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The FSC plantations review:

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1. First some logistics...

- This room is the Lecture Theatre
- The *group sessions* will take place in two rooms upstairs
- Food and drink:
 - Morning coffee and lunch (V,M) upstairs
 - Afternoon coffee at the group sessions
 - Food and drink tickets in your packs
- The home team:
 - Sarah McKay, Adam Paulsen, Alan Smith, Jane Stewart, Deborah Sue
 - Anders Lindhe
- Evaluation forms in your packs
- Bonner Republik restaurant/biergarten from 6pm



2. The Group sessions

- A lot of you have come a long way to be here.
- We want to make sure *everyone* has the chance to contribute
 - Some time for questions at the end of each presentation
 - Panel discussion after lunch
 - Group sessions
- Credit to Friends of the Earth International for suggesting the following approach to our group sessions...



- We have 8 tables upstairs – so we are limited to 8 discussion groups. This is our main constraint.
- During the coffee break **this morning**, you need to choose the **topics** you most want to discuss in the group sessions
- The topics will then be grouped into **themes**, and each table will be the site for discussion of one theme...



Choosing the topics

DURING THE COFFEE BREAK:

- Write your name and a **topic** you would like to discuss on the coloured paper in your registration pack...
- Pin the paper on the pin-board in the coffee area...
- Please limit yourself to one or two topics/person...
- If someone else has proposed a topic you like, add your name to their bit of paper, or pin your paper near their paper...
- After the coffee break, we will group the proposed topics into 8 related **THEMES**...



DURING LUNCH:

- Please take a look at the 8 proposed **themes** –the pin-board will be available during lunch
- If you want to propose a revision to the themes, please let us know
- By the end of lunch, we must finalize the 8 themes



- Each table will have a Chair and a note-taker – who need to stay at the table
- Everyone else can move from table to table and take part in the discussions at each table
- At the end of the group session the Chair will make a brief report back to the meeting



The task for each group

- To identify the most important issues you want the FSC Plantations Review to address, related to the group theme
- To present these as clearly and simply as possible!



- Remember:
 - If you want to make sure that your topic is on the agenda, you need to propose it during the coffee break this morning



3. FSC and the FSC system



FSC's mission is to promote environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable management of the world's forests



Forests: An Environmental Issue

- **Half of the world's forests have been cleared to date,**
- **13 million hectares are lost every year and**
- **100 species disappear each day.**
- **25 per cent of the world's mammals and**
- **11 per cent of the bird species are at risk of extinction.**

Existing legal protection of forests is not enough to combat these trends.





Forests: A Social Issue

Over 90 percent of the 1.2 billion people living in extreme poverty depend on forests for some part of their livelihoods.

(World Bank)

Forests remain areas of ongoing social conflict as related to land use changes, indigenous people's rights, workplace and community relations.





Good forest managers are burdened with the sins of the industry's worst performers.

Boycotts and campaigns against bad forest managers have influenced perceptions of forest products and impacted markets for all forest products

A healthy economy is necessary to alleviate poverty



**FSC brings together people and organizations
to provide solutions for and to promote
responsible management of the world's forests.**



Plantations or Forests?

FSC Definition:

“Forest areas lacking most of the principal characteristics and key elements of native ecosystems, which result from the human activities of planting, sowing or intensive silvicultural treatments.”





PRINCIPLE 10: PLANTATIONS

Plantations shall be planned and managed in accordance with Principles and Criteria 1 - 9, and Principle 10 and its Criteria. While plantations can provide an array of social and economic benefits, and can contribute to satisfying the world's needs for forest products, they should complement the management of, reduce pressures on, and promote the restoration and conservation of natural forests.



The FSC Plantations Review – Bonn meeting

Objectives:

To engage stakeholders in improving the management of plantations worldwide

- ✓ **Identify issues and concerns**
- ✓ **Initiate a process for resolution**
- ✓ **Start to engage stakeholders in this process**





... because forests matter