



# **ITTO's Work Programme in Forest Fire Management in the Tropics**



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# About ITTO

- An intergovernmental organization created in 1983, under the auspices of UNCTAD.
- Operates under the International Tropical Timber Agreement (ITTA)
- The Secretariat is staffed by 37 people and located in Yokohama, **Japan**.



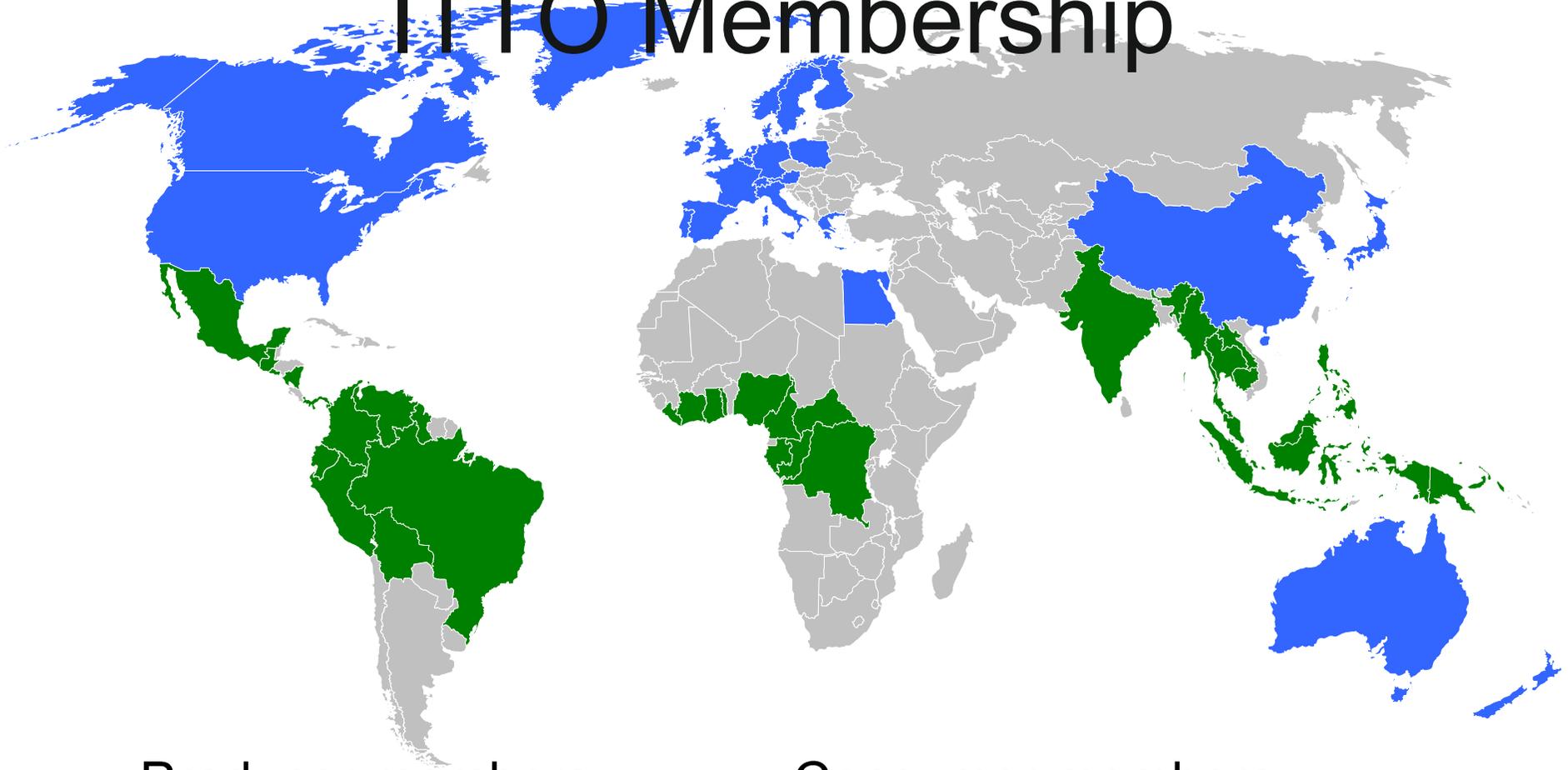
# ITTO represents

- 80% of the world's tropical forests...
- 90% of the world's tropical timber trade.

