**18th session of UN Forum on Forests** | **Provisional Organization of Work** | **8-12 May 2023, UNHQ, NY**

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| **Time** | **8 May 2023 (CR 4)** | **9 May 2023 (CR 4)** | **10 May 2023 (CR 4)** | **11 May 2023 (CR 4)** | **12 May 2023 (CR 4) \*\*\*** |
| **10am-1pm**  | Item 1. Election of officersItem 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters* Opening statements
* UNFF18 Chair
* ECOSOC President
* USG, DESA

Item 3: Technical Discussions on the implementation of the UN Strategic Plan for Forests (UNSPF) Item 5: Emerging issues Introduction of the Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/2) *(General discussion on item 3 & 5)* | **Item 3 (a) Thematic priorities for 2023-2024 biennium, in support of the implementation of the UNSPF** **Item 3(d). Interlinkages between the Global Forest Goals and targets and the Sustainable Development Goals under review by the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development in 2023, the work towards Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and other international forest-related developments** * Presentation of the background papers on the thematic priorities (under item 3(a))

*(General discussion/Panel discussion on items 3 (a) & 3 (d), to be followed by interactive discussions)* | **Item 3 (f). Means of implementation*** Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/4)

*(General discussion on Item 3 (f))* | Item 3(h) Update on the IAF midterm review * Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/6)

*(General discussion on Item 3 (h))*Item 4. Forum Trust Fund* Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/7)

*(General discussion on Item 4)* | -**Item 3 *and its subitems (a) to (g), and item 5****Factual correction to UNFF18 Chair’s summary (Electronic distribution of UNFF18 Chair’s Summary, which includes summary of technical discussions during UNFF18, Chair’s proposals for transmission to UNFF19, & Chair’s summary of input to the 2023 HLPF, will be distributed on Thursday evening)* |
| **1:15-2:30pm** | Side events | **Side events** | **Side events** | Side events | Side Events |
| **3pm-6pm**  | Item 3 (b) Contributions of Members of the Forum to implementing the UNSPF: (i) New announcements of Voluntary National Contributions (ii) Updates on Voluntary National Contributions and their follow up related to the thematic priorities**Item 3(e) Implementation of the UNSPF Communication and Outreach strategy, including activities regarding the International Day of Forests 2023***(General discussion on items 3 (b) 3 (b) (i), (ii) & 3 (e))* | **Item 3. Technical discussions on the implementation of the UNSPF**Introduction of the Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/3)**Item 3 (c) Contribution of and enhanced cooperation with partners to achieving the thematic priorities** **(i)Contributions of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), its members and the UN system** **(ii) Contribution of the regional and subregional organizations and processes** (iii) Contribution of major groups and other relevant stakeholders *(Panel discussions on items 3 (c), 3 (c) (i), (ii), (iii), to be followed by interactive discussions\*\*)* | Item 3 (g) Monitoring, assessment and reporting:**(i) Global core set of forest-related indicators****(ii) Preparations for the Global Forest Resources Assessment 2025*** Introduction of Secretariat Note (E/CN.18/2023/5)
* Reporting on the outcome of the Global Workshop by its Co-Chairs
* Update by FAO on the preparations of Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) 2025I

*(General discussion on Item 3(g), 3(g) (i), (ii))* | Item 5: Emerging Issues*(Panel discussions on item 5, to be followed by interactive discussions)* | **Item 6. Date and venue for the nineteenth session of the Forum.****Item 7. Provisional agenda for the nineteenth session of the Forum.**Item 8. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its eighteenth sessionFirst meeting of the nineteenth session of the Forum*For the sole purpose of holding elections (if needed)* |

\* For additional information about UNFF18, including the provisional agenda & annotation (: E/CN.18/2023/1), and other official documents, please see: [www.un.org/esa/forests/forum/index.html](https://www.un.org/esa/forests/forum/index.html)

\*\* CPF Chair, a representative from regional partners, major groups and private sector will be part of this panel.
\*\*\* Consideration of items 6 to 8 and the conclusion of the work of UNFF18 may take place during the morning meeting on 12 May depending on the progress in the Forum’s work.