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Global Issues in Governance of Natural Resources

New leadership for new challenges

Grey Towers National Historic Site, Pennsylvania, United States

April 12-16, 2010

Co-organized by:

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Agenda

Objectives:

- *Contribute to the thinking of the next generation of forest sector leaders in major forested countries.*
- *Engage professionals from forest ministries, other public agencies and civil society in cutting-edge analysis and information for a deeper understanding of global transitions in forest governance issues.*
- *Promote improved information-sharing and networking among these future leaders through frank and open dialogue in a small group setting where problems and solutions can be discussed openly.*

Monday, April 12

- 9:00 Depart from hotels in Milford by shuttle.
- 9:30 **Opening session**
- Welcome
 - Rights and Resources - Andy White
 - U.S. Forest Service - Jerilyn Levi
 - Grey Towers National Historic Site
 - Introductions
 - Review workshop goals – Andy White
 - Review of agenda, expectations and guidelines for collaboration – Wilma Gormley
 - Introduction to Grey Towers
 - Participant introductions
- 11:30 *Evolution of forest policy, forestry business models and forest ownership in the U.S.*
Jerilyn Levi
- 12:00 Lunch

- 1:00 **Forest agencies responding to new challenges**
- Forest governance in transition and challenges for forest agencies*
Andy White & Keshav Kanel
- Questions & answers
- 1:45 Facilitated discussion in country groups
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 Discussions continue
- 4:30 Daily wrap-up session
- 4:45 Walking tour/free time until reception
- 6:00 Dinner and reception

Tuesday, April 13

- 8:30 Shuttle depart from hotels.
- 9:00 Morning start-up session
- 9:15 **Forest sector in transition: Shifting demands for food, fuel and fiber**
- Forest Sector in Transition: Shifting Demands for Food, Fuel and Fiber*
Sten Nilsson
- Questions & answers
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Small group discussions
- 11:30 Report back
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:30 **Climate adaptation & mitigation measures: Implications for forest agencies**
- Climate Change: Impacts to forests, and the role of forests in mitigation*
Jeff Hatcher
- 2:30 Break
- 3:30 Breakout into country teams for facilitated discussion
- 4:00 Country teams pair together and compare responses.
- 5:00 Back to the full group to close for the day.

Wednesday, April 14

9:00

Field Trip: Forest administration and land-use in Pennsylvania

- Briefing on issues and sites on the trip – Jim Grace:
 - Role of State governments in regulating and supporting public and private forest management, and community partnership mechanisms;
 - Diversity of tenure systems present in the United States and Pennsylvania
 - How the State regulates private forest management/use
 - Distribution of roles between Federal and State forest authorities
- Field trip (exact sites TBC):
 - *Blooming Grove Hunting & Fishing Club*
Service Forester Mike Roche & Consulting Forester Robin Wildermuth discuss largest private owned Stewardship in Pennsylvania, management goals/objectives and management history
 - *Promised Land Tract of Delaware State Forest*
Forest Assistant Manager Tim Ladner discuss recreational use with active forest management, tie in with Alex Stout and the varied recreational opportunities, collaboration with New Friends of Delaware State Forest and Promised Land State Park.
- Debriefing after field trip: Impressions from the field trip, what was new, what was interesting, and what is relevant for your agency and country?

Thursday, April 15

8:30

Shuttle depart from hotels.

9:00

Morning start-up session

9:15

Impacts of forest tenure and governance reforms underway: Impacts and implications for forest agencies

- Emerging lessons and trends – Arvind Khare
- Experiences from tenure reform: Changes in agency roles and perspectives
 - *Forest tenure reform in Nepal* - Keshav Kanel

10:30

Break

- Experiences from tenure reform continued
 - *Livelihoods and incentives in China's tenure reform* - Xu Jintao
 - *Indigenous Peoples issues in Latin America* - Omaira Bolaños

12:00

Lunch

1:00

Designing and implementing tenure reform

What does tenure reform really mean?

Jeff Hatcher

Breakout into groups for discussion questions

3:00

Close for the day

Friday, April 16

- 8:30 Shuttle depart from hotels.
- 9:00 Morning start-up session
- 9:15 **Rethinking forest regulations: Conventional approaches and new systems to encourage best practice and enforcement**
- *Forest regulations in Montana*
Bob Harrington
- 10:30 Coffee break
- *Impacts of China's forest regulations on rural livelihoods*
Xu Jintao
- Question and answer
- 11:00 Discussion
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Country groups work on the following:
- From what you have learned this week, select one or two areas that have the most relevance for your setting.
 - Plan how you would present this to your minister when you return home
- 2:00 Large group discussion
- Ask each country group to tell us (very briefly) the major points they want to make with their minister (or appropriate senior leader/s). Hear from all 7 countries; look for commonalities, link to the future.
- 2:15 Coffee break
- 3:00 Break
- 3:15 Closing activities
- 4:00 End the day
- Dinner