

Global Fire Management Hub – 2nd Workshop
The operation of the Global Wildland Fire Regional Networks and Centers in connection with the Fire Hub
Tuesday 19 March 2024 – Thursday 21 March 2024
FAO Headquarters - Rome

Day 1 – 19 March Opening and Overview Sessions

Time	Session agenda	Session info	Speaker / questions
10:00-12:00	Opening Session FAO – Opening remarks	Hybrid Azerbaijan room	Speaker: Wu Zhimin, Director, NFO – opening remarks
	Germany/BMEL	Moderator: Amy Duchelle	Speaker: Matthias Schwoerer, Head of Division, European and International Forest Policy, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (online)
	Korea Forest Service		Speaker: Manju Kim, Director of Forest Fire Prevention and Control Division (video intervention)
	Canada		Speaker: Julie Émond, Alternate Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Canada to the FAO
	Portugal		Speaker: Tiago M. Oliveira, AGIF (online)
	United States Agency for International Development (USAID)		Speaker: Scott Dehnisch, Wildfire Response Coordinator
	Council of Europe		Speaker: Krzysztof Zyman, Executive Secretary, European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA) (online)
	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)		Speaker: Sylvie Goyet, Deputy Coordinator and Head of Environmental Activities Office of the Coordinator for OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (OCEEA) (online)
	Audience Q&A		Audience Q&A

	FAO - Global Fire Management Hub		Speaker: Lara Steil, Fire Management Officer
	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)		Speaker: Francesco Gaetani, Science Policy Sub-Programme /Regional Coordinator
	World Meteorological Organization (WMO)		Speaker: Sara Basart, Scientific Officer (online)
	United States Forest Service (USFS)		Speaker: Gordon Sachs, Acting Delegation Head of NAFC Fire Management Working Group / International Liaison Committee
	Global Fire Monitoring Center (GFMC)		Speaker: Johann G. Goldammer, Director, GFMC Coordinator, GWFN
12:00-13:30	Lunch Break		
13.30-17.00	Regional Networks / Centers	Hybrid Azerbaijan room Moderator: Bill DeGroot	Presentations on (a) Regional challenges, (b) status of networks and centers (c) suggestions for FAO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • needs from the regional / institutional perspectives • challenges to and opportunities for the Fire Hub
13:30-14:00	Model Forest Network		Speakers: Rich Verbisky, Head, International Model Forest Network Secretariat Toni Ventre & Elisabetta Gravano, Mediterranean Model Forest Network Secretary
14:00-14:15	International Fire Aviation Working Group		Speaker: Riccardo Filippi, IFAWG Secretariat
14:15-14:30	Expert Groups on Forest Fires in Europe and Latin America; Global Observations of Forest Cover and Land-use Dynamics (GOFC–GOLD)		Speaker: Jesús San-Miguel-Ayanz, Senior Researcher, European Commission Joint Research Center (online)

14:30-14:45	Central Asia Network & RFMRC-CAR		Speaker: Oyunsanaa Byambasuren, Coordinator, Regional Central Asia Wildland Fire Network, Head of FMRC-CAR
14:45-15:00	South East Asia Network & RFMRC-SEA		Speaker: Bambang Hero Saharjo, Director (RFMRC-SEA), Coordinator, Regional South East Asia Wildland Fire Network
15:00-15:15	South Asia Network		Speaker: Sundar Prasad Sharma, Coordinator, Regional South Asia Wildland Fire Network
15:15-16:00	Coffee break		
16:00-16:15	Eurasia / Eastern Europe & REEFMC	Hybrid Azerbaijan room	Speaker: Oleksandr Soshenskyi, Coordinator, Regional Eastern Europe / Eurasia Wildland Fire Network
16:15-16:30	Southeast Europe / Caucasus Network & RFMC	Moderator: Peter Moore	Speaker: Nikola Nikolov, Coordinator, Regional Southeast Europe / Caucasus Wildland Fire Network Director, RFMC
16:30-16:45	Mediterranean Network		Speaker: Elena Hernandez Paredes, Coordinator, FAO Silva Mediterranea Forest Fire Working Group
16:45-17:00	Euro-Alpine		Speaker: Harald Vacik, Coordinator, Sub-Regional Euro-Alpine Wildland Fire Network (online)

Day 2 – 20 March

10:00-12:00	Regional Networks / Centers	Hybrid Azerbaijan room Moderator: Petteri Vuorinen	Presentations on (a) Regional challenges, (b) status of networks and centers (c) suggestions for FAO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • needs from the regional / institutional perspectives • challenges to and opportunities for the Fire Hub
10:00-10:15	Subsahara / Western Africa & RWA-FMRC		Speaker: Lucy Amissah, Head, RWA-FMRC

10:15-10:30	Subsahara / Eastern Africa & REEA-FMRC		Speaker: Harifidy Rakoto Ratsimba Head, REEA-FMRC
10:30-10:50	South America Network & RFMRC-SAR		Speakers: Mariana Senra de Oliveira, Coordinator, Regional South America Wildland Fire Network Divaldo Rezende, RFMRC-SAR
10:50-11:15	Coffee Break		
11:15-11:30	North America Network	Moderator: Francesco Gaetani	Speaker: Gordon Sachs, Acting Delegation Head of NAFC Fire Management Working Group
11:30-11:45	Australasian Network		Speaker: Stefan de Haan, Coordinator, Australasian Forest Fire Management Group (FFMG) (online)
11:45-12:00	Recap of all the network presentations		Speaker: Johann G. Goldammer, Director, GFMC Coordinator, GWFN
12:00-13:30	Lunch Break		
13:30-15:30	Technical Session: Discussion of institutional arrangements between the Fire Hub and the Regional Centers / Networks (I)	In-person Azerbaijan room	
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break		
16:00-17:00	IDF Side Event – Innovations in fire management: integrating traditional knowledge and science in fire danger rating and early warning systems	Hybrid Azerbaijan room Moderator: Lara Steil	Keynote: William de Groot, FAO Fire Specialist Panellists: Mongolia – Central Asia Wildland Fire Network (Oyunsanaa Byambasuren), Madagascar – Sub-Saharan East Africa Wildland Fire Network (Harifidy Rakoto Ratsimba), Sub-Saharan Western Africa Wildland Fire Network (Lucy Amisshah), Brazil – South America Wildland Fire Network (Mariana Senra de Oliveira), Indonesia – Southeast Asia Wildland Fire Network (Bambang Hero Saharjo)

Day 3 – 21 March

09.30- 12:00	Technical Session: Discussion of institutional arrangements between the Fire Hub and the Regional Centers / Networks (II)	In-person Azerbaijan room	
12.00-13.30	Lunch Break		