY 3: MAY 13, 2014

Getting Into the Weeds: Focus on Compilation of Accounts

8:30 - 9:30 am **Forest Accounts Overview**

Presenters:

Elsa Varela, European Forest Institute

Ulf Narloch, World Bank

9:30 - 11:00 am **Exercise: Compiling Forest Accounts (Part I)**

Facilitator: David Bain

11:00 - 11:15 am COFFEE BREAK

11:15 - 12:45 pm **Exercise: Compiling Forest Accounts (Part II)**

Facilitator: David Bain

12:45 - 14:00 pm **Lunch Break**

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14:00 - 15:15 pm **Panel: Common Challenges for Compiling and Institutionalizing Forest Accounts**

Moderator: David Bain

Panelists:

Juventino Galvez, IARNA, Guatemala

Haripriya Gundimeda, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Technology and GIST, India

Alejandro Caparros, Associate Professor at the Institute of Public Goods and Policies, Spain

Monica Rodriguez, Indicators and Environmental Accounts Coordinator, Colombia

15:15 -- 15:30 pm COFFEE BREAK

15:30 - 16:30 pm **Developing a Strong Community of Practice**

Presenter: Carter Brandon, World Bank

Facilitator for Group Discussion: Paul Mitchell, World Bank

16:30 - 16:45 pm **Closing Remarks**

Glenn-Marie Lange, WAVES Program Manager, World Bank



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