

Global Landscapes Forum 2017
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Context

Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) and its multiple contributions to sustainable livelihoods, food security, resilience, the environment including ecosystem services, biodiversity and climate change build on strong and diverse partnerships at international, regional, national and subnational levels. FLR integrates different forms of land use and the respective stakeholders under the “landscape” approach, as bringing back trees and shrubs to degraded forests and landscapes makes for more productive, resilient and healthy landscapes even under a changing climate.

The Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) have joined forces in addressing FLR from their respective perspectives: livelihoods/ development agenda and biodiversity/ climate change agenda. Both ministries have a leading role in two related FLR initiatives: the African Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative (AFR100) and the Bonn Challenge.

While the Bonn Challenge and the New York Declaration on Forests (NYDF) represent important platforms and initiatives contributing to the global restoration movement, political and technical regional initiatives like those regional Bonn Challenge high level meetings in Africa, Asia and Latin America and the AFR100-Initiative and the Latin American 20x20-Initiative are successful, stimulating new partnerships and perform implementation platforms of voluntary commitments.

The Landscape initiatives

In the spirit of the Global Landscapes Forum, the common BMZ/BMUB Pavilion provides information about the following landscape initiatives:

- the global restoration agenda, namely the Bonn Challenge supported by BMUB
- the AFR100 Initiative by BMZ, as a regional implementation platform for FLR in Africa
- the special initiative “One World - No hunger”, launched by Minister Gerd Müller, BMZ, with the objective to strengthen the resilience of people in rural areas, increase food security, and fight poverty by developing multi-functional landscapes

- the International Climate Initiative (IKI) by BMUB as a key element of Germany's climate financing and the funding commitments in the framework of the Convention on Biological Diversity
- Additionally, civil society organizations supported by BMZ and BMUB display information on ongoing projects.

Meeting Space Program

Besides the thematic booths, the German Pavilion offers an extensive framework program in the form of presentations, inputs and discussions to several related topics such as:

- Spotlights from the AFR100 Initiative: experiences in scaling-up FLR in Madagascar and Togo
- Integrated soil fertility management as a basis for resilient, productive landscapes
- Sustainable landscape management in a territorial development perspective – contributions to rural transformation processes
- How ecosystem services can help to plan and finance a landscape approach
- FLR as a contribution to economic development and stability in Northern Afghanistan
- Restoring degraded landscapes: the role of private capital
- Contribution of restoration to conflict management – case study from Indonesia

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