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Side Event

INCENTIVES MECHANISMS ENHACING BOTH GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR WATER AND SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT: LEARNING FROM EXPERIENCE

29th November 2017 13:00-14:30 José Antonio Deluxe Hotel, Miraflores (Lima, Peru) / Main Plenary Hall

Worldwide there is an increasing recognition of the role forests and mountain ecosystems play in providing water services, and the enormous costs associated to their loss due to forest degradation and deforestation. Adequate landscape management and conservation strategies are key for ensuring the provision of water services through a wide range of mechanisms, incentives schemes, funds, agreements and related instruments; both at the local level and through national programs. At a global scale, green infrastructure for water is gaining attention for channelizing additional financing to enhance the benefits ecosystems provide, namely protection and restoration of natural watershed ecosystems in mountainous regions. At the same time, promotion of Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) practices by local communities are still hampered by providing sufficient social and economic benefits or offsets.

This side event aims to present the current state of green infrastructure investment for mountain forests conservation and its potential for sustainable forest management.

Through case studies and business models, clear articulation of SFM of mountain forests for ensuring water services in the energy sector will be presented; as well as local incentives schemes where communities are key players for the sustainable use of the natural asset and services provision. Progress made as well as remaining barriers for model upscaling will be highlighted by each case study.

Tentative programme*	Time	Speaker/Panelist**
Introduction and video	5 min	Albert Bokkestijn, Regional Director Andean Forests Programme
Current state of green infrastructure investment for mountain forests conservation and its relevance for sustainable forest management (Asia, Africa and Latin America)	15 min	Kaspar Schmidt, HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation - Switzerland

Discussion panel:

- Contribution of the private sector to the conservation of ecosystem services: perspectives from the hydro energy industry (Pedro Lerner, CEO CELEPSA Peru) -
- •Community based incentives schemes for agriculture industry based on upstream ecosystems conservation and SFM: the experience of Banco2 initiative (Ana Milena Joya, Environmental Manager / Engineering Projects Empresas Públicas de Medellín (EPM) Colombia)
- Opportunities to mainstream green infrastructure incentives schemes into sectorial development planning and investment (Iván Lucich, Chair of the Board of Directors of SUNASS -water & sanitation regulatory entity Peru)

Q&A	5 min	
Recommendations	15 min	Albert Bokkestijn, Regional Director Andean Forests Programme

- *Brown bag lunch and refreshments will be offered.
- **Translation services available

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