



The UN-REDD Programme: Building Partnerships in Developing and Implementing REDD+ Briefing to the Permanent Missions in Geneva

Monday, 9 May 2011, 13h00 – 15h00
International Environment House II

We take the opportunity in the International Year of Forests to brief Permanent Missions in Geneva on the United Nations Collaborative Programme of FAO, UNDP and UNEP, on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries (UN-REDD), with its Secretariat based at the International Environment House.

You are cordially invited to attend a briefing on REDD+ and the UN-REDD Programme.

13h00 Lunch

13h30 **Welcome and introductions**

H.E. Bente Angell-Hansen, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Norway to UNOG
Christophe Bouvier, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP

13h35 **Norway's commitment to REDD+ and the UN-REDD Programme**

Gry Asp Solstad, Advisor, Norway's International Climate & Forest Initiative, Ministry of Environment, Government of Norway

13h45 **Switzerland's role in REDD+**

Jürgen Blaser, Global Forest Advisor, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation

13h50 **Evolution of REDD+ negotiations & key milestones from Cancun to Durban**

Clea Paz-Rivera, Programme Officer – National Programmes, UN-REDD Programme Secretariat

14h00 **Overview of the UN-REDD Programme**

Yemi Katerere, Head, UN-REDD Programme Secretariat

14h15 **Achievements in national REDD+ readiness**

Brigitte Mukundji Eale, Climate Expert, Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations Office at Geneva

14h25 **Open discussion**

14h55 **Closing remarks**

Christophe Bouvier, Director and Regional Representative, UNEP