



one of the three assessment reports will be held separately, according to the programme of work for the meeting. In this respect, following the presentation of each assessment report by the consultant, experts would be invited to share their views on the findings and suggestions contained in the relevant assessment report, and/or seek clarification from consultants. The experts also were invited to share their own suggestions and proposals related to the topic of the assessment report. The Co-Chairs informed that following the conclusion of the discussions of the EGM, a draft Co-Chairs' summary of key suggested actions on the three areas of assessment would be shared with participants for further discussions during the last day of the meeting.

5 The Co-Chair invited Ms. Stephanie Caswell to present her assessment report. Ms. Caswell made a power point presentation on Assessment G, "Actions related to UNF contributions to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". She briefly reviewed the three G-actions contained in the Annex to ECOSOC resolution 2022/17 and the sources of information for the assessment, which included responses to the consolidated questionnaire circulated by the UNFIS Chair to elicit views from Member States and partners on the range actions. J J ld

- d The interlinkages of forests and SDGs are not limited to SDG15. It is useful for countries and stakeholders to be aware of the contribution of forests to all SDGs, and to the principle of leaving no one behind, and to best use the relevant FAO data to highlight such contributions. In this respect, it might be useful to do some

- n Countries should initiate engagement of MGs in the implementation process of the GIGs and SDGs and should also encourage to support engagement of MGs in the work of the UNEF**
- o Scientific knowledge plays an important role in highlighting the interlinkages of forests and the SDGs. It is necessary to use the existing scientific reports on their interlinkages, including those reports prepared by**

respective countries and communities in promoting SFM, development and management of forest related projects, and mobilization of resources and investment on forests

- b There is a need to have an analysis on the work of these partners, especially, their successes in their work, the areas that they need support. It is equally important to support the capacity of these partners, including by building their reporting capacity on the GFCs and SDGs
- c There has been great work done by many of regional and subregional partners in supporting their members and communities, which need to be shared with other regions and subregions. Many donors have also



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**16 To further improve the engagement of the regional and subregional partners in the work of UNEF, the regional and subregional partners are invited to sustain support to countries in respective regions to prepare them for UNEF and related sessions under other conventions and frameworks where forests feature strongly and to domesticate the global IAF objectives and related UNEF decisions to their reality.**

**17 To establish or strengthen processes/platforms for achieving SEM, the regional and subregional partners are invited to**

- a Consider pursuing engagement of regional or subregional financial institutions, such as regional development/investment banks to expand collaboration on issues related to forests and to attract funding for their forest-related activities and participation in relevant meetings.**

