G8 Illegal Logging Dialogue

A global legislator partnership for legal and sustainable forestry

1\textsuperscript{st} Update Meeting on Illegal Logging and Associated Trade
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Dr Mike Packer, Programme Director, GLOBE International
Update

- purpose of GLOBE International
- aim and objectives of the G8 Illegal Logging Dialogue
- structure and process of the Dialogue
- progress to date
- policy opportunities
"I am delighted that GLOBE in partnership with the Com + Alliance has created a forum for legislators from the G8 and major emerging economies to discuss these important issues in an open and frank manner. Importantly, I note that the GLOBE Dialogues will shadow the G8 discussions and will make regular contributions. Legislators have a crucial role in raising awareness, encouraging debate in their constituencies and, of course, holding their leaders to account."

Rt Hon Tony Blair MP
United Kingdom Prime Minister

the dialogues

G8 + 5 CLIMATE CHANGE

G8 ILLEGAL LOGGING

MILLENNIUM ECOSYSTEM
G8 Illegal Logging Dialogue

"Through improved governance and sustainable management, forests can become better sources of revenue for developing countries, spreading the benefits to the millions of people who depend on them for some portion of their livelihoods. Through an inclusive, open and honest debate the G8 Illegal Logging Dialogue will make a significant contribution."

Ms Katherine Sierra
World Bank Vice President for Sustainable Development
Legislator-driven policy action

- partnership of committed individuals
- forum outside formal international negotiating structures
- informal approach allowing freedom of expression of views
- resources for development of options that push the boundaries of what has so far been possible
Dialogue aim

• facilitate a high-level legislator dialogue that involves the private sector and civil society representatives

• agree practical policy actions to address illegal logging and sustainable forest management

• deliver Dialogue outcomes to G8 Heads of State, EU, UN, World Bank, bilateral summits, national governments
Dialogue participants

• legislators from:
  – all G8 countries
  – Brazil
  – Cameroon
  – China
  – Democratic Republic of Congo
  – Gabon
  – Ghana
  – India
  – Indonesia
  – Malaysia
  – Peru
  – Papua New Guinea
  – Republic of Congo
  – European Parliament

• senior representatives from progressive timber industry

• civil society organisations
Dialogue process

LEGISLATORS FORUM

International Advisory Board

Working Groups

GLOBE International Secretariat & Com+
Dialogue focus – Working Groups

**Governance** – forest sector transparency
- *Chair* Hon Barry Gardiner, UK Minister for Biodiversity, Landscape & Rural Affairs
- *Lead organisation* World Resources Institute

**Markets** – public & private sector procurement
- *Chair* Hon Toshikatsu Matsuoka, Japan Minister of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries
- *Lead organisation* IGES (supported by Chatham House)

**Finance** – finance for SFM and alternative value
- *Chair* Hon Prof Elvis Ngolle Ngolle MP, Cameroon Minister of Forests & Wildlife
- *Lead organisation* Forest Trends

**Legislation** – ‘illegal timber’ import controls
- *Chair* (invited)
- *Lead organisation* Chatham House
Berlin Legislators Forum

- discussion of draft policy papers
- preparation of policy statement (key outcome)
- definition of work programme leading to Tokyo Legislators Forum in 2008
- consideration of forest, climate change and ecosystem service linkages (the Dialogues)
Key Dialogue meetings

• 3-4 June 2007 Berlin Legislators Forum
• October 2007 International Advisory Board (Washington DC)
• March 2008 International Advisory Board (Yaounde, Cameroon – proposed)
• July 2008 Tokyo Legislators Forum
• October 2008 Concluding Forum (Washington DC)
Further information

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