Annex G—Technical Advisory Committee Convenor’s Report
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Outline

• Ecosystem Services
  • Set up network
• New Developments
• Overview and Achievement Report
New Developments

Emerging Areas
• New uses of C&I
• Continuous improvement of C&I

Figure 1. Frequency of journal papers that refer to variations and combinations of sustainable forest management, forestry, criteria and indicators, and Montréal Process, based on the Scopus search engine
New challenges for temperate and boreal forests

• Survey (https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T8CCRRL) – there is still time to do the survey!
  • 5 biggest challenges for temperate and boreal forests in the next decade
    • Climate change, land use pressure/competition, trade, promotion of timber/forest products, policy confidence

  • 5 biggest challenges facing your country’s forests in the next decade
    • Climate change, natural disasters, pests/fire/invasive species, land use competition, skills shortage

• Literature
  • Climate change, industrial development, biodiversity loss, fire/insects and invasive species, land use pressure
Emerging topics

New Uses
• Using the C&I to respond to major challenges facing temperate and boreal forests, such as climate change or human disturbance
• Use of the C&I framework for complex systems analysis
• Better understanding public attitudes and perceptions of SFM
• Development of a global picture for temperate and boreal forest trends (with other Processes such as Forest Europe)
• Use of C&I for forecasting futures: prospective SFM rather than retrospective.

Improvement of Existing C&I
• Performing a SWOT analysis on the MP C&I framework
• Performing risk analyses on the indicators related to ability to detect trend and likelihood of impact of that trend
• Consideration of how indicators are networked and the concept of SFM as a complex system
• Better understanding the effectiveness and impact of MP reporting
• Consideration of data custodianship
Different ways of working for the TAC

• TAC a small core group to respond to Working Group directions
  • Regular scan of developments in C&I
  • Respond to specific WG directives
  • Facilitate access to technical experts
• TAC to work closely with IUFRO Working Party on Criteria and Indicators to expand capacity on specific technical topics
Overview and Achievement Report

• The report follows the direction of the 26th Working Group meeting: ‘The Working Group agreed the report should be concise (8 pages) and should focus on MP impacts, achievements, and future aspirations with links to concise 2-

It is recommended that members:
note and discuss progress, provide feedback for completion of the comprehensive overview report, and consider the timing, resourcing and publication of the report

of the report. They followed the headings of:

➢ Changes in Forestry since 1995
➢ The contribution of the MP C&I to those changes
➢ Future aspirations for use of the C&I framework
Finalisation of the report

NEXT STEPS
• Comments on the draft to TAC Convenor – during or post Working Group meeting
• Comments received
  • Audience, style and readability, publication medium – digital/paper; more ‘Ooomph’ around Futures Section; highlight CFRQ and collaboration successes more
• Countries to review and finalise their 2-3 pagers
• Graphical layout and technical editing
• Review by WG and finalisation