



COFO Side Event
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SFM and REDD+

Two discourses – one ultimate goal

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Presentation structure

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- A photograph of a lush green forest with a waterfall cascading into a pool of water. The water is a vibrant green color, and the surrounding trees are dense and green. The waterfall is located in the center-left of the image, and the pool of water is in the foreground.
- Sustainable forest management (SFM)
 - SFM and REDD+
 - Where we go from here

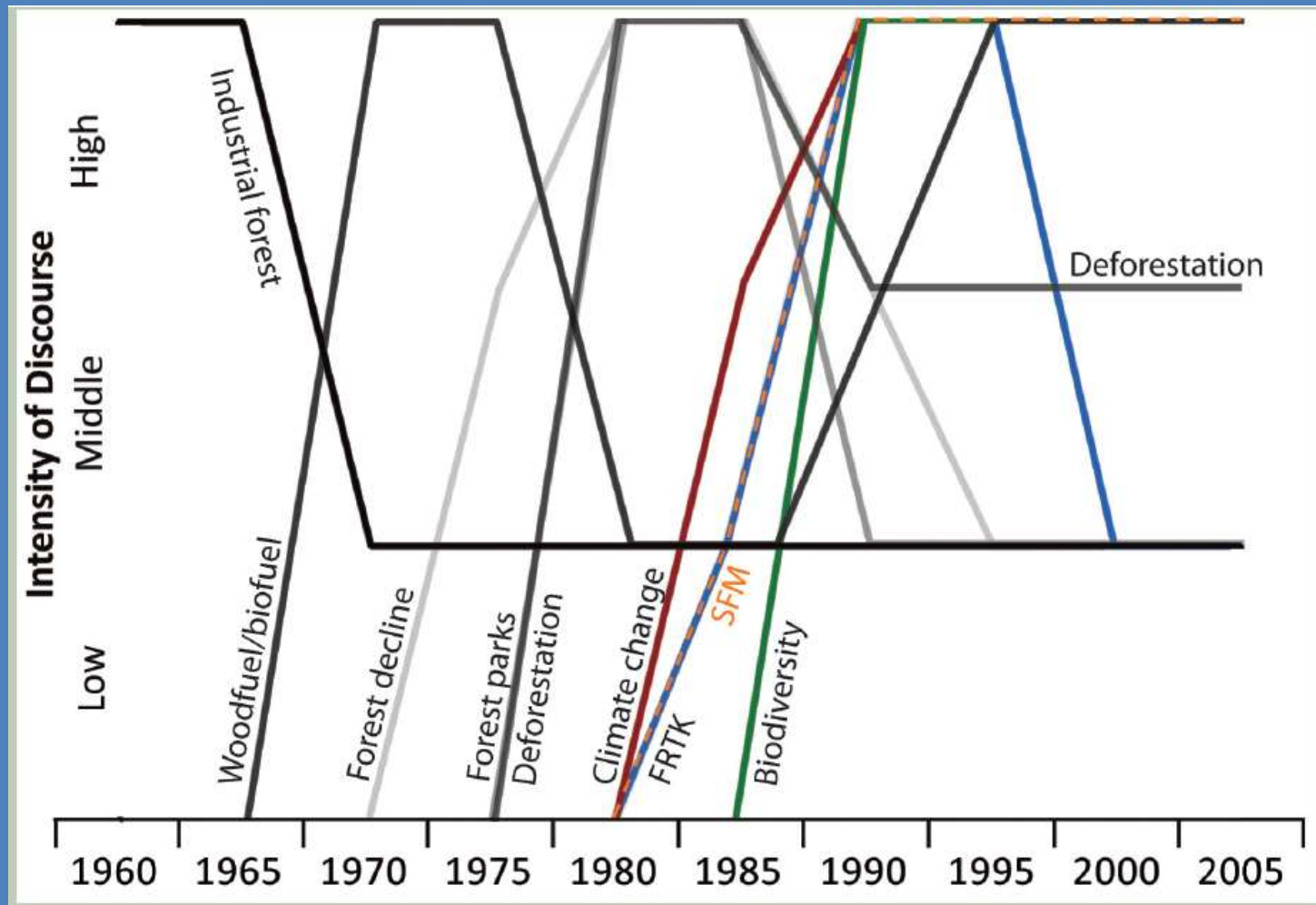
Definition of sustainable forest management

- No single definition of SFM

“[a] dynamic and evolving concept [that] aims to maintain and enhance the economic, social and environmental values of all types of forests, for the benefit of present and future generations.”

