

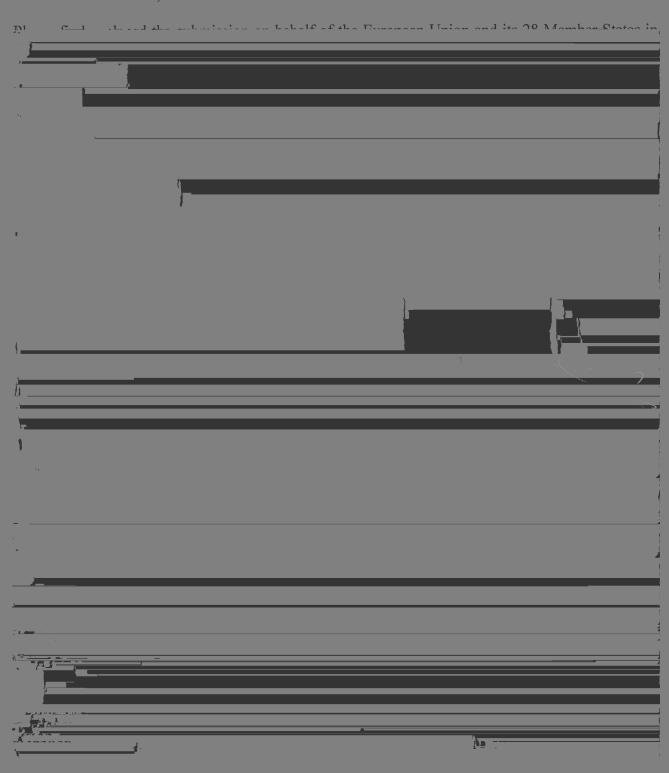
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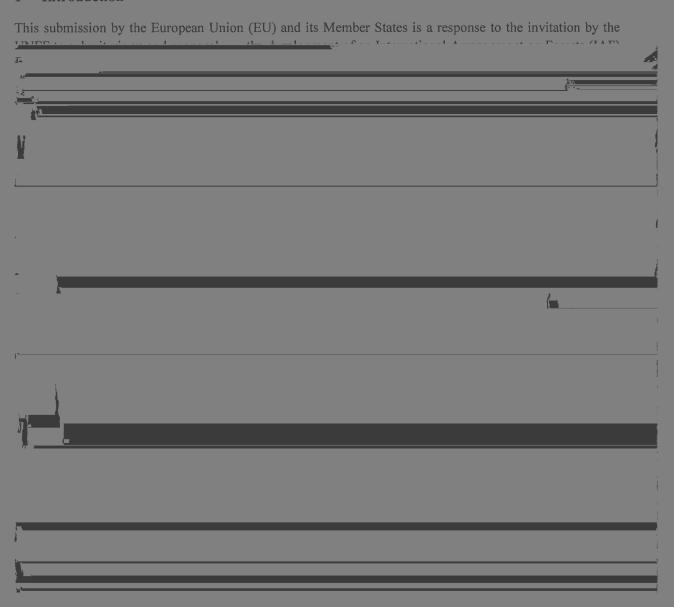
New York, 26 October 2015

Dear Mr. Sobral Filho,



# SUBMISSION BY THE EUROPEAN UNION AND ITS MEMBER STATES ON INITIAL VIEWS AND PROPOSALS ON THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 2017-2030

#### 1 Introduction



### 2 Elements of a strategic plan for the IAF

The EU and its Member States propose the following indicative outline for the SP, as well as, matters that could be included in its various sections.

#### 2.1 Introduction/context

The EU and its Member States support having an introductory section that should:

Highlight the purpose of the SP, as defined in paragraph 38 of the UNFF11 resolution, which states that the SP should enhance "coherence of and guide and focus the work of the IAF and its ammananta"k Clearly indicate in a concise manner key messages regarding the importance of forests, like its multi-

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such as	, inter alia:
	<ul> <li>Enhancing cooperation, coordination, coherence and synergies on forest-related issues at al levels, including by strengthening the CPF</li> </ul>
	• Promoting the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, in
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involvement within the work of the IAF has supported by ECOSOC resolution E/2015/42-E/CN.18/2015/14 in order to strengthen IAF's visibility, credibility and impact on the ground. Reliable procedures and clear -

Major Groups and other stakeholders should continue their relevant and important stakeholder

The Global Forest Financing Framework Network (GFFFN) has a paramount role to play to facilitate the

and in implementation, and in the end in funded activities.

	Make better use of existing MAR systems on forests  To limit member states' reporting burden, existing reporting processes and formats (e.g. UNFT) INFOCCEPEDDA Forest Furance Mantreal process LINFOE atc.) sh	F, FAO
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used as far as possible;

Streamlining and harmonization of reporting vis-a-vis other reporting processes;

The reporting cycle could be synchronized with other relevant forest related reporting processes.

The EU and its MS would like to see the following elements regarding MAR in the Strategic plan:

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