

# ITTO CRITERIA AND INDICATORS AND FOREST REPORTING

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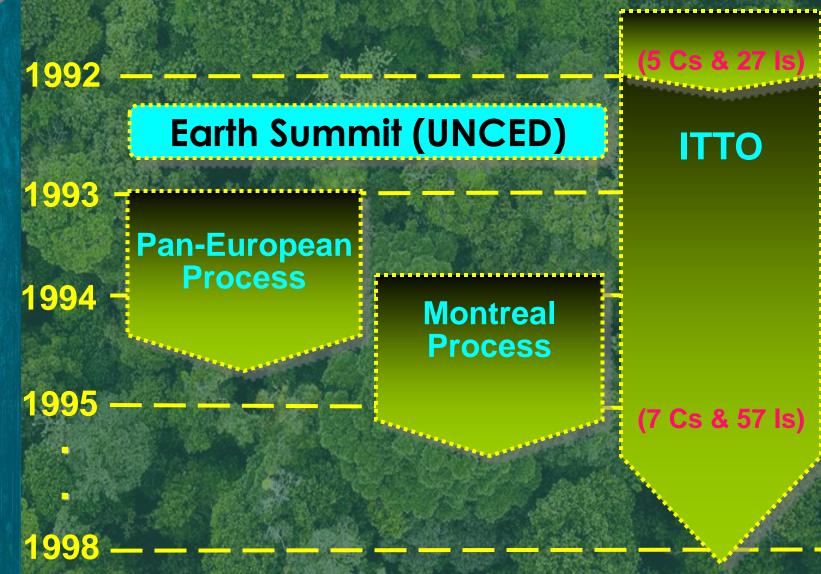
#### **WHAT IS ITTO**

- Intergovernmental organization established in 1986 in Yokohama, Japan to operate International Tropical Timber Agreement (ITTA), a legally binding agreement
- To promote:
  - international trade of tropical timber legally harvested from sustainably managed forests and
  - sustainable management of tropical forests
- Governed by ITTC (Council)





#### **HISTORY OF ITTO C&I**





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1992 1st version of C&I (5 Cs, 27 Is)

1998 Revision of C&I (7 Cs, 66 Is) + Manuals

**Development of Reporting Format** 

2005 2nd revision of C&I (7 Cs, 57 Is) + Reporting Format



#### **SFM AND ITTO C&I**

#### Sustainable management of tropical forests

"The process of managing forest to achieve one of more clearly specified objectives of management with regard to the production of a continuous flow of desired forest products and services without undue reduction of inherent values and future productivity and without undue undesirable effects on the physical and social environment"

#### **Criteria**

**#1: Enabling conditions for SFM** 

**#2: Extent and condition of forests** 

**#3: Forest ecosystem health** 

**#4: Forest production** 

**#5: Biological diversity** 

#6: Soil and water protection

**#7: Economic, social and cultural aspects** 





#### **USE OF ITTO C&I**

- ✓ ITTO producer members should report on progress towards SFM using C&I Reporting Format
- ✓ China also using ITTO C&I for its tropical forests
- ✓ Other organizations also using as framework for national/regional initiatives (African Timber Organization (ATO), Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC), Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), etc.)



#### **USE OF ITTO C&I**

#### **Status of Tropical Forest Management (SFM Tropics)**

- Published 2005, 2011
- Covers 33 tropical countries, over 80% of total tropical forest area
- First rigorous attempt to estimate areas of tropical forest under SFM
- Among PFE covering 55% of member countries' tropical forests
  - About 24% are with management plans
  - About 7% are under sustainable forest management





#### **USE OF ITTO C&I**

#### Status of Tropical Forest Management (SFM Tropics)

- Eight countries prepared their reports without requesting ITTO's financial assistance
  - Indicates growing capacity to generate and supply data as part of routine work
- But still considerable problems with data availability and quality for many indicators of SFM

No of countries submitting		Score	
2005	2010	2005	2010
<b>23</b>	<b>32</b>	1.5	1.9

0: no information submitted

1: information given was not of use for reporting

2: information given was partly of use for reporting

3: information given was useful for reporting



#### **C&I TRAINING WORKSHOPS**

- To facilitate uptake of C&I
- To generate or check national reports
- Include all stakeholders but with focus on those actually managing forests
- 28 countries, over 1000 participants so far,
   2-3 more in 2013-14
- Prospects for collaboration with other processes





#### **COLLABORATION ON REPORTING**

- Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire (JFSQ) for timber statistic
- Harmonization of C&I with other processes (ATO, Tarapoto Process)
- CPF Task Force on Streamlining Forest Reporting
- FAO Forest Resources Assessment (FRA)
- Collaborative Forest Resource Questionnaire (CFRQ)



#### **COLLABORATION ON REPORTING**

- To reduce reporting burden on countries, in particular developing countries
- To share work among partners in developing/distributing reporting formats, analyzing responses and disseminating reports
- To avoid discrepancies in data presented by organizations and processes for the respective countries
- To demonstrate collective efforts of partners for more participation of related organizations and further support from international community



#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Collaboration on analysis and reporting of country data
- Joint effort to review utility of C&I for better monitoring, assessment and reporting and forest management
- Joint outreach and communication activities
- Country capacity building and support







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