



REPRESENTATION OF THE FOREST SECTOR CIVIL SOCIETY IN CAMEROON

The European Community Forest Platform is a group of civil society organisations involved in monitoring EU-sponsored forest sector projects. In a bid to improve its participation in the process initiated by the European Union and Cameroon Forestry Department, the Platform has set up an internal information-sharing mechanism.

The proposal provides that:

1. Within the framework of the European Community Forest Platform, a group of forest sector civil society organisations working to further their involvement in the processes initiated in Cameroon, the Coordination shall act as Secretariat;
2. All organisations member of the Platform shall inform the Secretariat of the fastest and most secure means to send them information (telephone, mail, files and reports). Delays shall also be indicated;
3. The Secretariat shall be responsible for gathering information and, possibly, processing them, then disseminate such information to the members. The following actions could then be envisaged:
 1. The documents shall be summarised, then put at the disposal of members;
 2. The document shall be forwarded to the members, either automatically or upon request;
 3. Proposals for action shall be suggested to members for discussion;
4. Once they have received the documents/information, members shall return their comments to the secretariat, within a specified period, which shall be responsible for summarizing same;
5. Civil society representatives invited to the various meetings shall defend the points of view of members, which shall be gathered, reviewed, adopted and documented whenever possible;
6. After the meeting, members shall be informed of the findings through the Secretariat, which shall also inform them of opportunities for future actions;

7. The Secretariat shall not be the only representative of the Platform, as this duty shall possibly be entrusted to other members, depending on the theme in review, of the location of members, etc.;
8. Data collection and processing shall not be the only responsibility of the Secretariat, but shall be exercised by any other member at the request of the Secretariat;
9. Each member of the Platform resolves to accept this mode of operation and to contribute to it;
10. Representatives of the national civil society of the forest and environment sector shall only be appointed through the present platform, which is the basis for mobilising national civil society in the process and which remains open to the participation of any other relevant national civil society organisation.

Signatures as at 22 September 2005

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