



## Round table

# SMALL FOREST ENTERPRISES - BIG PLAYERS!

**Weds, October 21st**

**12:45 a.m. – 14:15 pm**

**Venue: Yellow Pavilion  
Algarrobo room**

### Summary

Small forest enterprises are hugely significant to poverty reduction and environmental management in developing country forest sectors. But they are frequently overlooked and isolated from each other, markets, service providers and policy processes.

This side event will bring together country representatives of two alliances championing their rights: The Forest Connect alliance led by IIED/FAO and the Forest Governance Learning Group (FGLG) led by IIED. Together, these initiatives are seeking to improve governance frameworks affecting small forest enterprises and to better link small forest enterprises in ways that deliver sustainable competitive advantage.

The purpose will be to hear how policy impact is being achieved, review a new toolkit on the facilitation of support to small forest enterprises, and showcase practical action by partners of these alliances in different countries.



| Time         | Topic  | Speaker   |
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| <b>12:45</b> | Opening remarks  | Duncan Macqueen                                 |
| <b>12:50</b> | Film clip from Uganda on governance for SMFEs  | James Mayers                                    |
| <b>13:00</b> | Practical forest governance for small enterprise - The work of the Forest Governance Learning Group (FGLG)   | James Mayers and Bashir Twesigye                |
| <b>13:10</b> | A toolkit for the facilitation of support to small forest enterprise prepared by the Forest Connect alliance | Duncan Macqueen, Alda Salomão and Daphne Hewitt |
| <b>13:30</b> | Country examples of support to small forest enterprises  | Sophie Grouwels and Bishma Subedi               |
| <b>13:50</b> | Plenary discussion   | Duncan Macqueen, Chair                          |
| <b>14:10</b> | Close  | Sophie Grouwels                                 |