Addressing food security and nutrition requires a holistic perspective. Recognizing the 2014 International Year of Family Farming (IYFF), the 22nd Session of the Committee on Forestry (COFO 22), hailed the vital role of forests and the “unique” combination of forests and family farming as being crucial for ensuring food security and nutrition. The side event will demonstrate the interconnection of forests and farms at the landscape level. It will emphasize the important role of forests and trees in family farming and food security through the direct provision of nutritious food and by maintaining sustainable agricultural systems, thus ensuring local livelihoods.

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