and modification to the amended reporting format, and ii) suggestions to advance the work on selected indictors of the Global Core Set of forest related indicators for reporting on progress towards the GFGs.

- 6. The workshop will be held from 22 to 24 March 2023 in a hybrid format, at FAO headquarters in Rome, Italy. This workshop includes an in-person and virtual components. The daily meetings will be held from 9.30 am to 12:30pm, and from 2:00pm to 5:00pm local, Rome time. Arrangements will be also made to allow participants who wish to do so, to join the meeting through virtual means. The draft programme of work for the workshop is contained in the annex to this concept note. The meeting will be conducted in English. The meeting will be co-chaired by two Co-Chairs to be elected by participating experts in the workshop.
- 7. The workshop participants consist of experts from countries and CPF member organizations, who work on forest inventory, forest related data collection and reporting, and have a good knowledge of forest related reporting requirements to UNFF and/or FAO. All participants are expected to be familiar with the GFGs and targets of the UNSPF and the reporting requirements of the UNFF. Relevant experts from Member States who were directly involved in preparing national reports to UNFF15 and/or are involved in the pilot phase for the use of the amended reporting format, are particularly welcome to join this workshop. The Members of the Forum should send their nominations to the UNFF Secretariat through an official letter via respective Permanent Missions in New York, by CPF nominations should be sent directly to the Secretariat by the respective head of entity using the entity's official letterhead. All communications should be sent to unff@un.org, with a copy to Ms. Edith Niamke at: niamke@un.org and Mr. Tomasz Juszczak at: juszczakt@un.org
- 8. Relevant background documents are as follows:
  - Amended format for voluntary national reporting on progress towards the implementation of UNSPF
  - UNSPF (https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N17/184/62/PDF/N1718462.pdf?OpenElement
  - Status of, and trends in, the Global Core Set of Forest-related Indicators (https://www.fao.org/documents/card/en/c/cb9963en/)
  - An assessment of uptake of the Global Core Set of Forest-related Indicators (https://www.fao.org/documents/card/en/c/cc2223en)
  - The number of forest-and-tree-proximate people: A new methodology and global estimates: https://www.fao.org/3/cc2544en/cc2544en.pdf
  - Forest sector contribution to national economies 2015: The direct, indirect and induced effects on value added, employment and labour income: Forest sector contribution to national economies 2015 (fao.org)
  - Contribution of the forest sector to total employment in national economies: Estimating the number of people employed in the forest sector: wcms\_862429.pdf (ilo.org)
- 9. Very limited resources are available to support the travel of one expert from eligible countries on a first-come, first-served basis and until the resources are available. Request for such travel support should be included in the official letter of expert nomination and sent to the UNFF Secretariat no later than . Due to administrative constraints, requests for travel support received after abovementioned deadline will not be considered for possible travel support.
- 10. For all issues related to the registration and travel support, please contact Ms. Edith Niamke at: <a href="mailto:niamke@un.org">niamke@un.org</a> with cc to Mr. Tomasz Juszczak at: <a href="mailto:juszczakt@un.org">juszczakt@un.org</a>.