

International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO) Side Event: Putting a Brake on Wildfire

Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea, 15 October 2015, 12:00 – 13:00

AGENDA

Chair: John Leigh (International Tropical Timber Organization – ITTO)

Co-Chair: Johann Georg Goldammer (Global Fire Monitoring Center – GFMC)

1. Opening remarks (12:00-12:05)

John Leigh (International Tropical Timber Organization – ITTO)

2. Reports from ITTO Member Producer Countries (12:05-12:45)

- History, Achievements and Prospects of the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)
Projects Related to Fire Management: A Review
Johann Georg Goldammer (GFMC) (10 min)
- Forest Fire Management Interventions in Ghana: The Role of ITTO-funded Projects
Lucy Amissah (CSIR-Forestry Research Institute of Ghana – FORIG, Kumasi, Ghana) and
Richard Kuntah Ninnoni (Ghana Forestry Commission, Regional Management Support Center –
RMSC, Kumasi, Ghana) (10 min)
- Background, Achievements and the Role of the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)
Projects Related to Fire Management in Indonesia: A Review
Bambang Hero Saharjo (Forest Fire Laboratory, Forest Protection Division, Faculty of Forestry,
Bogor Agricultural University, Indonesia) (10 min)
- National Wildfire Strategies of Brazil: From Fire Prevention and Control to Integrated Fire
Management
Lara Steil (PREVFOGO / Ibama, Brazil) (10 min)

3. Discussion: Suggestions for the Conference Statement (12:45-13:00)

Background

Since the 1980s, ITTO has supported its producer member countries in wildfire monitoring, assessments, post-fire rehabilitation measures, community involvement in integrated fire management, and policy development, notably through the ITTO Forest Guidelines on Fire Management Tropical Forests developed in 1997. This side event, co-sponsored by the GFMC, will provide the international community with an excellent opportunity to share experiences and lessons learned and exchange views for our further work in forest fire management.

