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10 Years of REDD+: Outcomes and Socio-Ecological Impacts

Global Forest Expert Panels (GFEP) Programme

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ABSTRACT

IUFRO's GFEP produces follow-up studies of previous global assessments that update the latest knowledge available to support intergovernmental processes. The first of these studies follows up on the global assessment report on Biodiversity, Forest Management and REDD+ published in 2012. The mechanism "Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation (REDD+)" aims to value carbon stored in forests and create incentives for developing countries to step up efforts in sustainable forest management.

Since GFEP launched the initial global assessment on REDD+, the implementation of this mechanism has increased rapidly. Simultaneously, global discussions and negotiations on climate change and biodiversity continue, impacting the REDD+ mechanism. This new follow-up assessment will examine the main aspects of the topic and analyse and synthesise respective scientific information along with lessons learned since 2012. It aims to address questions such as, how have the governance and operationalization of REDD+ changed? What are the outcomes and influences on carbon, biodiversity, and well-being of implementing REDD+? What challenges is the mechanism facing? What are the lessons learnt and possible pathways into the future? Emerging findings of the study will be shared by Dr Bhaskar Vira, a leading author of the publication.

KEYWORDS

- Sustainable Forest Management
- Climate Change
- Biodiversity

SPEAKERS

Dr Bhaskar Vira

is the Head of Department and Professor of Political Economy at the Department of Geography, University of Cambridge. His work focuses on the political economy of environment and development, particularly, often-hidden costs of environmental and developmental processes, and the need for scholarship to draw attention to the distributional consequences of public policy choices. In 2018, Dr Vira was honoured with the Royal Geographical Society's Busk Medal.

Dr Vira has contributed to several IUFRO-led Global Forest Expert Panels. He is an author of GFEP's follow-up study on REDD+ as well as the REDD+ global assessment of 2012.



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