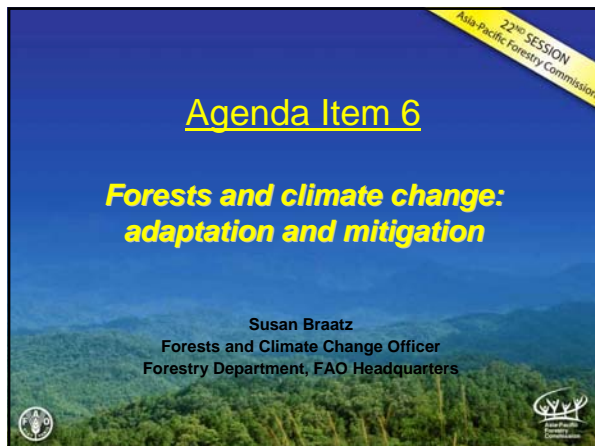




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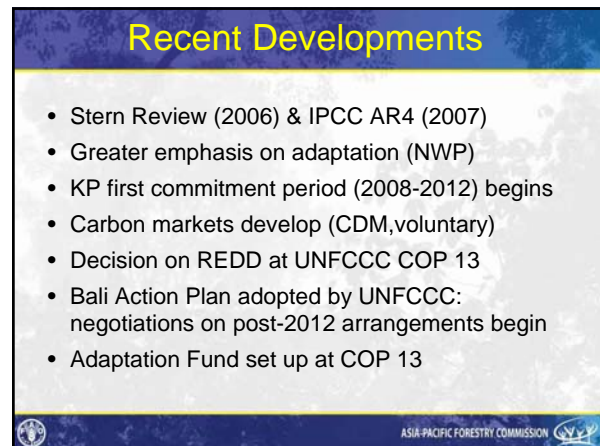


Forests and climate change: adaptation and mitigation

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Recent Developments

- Stern Review (2006) & IPCC AR4 (2007)
- Greater emphasis on adaptation (NWP)
- KP first commitment period (2008-2012) begins
- Carbon markets develop (CDM, voluntary)
- Decision on REDD at UNFCCC COP 13
- Bali Action Plan adopted by UNFCCC: negotiations on post-2012 arrangements begin
- Adaptation Fund set up at COP 13

Issues

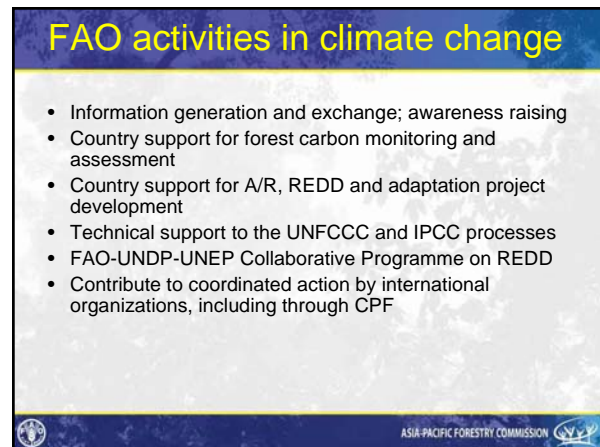


- Foresters not involved in negotiations
- SFM overlooked as basis for action
- Need for holistic approach
- REDD readiness needs
- Carbon rights and benefits distribution
- Mainstreaming forests into adaptation and adaptation into forests





FAO activities in climate change

- Information generation and exchange; awareness raising
- Country support for forest carbon monitoring and assessment
- Country support for A/R, REDD and adaptation project development
- Technical support to the UNFCCC and IPCC processes
- FAO-UNDP-UNEP Collaborative Programme on REDD
- Contribute to coordinated action by international organizations, including through CPF

Discussion items

- Enabling forestry community to engage in CC discussions
- Information generation and exchange
- Integrate CC mitigation & adaptation into NFPs and development plans
- REDD readiness
- Develop policies and systems for PES
- Carbon project support

