

Don't Ignore Drylands:

Restoring the Forests of Continental Asia



Sunday, 2 December 2018, GLF Bonn

09:00 – 11:00, Room Nairobi 1-2

Recently, countries in the Caucasus and Central Asia made a commitment to bring 2.5 million ha into restoration under the Bonn challenge by 2030. The demographic, economic, environmental and climatic changes that take place in the region clearly warrant accelerated action. This session, led as a moderated dialogue, will revolve around the ways and means to implement forest landscape restoration on the ground, from policy to practice, in specific countries.

Opening remarks with presentation of the Astana Declaration

Jochen Flasbarth, State Secretary, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, and Nuclear Safety (BMU), Germany, *tbc*

Republic of Korea's Support to Forest Landscape Restoration in Continental Asia

Lee Chang Jae, President of the National Institute of Forest Science (NIFoS) of the Republic of Korea

Outcomes of the Caucasus and Central Asia FLR Capacity Development Workshop

Stewart Maginnis, Global Director, Nature Based Solutions Group (IUCN)

Restoration Challenges in Continental Asia

John Stanturf, Estonian University of Life Sciences and International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)

Zooming into FLR Implementation: Moderated dialogues at four country tables

Khosro Sageb-Talebi, Research Institute of Forests and Rangelands, Iran

Yuliya Borissova, Kazakh National Agrarian University, Kazakhstan

Muslim Rajapbaev, Forest Institute of National Academy of Sciences, Kyrgyzstan

Nyam-Osor Batkhoo, National University of Mongolia, Mongolia

Introducing the 30x30 Initiative

Paola Agostini, Lead Natural Resources Management Specialist, World Bank

Key messages from the country table dialogues

John Stanturf (IUFRO)