■ Producer members



# ITTO Membership



■ Producer members

■ Consumer members





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## ITTO Mandate

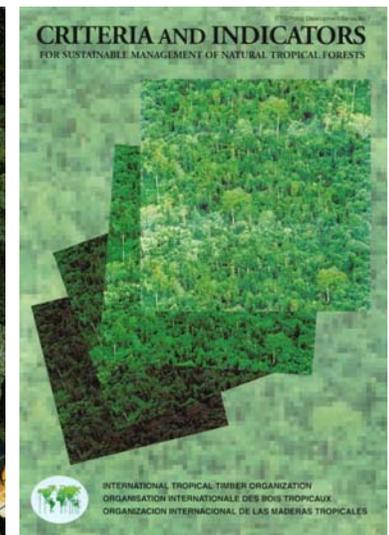
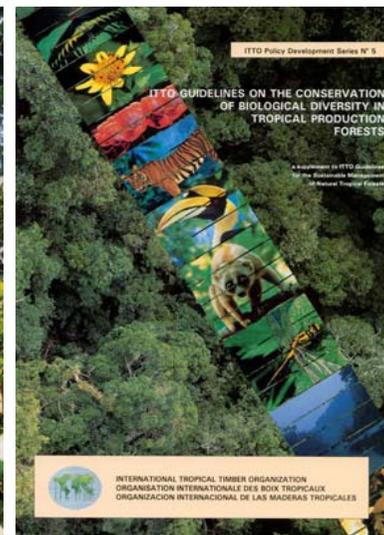
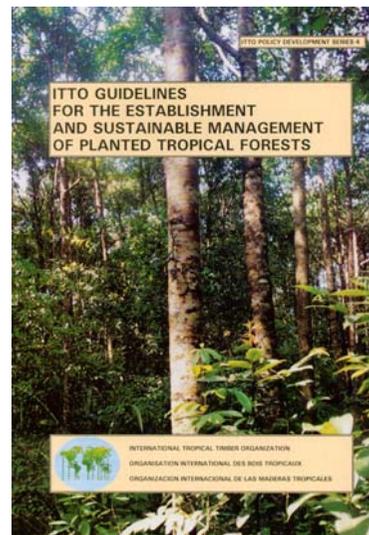
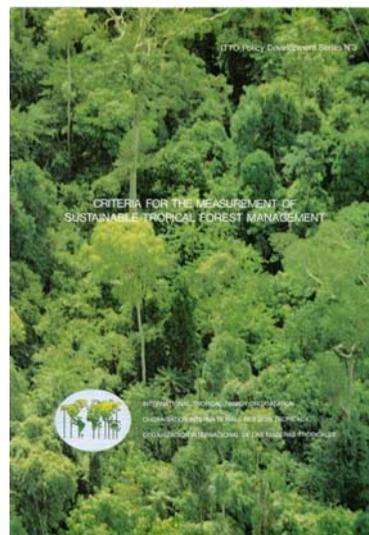
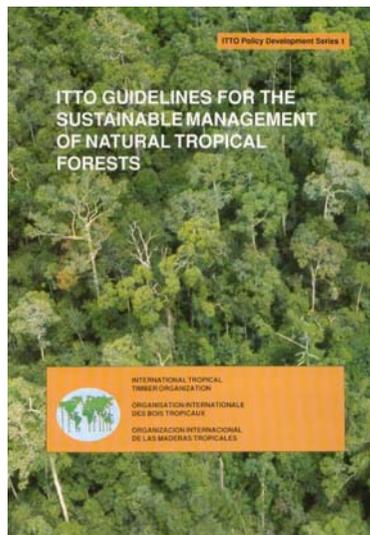
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*To promote sustainable development through trade, conservation and best-practice management of tropical forests*



# Policy work

- ITTO has published a series of guidelines relating to the sustainable management of the resource base (incl. on fire management)



# What has ITTO done on forest fire?

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## ITTO Action Plan

Contains several elements relevant to tropical forest fire management:

- **‘contribute to national and international efforts in the area of prevention and management of fire in relation to tropical timber-producing forests’**



## ITTO Action Plan

- ‘Encourage members, and assist them, where appropriate, to undertake measures for the prevention and management of fire’

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## ITTO Action Plan

- Other actions related to reduced impact logging, climate change, resource security, and sustainable forest management

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# Policy: ITTO Guidelines on Fire Management in Tropical Forests

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## Policy: Fire management guidelines

- Provide step-by-step process by which tropical countries can analyze their fire management situation and develop workable programs to deal with it

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## ITTO Project Field Work related to Fire

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- ITTO encourages its member countries to apply its Fire Guidelines
- ITTO has provided grants worth almost US\$ 7 million for fire-related activities directly in the field, where it matters the most
- To date 16 fire-related projects have been funded in tropical countries
- 4 field projects currently under way





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# ITTO Fire Projects in the Field

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## AFRICA

- Cote D'Ivoire
- Ghana
- Togo

## ASIA

- China
- Indonesia
- Malaysia
- Philippines

## LATIN AMERICA

- Colombia
- Guatemala
- Panama
- Peru

# ITTO Projects on Fire Management

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## Project PD 284/04 Rev.2 (F)

### Fire-Management and Post-Fire Restoration with Local Community Collaboration in Ghana



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## Project PD 441/07 Rev.2 (F)

### Institutional Strengthening of ANAM for Integrated Fire Management in the Tropical Forests of Panama



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## Project PD 590/10 (F)

**Establishment of Pilot Sites for the  
Implementation of Sustainable  
Integrated Fire Management Practices in  
Rural Community Areas of the Republic  
of Guatemala**



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## **Pre-project PPD 153/11 Rev.1 (F)**

**Forest Fire Prevention through the Implementation of Regional Actions with the Participation of Local Communities and other Stakeholders so as to Ensure the Protection of Forests and Ecosystem Services in Colombia**





# Future cooperation

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## Future cooperation

**Continue to support field projects proposed by our member countries**

**Provide support for the organization of workshops on fire management and the 6<sup>th</sup> International Wildland Fire Conference in Korea 2015**

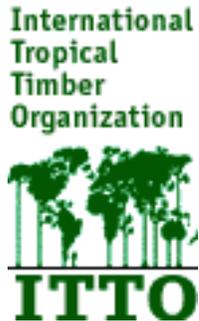
**Revise the current ITTO Guidelines on Fire Management so as to incorporate Climate Change & REDD considerations**

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## Future cooperation



**Potential support to the Amazon Cooperation Organization with a view to establishing transboundary/regional collaboration on Fire Management and Prevention between its member countries**



**Thank you for your attention!**

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