

# Encounter

New Generation  
Plantations Platform  
10th Anniversary

2017 Encounter  
London-Edinburgh  
21st - 25th June

The role of planted  
forest in combating  
illegal logging  
and climate change

#NGP2017

# Detailed Programme





	Tuesday June, 20th 2017	Wednesday June, 21st 2017	Thursday June, 22nd 2017	Friday June, 23rd 2017	Saturday June, 24th 2017	Sunday June, 25th 2017
MORNING		<b>Chatham House, London</b>  How planted forests can help combat illegal logging		<b>Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Innovation</b>  The role of planted forests in climate resilient landscapes	<b>Perthshire</b>  Multi-stakeholders Dialogue on Climate Resilient Landscapes	<b>Perthshire</b>  Field visit on Integrated Forest Landscape
AFTERNOON	<b>The Royal Society, London</b>  <b>NGP annual meeting</b> (for NGP Participants only)	<b>Chatham House, London</b>  NGP 10th Anniversary event	<b>Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Innovation</b>  Opening session			
EVENING		<b>The Palace of Westminster</b>  Reception hosted by the All Party Parliamentary Group on Forestry (by invitation only)	<b>Edinburgh Castle Grand Hall</b>  Reception hosted by The Scottish Government			

# The role of planted forest in combating illegal logging and climate change

## Day 1- London Wednesday - 21st June 2017

### Morning Chair - Alison Hoare, Chatham House

- 09.15** Introduction and welcome to Chatham House. Its history and link to the illegal logging meeting previous day. – **Alison Hoare, Chatham House**
- 09.20** Introduction to the Encounter, its organisers, and purpose. – **Richard Howe, Forestry Commission**
- 09.30** Keynote addressing the role of the UK. – **Sir Harry Studholme, Chair of the Forestry Commission**
- 09.45** NGP and the link to combatting illegal logging, forest governance, and world demand for resources. – **Julia Young WWF**
- 10.15** The World Bank Group's programme to share best practice, promote re-forestation and development with examples from several countries. – **speaker David Campbell Gibson, International Finance Corporation (IFC)**
- 11.00** **Coffee**
- 11.30** Sustainability in business: the view of a major retail company. – **speaker Fiona Wheatley Marks and Spencer**
- 12.15** **Panel discussion and questions**
- 13.00** **Lunch**

### Afternoon Chair - Luis Silva WWF

- 14.00** Launch of the eBook 'New Generation Plantations 10 years'. Cécile Ndjebet, President from African Women's Network for Community Management of Forests.
- Outline of progress and retrospective since the launch of the initiative in Edinburgh in 2007. **Luis Silva, NGP Lead, WWF.**
  - Comment on the impacts of the NGP platform, evidence of change, outcomes and results that have been achieved within and the case for further improvement. **Peter Freer-Smith, from the IUFRO Task Force Sustainable Planted Forests for a Greener Future.**
- 14.45** The founders converse on what NGP has meant 'on-the-ground' over the ten years in the various geographies of the world, how it has improved forest practice and current challenges:
- Li Nuyun, China Green Carbon Foundation
  - Peter Gardiner, Mondi
  - Paula Guimarães, Navigator
  - Antti Marjorkorpi, Stora Enso
- 15.30** **Tea**
- 16.00** NGP and the future, an Ecosystem of Collaboration. This forward thinking panel will comment on their experience of collaboration with NGP and how they see the future:
- Chris Buchmore, Forest Stewardship Council;
  - Elizabeth Carvalhaes, Brazilian Trees Industry;
  - Adam Cosztanza, Institute of Forest Biosciences;
  - Gary Dunning, The Forests Dialogue.
- 16.45** **Panel discussion**
- 17.15** **Close**

### Evening - Formal Reception at The Palace of Westminster

- This event is by invitation only.**
- 18.45** Arrive at the Palace of Westminster (Cromwell Green Entrance)
- 19.00** Drinks and canapes.
- 19.30** **Welcome by Chris Davies MP, Chairman of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Forestry**
- 19.40** Welcome on behalf of the Forestry Commission. **Sir Harry Studholme, Forestry Commission Chair**
- 19.50** Introduction to NGP and 10 years of progress – **Alistair Monument, Forest Practice Lead, WWF-International**
- 20.00** Why it makes business sense to take forestry forward in this way - a conversation with NGP Participants

## Day 2- Edinburgh Thursday - 22nd June 2017

### Afternoon Chair - Dr Andrew Kerr, ECCI

- 15.30** Tea
- 16.00** Welcome to the Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Innovation, and outline of its role.  
**Dr Andrew Kerr, Director**
- 16.15** An introduction to forestry in Scotland, why it is 'unusual' in the international context and its role in the Scottish economy, carbon sequestration and climate change.  
**Jo O'Hara, Head of FC Scotland and Trefor Owen, Head of Land Management, Forest Enterprise Scotland.**
- 17.00** Overview of private forest management in Scotland.  
**Tim Liddon, Tilhill**

### Evening - Formal Reception at Edinburgh Castle

- 18.30** Formal reception at Edinburgh Castle.  
**Hosted by Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy and Connectivity; Scotland**
- 19.00** Introduction by Gordon McGregor,  
Chair of WWF Scotland Advisory Council
- 19.05** Welcome by Fergus Ewing MSP
- 19.15** Why responsible forestry in Scotland makes good business sense - a conversation between Stuart Goodall,  
Confor CEO and NGP Participants.
- 19.30** Drinks and networking
- 20.45** **Close**
- 21.00** Evening Dinner, by invitation only.



