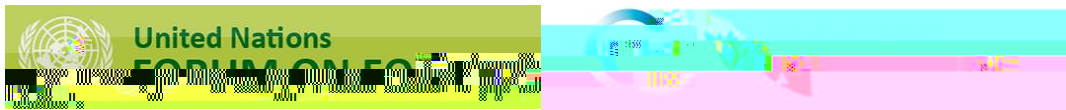


**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law
and the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests**

I. Preamble

The IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law at Gland, Switzerland (hereafter called “WCEL”) and the Secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests at New York, USA (hereafter called the “UNFF Secretariat”):

Recalling role in facilitating the implementation of the Non-Legally Binding



justice, and build effective, accountable, and inclusive institutions at all levels, enhancing cooperation, coordination, coherence, and synergies on forest-related issues at all levels;

Affirming the fundamental role that the environmental rule of law serves in constituting the framework for sustainable forest stewardship and the conservation of biological diversity; and

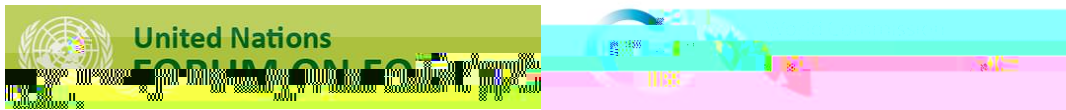
Also convinced that the development and strengthening of the cooperation between WCEL and the UNFF Secretariat in matters of common interest in environmental law and sustainable development matters, especially related to legal aspects of the protection of forests, would be of mutual benefit to both Organizations and bring about better coordination and effective implementation of their respective objectives;

Have reached the following understanding:

II. Objective

The objective () is to build a framework between WCEL and the UNFF Secretariat to promote cooperation and collaboration in matters of common interest relating to their purposes and functions, and particularly in the interest of strengthening legal aspects of the protection of global forests; and

The key purpose of the MoU is for WCEL and the UNFF Secretariat



Joint training programme on environmental law and forests, particularly for governments, legislators, management agencies, judges, prosecutors, academic scholars, and other stakeholders;

Joint studies and cooperation for the implementation of specific programs or projects relating to matters of common concern; and

Periodic seminars, workshops, and training programmes on areas of common interest for the realization of shared objectives;

These areas of cooperation may be modified or extended by mutual consent as and when it is deemed necessary.

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