Global Group

General definition issues:

forest landscape, forests within landscapes ; architectural governance vs good governance.

Lessons learnt and major achievements:

- **Forests now includes trees outside forests, however governance is not yet discussed at same level.**
- **Recognition of centrality of tenure and devolution**
- **Old forest governance model is challenged by new initiatives**
- **Changes in role of State**
- **Certification has grown beyond timber trade**

Challenges

- **Challenges go far beyond the forestry sector**
- **Good governance is difficult, expensive.**
- **Role of science in forest governance works only if it is independent.**
- **Corruption remains a strong incentive for bad governance.**

Recommendations

- **Develop/add a Global Objective on Forests that deals with governance.**
- **Secure commitment to transparency and access to information**
- **Promote explicit support through the SDGs for recognition of forest rights of I P's and local communities,**
- **Build consensus on the necessary elements of a governance system.**
- **Establish an international reporting requirement on forest governance**

Sterenthening the UNFF Process

Make changes to governance of UNFF itself:

- o Restructure sessions from the current 2-week negotiating session.

- o Rethink process and format of resolutions.