Source: United Nations General Assembly in the Non-legally Binding Instrument on All Types of Forests (NLBI)

SFM is a discourse



Seven thematic areas of SFM

1. Extent of forest resources
2. Forest biological diversity
3. Forest health and vitality
4. Productive functions of forest resources
5. Protective functions of forest resources
6. Socio-economic functions of forest resources
7. Legal, policy and institutional framework

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REDD+ activities

- Reducing emissions from deforestation
- Reducing emissions from forest degradation
- Conservation of forest carbon stocks
- Sustainable management of forests
- Enhancement of forest carbon stocks



Cancun Agreements (UNFCCC CoP 16)



The Cancun Safeguards for REDD+

- **Consistency with national forest programmes** and relevant international conventions and agreements
- Transparent/effective national forest **governance**
- Respect for the knowledge and **rights of indigenous peoples and local communities**
- Full and **effective participation** of relevant stakeholders, in particular indigenous peoples and local communities
- **Conservation of natural forests** and biological diversity and enhancement of other **social and environmental benefits**
- Risks of reversals
- Displacement of emissions

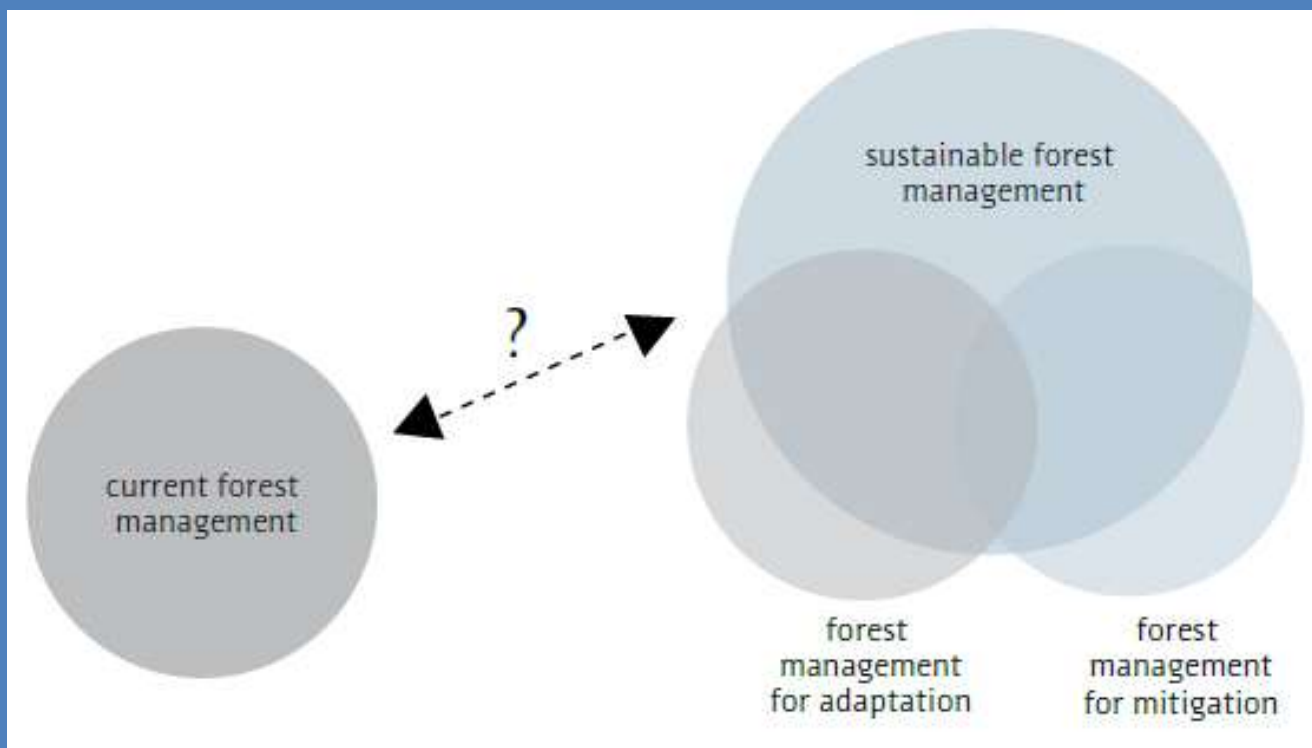


Commonalities of SFM and REDD+

- High importance on (sustaining) forests – *forests matter!*
- Tackling deforestation and degradation
- Emphasis on ecosystem integrity
- Recognition of the multiple functions of forests
- Importance of policies and governance
- Require support from local people!

