



## Celebrating Forests and Innovation

2024 International Day of Forests

21 March 2024, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ, New York

### PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

#### OPENING SESSION

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Opening remarks: Ms. Juliette Biao, Director, UN Forum on Forests Secretariat

- H.E. Ambassador Paula Narváez, President of the UN Economic and Social Council
- H.E. Ambassador Zéphyrin Maniratanga, Chair of the UNFF19 Bureau
- Mr. Li Junhua, Under-Secretary-General, DESA

#### PANEL SESSION

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Chair: Ms. Leticia Zamora Zumbado, Vice-Chair of the UNFF19 Bureau

- Mr. QU Guangzhou, Director, FAO Liaison Office, New York
- Speaker tba, USDA Forest Service
- Ms. Anna Rathmann, Executive Director, Jane Goodall Institute
- Speaker tba, International Forestry Students' Association
- Mr. Derek Nighbor, President and CEO of the Forest Products Association of Canada
- Mr. José Carlos da Fonseca, Executive Director, The Brazilian Tree Industry (Ibá)
- Mr. Kai Lintunen, Head of International Communication, Finnish Forest Association

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION

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Chair: Mr. Javad Momeni, Vice-Chair of the UNFF19 Bureau

Statements by Member States, UN entities and other accredited IGOs and Major Groups

#### FOREST VIDEO SHOWCASE

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Short films from FAO and the 2024 World Wildlife Day Film Showcase (CITES and Jackson Wild)

- Forests and innovation – new solutions for a better world
- How Old Cell Phones Are Protecting the Rainforest
- This New AI Forensic Tool is Fighting Illegal Logging
- NASA Joins Jane Goodall to Conserve Chimp Habitats