## Day 3- Edinburgh Friday - 23rd June 2017

**Morning Chair - David Howat**  
past President of the Institute of Chartered Foresters

**09.15** Welcome and outline of the role of NGP in promoting good forest practice, particularly in relation to climate change mitigation.  
**Luis Silva, NGP Lead, WWF**

**09.30** Planted forests for climate change mitigation and adaption.

### Key Note Speakers:

- Elizabeth Carvalhaes, President of International Council of Forest and Paper Associations
- Nuyun Li, Secretary General of China Green Carbon Foundation
- Alberto Tavares, Director President of Acre Environmental Services Development Company
- Neil Sutherland, Makar Homes

Questions

**11.00** **Coffee**

**11.30** **Parallel sessions**

### (Room A)

Boreal Forests in a changing climate - intensifying management for intact landscapes.

**Facilitator: Nikolay Shmatkov, WWF-Russia.**

- Alexander Kostenko / WWF-Russia,
- Dmitry Zamolodchikov / Russian Academy of Sciences,
- Denis Popov / Mondi Group

### (Room B)

Open Forestry session:

Revolutionizing how we use and communicate forest technologies for companies, educators and farmers.

**Facilitators: Adam Costanza,**  
**Institute of Forest Biosciences and**  
**Elena Dominguez, WWF.**

Introduction and presentation of the Open Forestry social movement and digital prototype. Participants will be invited to explore the Open Forestry prototype, and take part in a co-creation session with the platform designers.

**13.00** **Lunch**

**Afternoon Chair - Luis Silva WWF**

**14.15** **(Room A)**  
IUFRO Task Force Sustainable Planted Forests for a Greener Future panel.  
**Facilitator: Peter Freer-Smith, Forestry Commission**

### Panel members are:

- Wu Shuirong  
Research Institute of Forest Policy & Information,  
Chinese Academy of Forestry Commission
  - Margarida Tomé  
Institute Superior de Agronomia,  
Universidade de Lisboa Portugal
  - Julian Evans  
Chair of the British Forestry Commission Expert Committee on Forest Science
  - Christophe Orazio  
Head of EFI Atlantic and Coordinator IUFRO Task Force
  - Thomas Fox  
Virginia Tech USA & Director Forest Productivity Cooperative
- Analyse and comment on scientific evidence and needs for further research arising from the 10 years of NGP work to date.

**15.00** **(Room A + B)**

Open Ecosystem of Collaboration:

**Facilitators: Elena Dominguez and David Lindley, WWF**

- Participants will have the challenge to design the session agenda and engage deeply and creatively around issues of their concern on 'Planted forests for climate change mitigation and adaption'. The Open Space Technology has been described as "a simple and powerful process to identify critical issues, voice people's passions and concerns, learn from each other, and take collective responsibility for finding solutions". You have to be there!

**18.00** **Close**

**20.30** Evening Dinner  
Howie's Restaurant  
10-14 Victoria St, Edinburgh  
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# Planted forests for climate change mitigation and adaption

## Day 4- Perthshire Saturday - 24th June 2017

### Scotland Landscape Dialogue

**08.15** Board buses from outside Motel One hotel and Macdonald Holyrood Hotel in Edinburgh.

Forestry Commission Scotland, the Forest Stewardship Council, The Forests Dialogue and the New Generation Plantations, dialogue about landscape scale climate adaptation and mitigation with local land managers including farmers and foresters.

The dialogue will focus on engaging the existing diversity of interests to foster relationships and build trust around contentious forest and landscape issues, developing a shared understanding of the objectives, challenges and opportunities ahead. The Scottish Landscape Dialogue, will take us in a journey through the Climate Resilient Landscapes agenda, bringing together the NGP Encounter participants and local land managers.

In the morning, the Dialogue will run a real scale Risk Based Approach test on the Perthshire Landscape, and proposals to expand forest cover. Steve Germishuizen, in his Key Note Talk will introduce us to the Risk Based approach to landscape certification.

**Facilitator: Chris Burchmore, FSC Africa.**

In the afternoon, the Dialogue will address climate adaptation and mitigation in the context of production landscapes restoration. Rodney Taylor from World Resources Institute in his Key Note Talk will highlight initiatives as Africa100 and the LAC 20x20, as an opportunity for the plantation forestry sector.

**Facilitator: Gary Dunning, The Forests Dialogue.**

### Evening

Dinner and overnight accommodation in Weem near Aberfeldy for the attendees staying for Sunday's field trip sponsored by Confor - the Confederation of Forest Industries in the UK. Alternatively for participants traveling back to Edinburgh, estimated arrival time is 20:00 hrs

## Day 5- Perthshire Sunday - 25th June 2017

### Atholl Estate and Distillery Visit

**08.30** Departure from the accommodation in Weem

A unique opportunity to visit a traditional Scottish Estate at Blair Atholl near Pitlochry. In the 1700s and 1800s the Dukes of Atholl planted about 27 million conifers for timber production and to restore their forests; the Dukes were among the first land owners in the UK to extensively plant imported tree species. We will be speaking with Julian Clarke the Rural Manager of Atholl Estates and Malcolm Whyte the Forester to discuss their plans for the future. They face a number of key challenges with a rapid increase in the number of pests and diseases impacting UK forestry, the potential of Land Reform in Scotland and of course climate change. Atholl Estates is famous for the quality of its European Larch plantations but in recent months these have become infected with Phytophthora and will have to be felled; should the estate replant with native trees or continue to plant non-native trees for timber production?

Packed lunch at suitable location

Scottish Whisky is dependent on the farmed and natural landscape for its taste and character, from the fields of barley to the water from local streams. What challenges does climate change pose to this iconic Scottish product?

Visit to a whisky distillery to learn more.

Travel back to Edinburgh estimated arrival time 18:00 hrs.

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