Key Messages EGM SDG 15

★ We call for an awakening to the reality that youth are valuable partners and agents of change in efforts to deliver sustainable forest management, particularly in facilitating collective action, building capacity, and sharing the message with everyday people.

○ SDG 15 feeds into many others of the SDGs and it is crucial to foster cross-sectoral collaboration. Young people are natural innovators, able to contribute to this effort by taking on a holistic approach to landscape management and by using their networks to create lasting change.

○ It is essential to share the Global Forest Goals and Sustainable Development Goals beyond our traditional audiences and engage them in our new direction. Equipped with trust in their abilities and the resources needed, young people will play a key role in making sure that these key messages leave conference halls and can be enacted by people on the ground.

○ In order to achieve the ambitious goals set in the Agenda 2030 it is essential that we involve a diverse representation across gender, ethnicity and age. This is basic a requirement to achieving success and making sure no one is left behind.