



FORESTS @ the SDG PAVILION

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The role of sustainably managed forests in climate change mitigation and adaptation is undeniable. Forests affect rainfall patterns and support freshwater availability, provide wood for fuel and other human needs, are home to 80% of terrestrial biodiversity, sequester carbon and offset greenhouse gas emissions.

If humanity is to avoid the worst impacts of climate change, we must halt deforestation and expand the world's forests.

The SDG pavilion will feature two forest events to showcase forest-based actions to combat climate change through coherent implementation of the 2030 Agenda, the Paris Agreement, and the UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2030.

Promoting synergies: the UN Strategic Plan for Forests 2030, the Paris Agreement and the SDGs

Opening Keynote

- **Mr. Liu Zhenmin**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

High Level Panel discussion

Moderator: **Mr. Alexander Buck**, Executive Director, International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)

- **H.E. Henryk Kowalczyk**, Minister of Environment, Poland
- **H.E. José Antônio Marcondes de Carvalho**, Chief Negotiator for Climate Change, Undersecretary for Environment, Energy and Science and Technology, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil
- **Mr. Niklas Hagelberg**, Coordinator, Climate Change Subprogramme, UN Environment

General Discussion

Forest actions to combat Climate Change and build a sustainable world

The floor is open for discussion by Member States, international organizations and other stakeholders to share experiences in, and propose actions for implementing the SDGs, Paris Agreement, and the Global Forest Goals.

