## Annex D—Communications plan Montreal Process Working Group 2017-2021

## The Montreal Process

The Montreal Process Working Group was launched in 1994 to advance the development and refinement of internationally agreed C&I and establish a common understanding of what constitutes forests conservation and sustainable management in the temperate and boreal zone.

The Montreal Process Working Group fosters consensus among its members with the intention of wider application of the C&I and of working with other C&I processes and global forestry fora.

The Montreal Process has five strategic directions:

- 1) Enhance the relevance and use of the MP C&I for policy makers, practitioners and others
- 2) Strengthen member country capacity to monitor, assess and report on forest trends and progress toward SFM using the MP C&I
- 3) Enhance collaboration and cooperation with forest-related regional and international organizations, instruments, and other C&I processes
- 4) Enhance communication on the value of C&I and the accomplishments of the MP
- 5) Enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the MPWG and its TAC and its LO

The goals of this communications plan are to:

- Build awareness of the relevance and use of the MP C&I among policy makers, practitioners and others interested in tracking and reporting on forest trends and progress toward SFM.
- Increase awareness and build capacity among MPWG and TAC members of relevant activities, events and documents

The **audience** we are trying to reach is:

Interested public

Policy makers and practitioners involved in forest-related fora or forest reporting initiatives Academia, NGOs and others with an interest in national reporting on forests

We will use the following **approaches** to reach our audience:

- collaborate with FAO, other C&I processes, and other entities interested in forest reporting
- Increase use of the Internet
- Publish and promote reports
- take advantage of existing events

The MPWG will take the following **Actions** 

| Goals                                    | Approaches  |  |   |   |
|--|---|--|---|---|
|  | collaborate with FAO,   | Increase use of the Internet   | Publish and promote                                     | take advantage of existing  |
|  | other C&I processes, and                                      |  | reports   | events  |
|  | other entities interested                                     |  |   |   |
|  | in forest reporting   |  |   |   |
| Build awareness of the relevance and use | <ul> <li>Continue to work<br/>with FAO to identify</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Update website with<br/>iconic trees</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Publish achievements<br/>report</li> </ul>     | <ul> <li>Organize international<br/>conference on applied RS</li> </ul> |
| of C&I among policy                      | opportunities to  | Regularly publish  | Publish journal article                                 | to enhance NFIs   |
| makers, practitioners                    | collaborate on the  | interesting content from   | on impact of C&I  | Organize side event or  |
| and others interested                    | development of the  | country reports on   | <ul> <li>Publish synthesis</li> </ul>                   | session at WFC 2021   |
| in tracking and                          | FRA 2020  | website  | report of top 10  | Chair makes statements  |
| reporting on forest                      |   | <ul> <li>Track website usage</li> </ul>  | indicators  | about MP at forest-   |
| trends and progress                      |   | using web analytics  | <ul> <li>Countries publish their</li> </ul>             | related fora  |
| toward SFM                               |   | <ul> <li>Encourage WG and TAC<br/>members to use their<br/>professional Social media<br/>accounts to promote<br/>work of MP</li> </ul> | individual top10<br>indicator reports as<br>appropriate |   |
| Increase awareness                       |   | Regularly publish news   | <ul> <li>Triannual/biannual</li> </ul>                  | Develop member  |
| and build capacity                       |   | and relevant event   | Chairs newsletter                                       | country material for  |
| among MPWG and                           |   | information on web site.   |   | thematic MPWG   |
| TAC members of                           |   |  |   | meetings  |
| relevant activities, events and          |   |  |   | Organize meet-ups of MP   |
| documents                                |   |  |   | members at international events for members who                         |
| documents                                |   |  |   | are present to share  |
|  |   |  |   | information   |
|  |   |  |   | Use existing bilateral or   |
|  |   |  |   | regional meetings among   |
|  |   |  |   | MP member countries to  |
|  |   |  |   | discuss MP related issues   |