

Annex E—Montréal Process Working Group Actions to advance . . .

Strategic Direction 2

Enhance Capacity Building

a) **Build Opportunities for Thematic Capacity Building into MPWG Meetings**

Identify 2 or 3 thematic areas for capacity building across member countries. The **TAC** would facilitate this for MPWG by staging a request to member countries to prepare material in advance of the next meeting associated with each theme. Given identified themes, **member countries** would be asked to prepare a summary 3 months **in advance of our next meeting** material to contribute to meeting agenda items around a theme, and would highlight their own methods, innovative approaches and challenges associated with a given C&I theme. The TAC might also propose/organize guests speakers around these thematic.

Identify 3 thematic areas capacity building - **confirmed by all MPWG members at the 27th Meeting in New Zealand**

- i. Annual reporting
- ii. Defining degraded or restored forests
- iii. Ecosystem services

b) **Enable an international conference on applied remote sensing to enhance National Forest Inventories** (Canada to facilitate; to be deliver by 2020) and to provide data and information for C&I processes. FAO is interested in contributing and participating.

c) **Informally encourage active member participation of non-present members** by calling them or visiting them within **1 month of the distribution of our meeting aide-memoire** to review our meeting activities and aide-memoire with them and to encourage them to participate in our action plan activities, especially in our National Reporting exercise and 2021 WFC Synthesis report, accordingly:

- a. **Chile** to contact Uruguay and Argentina
- b. **Canada** to contact Mexico
- c. **China** to contact Russia
- d. **Japan** to contact Korea
- e. **New Zealand** to contact Australia

It will be especially important to determine whether those not-present have the capacity and are going to be able to produce a condensed National Report by October 2018 (see *Strategic Action to Deliver a Synthesis Report for the 2021 World Forestry Congress*). Those contacting non-present members will provide feedback on these informal discussions by communicating with the LO and Chair, who will in turn share these communications with the TAC and MPWG members.

d) **Encourage all members to share learnings** when members attend other events or meetings with other working group members to enhance the capacity of all (Action: all to share updates through the Chair)

Strategic Directions 4 and 5

Deliver a Synthesis Report on C&I for Boreal and Temperate Forests for MTL Process Working Group for the next World Forestry Congress 2021 – Korea (Japan to Lead)

Acknowledging the significant opportunity that the XV World Forestry Congress (WFC) hosted by the Republic of Korea presents as a distinguished global stage for forests and sustainable forest management. . . **each member country will produce a condensed National Report** (TAC to provide a template 1 month after the aide-memoire is issued) on the top 10 C&I (1.1a, 1.1b, 2a, 2c, 3a, 3b, 4.1a, 5a, 6.3a, 7.1a) that member countries report on, based on Canada's 2017 analysis, **by October 2018**. If no new information is available then the best latest information can be used. Updated reports would be due by the end of October 2018, in advance of the next MTL Process working group meeting. (Action: All Members to develop a "condensed" National Report by October 30, 2018 and submit this to the TAC.) The TAC is empowered to issue frequent and persistent reminders for members to deliver their reports.

The TAC would facilitate and coordinate the development of a synthesis report based on their peer review of the condensed National Reports, and this would be presented at a side event or session of the 2021 WFC. We will consider sharing the side event or session with other C&I Processes, and try to establish an entire session for C&I processes at the WFC (Action: **TAC to produce a synthesis report from National Reports for review by MTL Process WG members at our next meeting in Japan 2019**). This would align well with the 2020 release of the CFRQ and FRA.

DRAFT synthesis report to be reviewed and endorsed by MPWG in Japan in 2019 (Action: Japan as chair to include this on the next MPWG Agenda in 2019). In advance of the next MPWG meeting, each member country will also provide additional ideas or activities that the MPWG might want to do to promote C&I for SFM at the WFC in 2021.

Prepare to present the synthesis report at WFC 2021 (Japan to coordinate)

Strategic Direction 4

Develop and Implement a Communication Plan for the MPWG (Canada, USA & Chile) with milestones and actions to 2021