

Statement from the CBD Secretariat to the 1st Open ended Intergovernmental AHEG Group on

currently on ecosystem conservation and restoration in a landscape context.

This work has helped countries to translate commitments into practical actions that address not only the conservation and sustainability of biodiversity but also contribute to food security, jobs, livelihoods and broader socio-economic objectives.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As a member of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests, the CBD stands ready to contribute to your discussions that shape the next phase of the International Arrangement on Forests and of the CPF itself.

We believe that the CPF has proven to be a useful mechanism to enhance cooperation and coordination on forest issues and to avoid duplication of work among its members. We believe that a renewed CPF could play an enhanced role in supporting the practical implementation of all