Report on the 2030 Agenda:
A unique opportunity for engaging forestry in constructive dialogue with agriculture?

Summary of a WFW event held on Wednesday 20th July 2016

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Event objective

To engage in an open and informal discussion on how forestry can help catalyse a dialogue and promote joint actions with other agricultural sectors in the context of achieving stronger impact on key SDG targets.

Agenda

Keynote: Implementing the 2030 Agenda across agriculture, forestry and fisheries: key issues and opportunities for action
Eva Muller *(Director, Forestry, FAO), in behalf of M.H. Semedo, FAO Deputy Director General*

Panel and open discussion
- Rekha Pai (Inspector General of Forests, Ministry of Environment and Forests, India): *Planting trees in agricultural landscapes*
- Deniz Randolfo Garcia (Deputy Director, National Forest Institute, Guatemala): *agroforestry in the Dry Corridor in Mesoamerica*
- Abderrahim Houmy (Secretary General, Moroccan High Commission for Water, Forests and Combating Desertification); *The nexus of water and forestry*
- Emilio Mugo (Director, Kenya Forest Service), *agroforestry*

Highlights

a. The SDGs play an important role for integration across sectors and stakeholders in countries

b. There is a strong need for political will and leadership at national level

c. There is a need to identify common interest, governance mechanisms for dialogue and cooperation - and for addressing conflicts of interest

d. Coordination is needed across government bodies, but also with different actors – including civil society and the private sector

e. Local institutions and communities need to be involved; local extension services to farmers, education and research needs to address agriculture-forest- fisheries in an integrated way (be market-oriented and generate new businesses).

f. A common vision on sustainability in the country (on the 2030 Agenda and SDGs), and a common vision developed and shared by different key players across agriculture, forestry and fisheries in the country strongly facilitates coordination and collaboration

Thank you