ITTO Guidelines on FLR in the Tropics

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5% of world's land and 80% of all life on earth

We are losing over 13 million hectares each year
- Climate change, Biodiversity, Desertification

❖ **Forest Degradation:**
Reduction of the capacity of a forest to provide goods and services

→ however, still considered as a forest in the « legal » sense
→ Action that reverse degradation = restoration

❖ **Forest landscape restoration (FLR) :**
The ongoing process of regaining ecological functionality and enhancing human well-being across deforested or degraded forest landscapes.

It is restoring a whole landscape to meet present and future needs and to offer multiple benefits and land uses over time.

Global Actions on FLR

- **Bonn Challenge ;**

  150 Mha by 2020, 350 Mha by 2030

- **In 2015, SDG 15:**

  “protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss”.

- **CBD Aichi target :**

“By 2020, ecosystem resilience and the contribution of biodiversity to carbon stocks has been enhanced, through conservation and restoration, including restoration of at least 15 per cent of degraded ecosystems, thereby contributing to climate change mitigation and adaptation and to combating desertification”

- **UNFF** :

  UNSPF (6 Global Goals and 26 Target)

Voluntary Guidelines for the sustainable management of natural tropical forests

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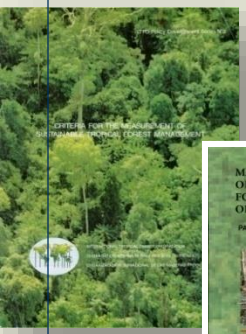
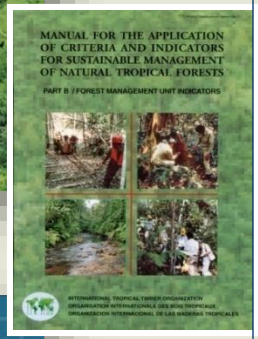
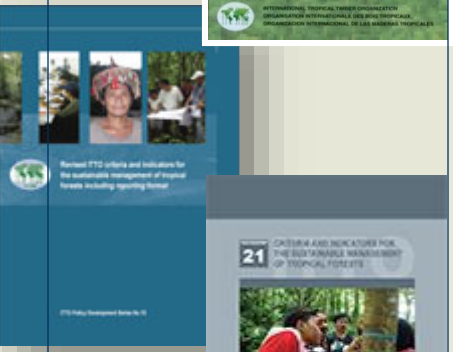
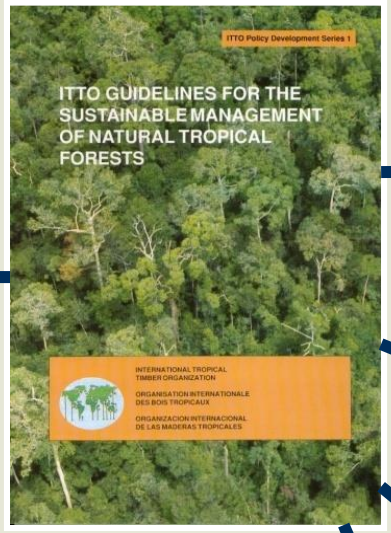
(1992, 1998, 2005, 2016)



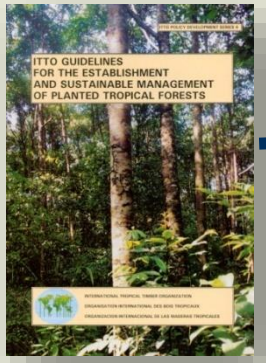




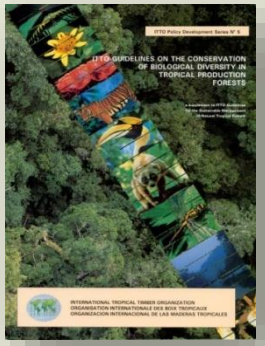


Guidelines for the sustainable management of natural tropical forests (1990)

Guidelines for sustainable management of tropical plantations (1993)



Guidelines for conserving biodiversity in production forests (1993, 2008)



Guidelines for the management / restoration / rehabilitation of secondary and degraded tropical forest lands (2002)

Guidelines on fire management (1998)

Voluntary Guidelines for SFM (2015)

Joint Initiative for FLR

- Analysis of CPF members's Program and Projects (2018)
- Develoment of Global guidelines on FLR (2019)
- Regional Workshop : Capacity building and lessons learned (2020)

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Six globally agreed principles

- Focus on landscape
- Engage stakeholders and support participatory governance
- Restore multiple functions for multiple benefits
- Maintain and enhance natural ecosystems within landscapes
- Tailor to the local context using a variety of approaches
- Manage adaptively for long-term resilience

Guidelines on FLR

- Six principle and 32 guiding elements in the guidelines formulate to assist stakeholders for successful FLR implementation and outcomes
- Guidelines target national and subnational forest, and
- policy makers, restoration practitioners, private sector organization, civil society organizations, research and education institutions, etc.
- Guidelines make recommendations on design, implementation, and financing of FLR programme and projects

Thank you for your attention

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