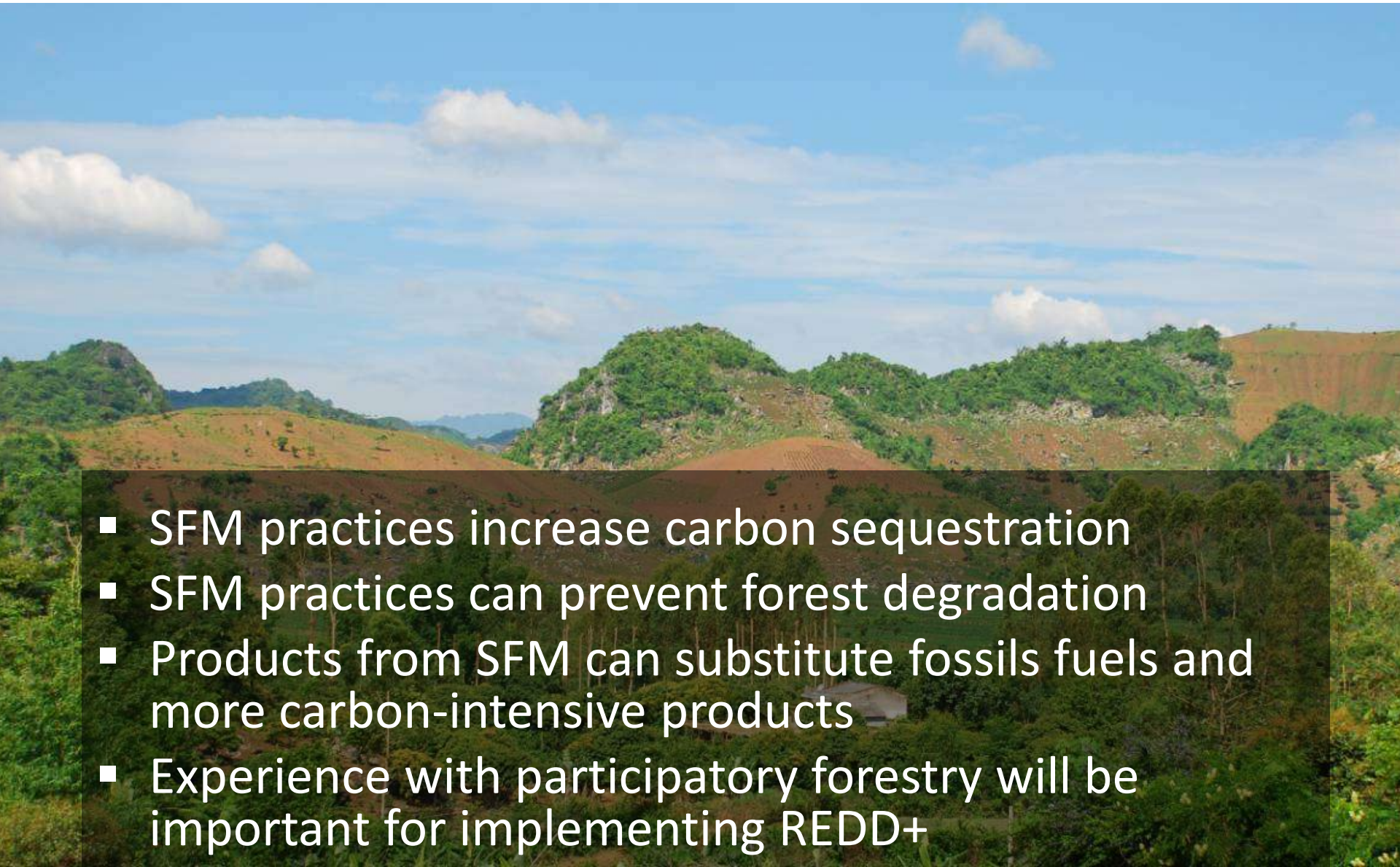


SFM and REDD+




We won't succeed with our forestry-related climate change objectives without SFM.

How can SFM enhance REDD+ goals?

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- SFM practices increase carbon sequestration
 - SFM practices can prevent forest degradation
 - Products from SFM can substitute fossil fuels and more carbon-intensive products
 - Experience with participatory forestry will be important for implementing REDD+

How can REDD+ enhance SFM goals?

What are we doing differently?

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- With increased funding flows, REDD+ brings forestry to center stage
 - More and better information about forests and forest resources than ever before
 - Engagement with wider range of sectors and actors
 - Renewed emphasis on governance, incl. tenure
 - REDD+ provides opportunity for engagement of local communities and IPs, (e.g. FPIC, gender perspectives)

A major challenge!

- Moving REDD+ beyond a forest protection (preservation) mentality to fully embrace sound management, utilization, and enhancement of forest carbon stocks
- To date, most REDD+ attention (and \$) have focused on reducing deforestation; considerably less on the second “D” and the “+”
- Positive push: “Green Economy”? green building? green jobs?
- Can be done: Japan, Korea, China, Vietnam experiences

An aerial photograph of a river meandering through a dense, lush green forest. The river is light-colored, possibly due to sand or silt, and forms several distinct loops and curves. The surrounding forest is a deep, vibrant green, covering the entire landscape. The text "Thank You" is overlaid in the center of the image.

Thank You