# Conservation and sustainable use of timber trees in international trade

Update of activities for the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Plants Committee

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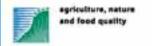
# Decision 13.54: The Plants Committee shall, between CoP 13 & 14.....

..... consider the opportunity to develop proposals to amend the Appendices on the basis of:

- 1. the Contribution to an Evaluation of Tree Species using the new CITES-listing criteria, and
- 2. the results of regional workshops on sustainable management of timber species in 2005 and 2006.









## **Background to tree evaluation process**

Contribution to an evaluation of tree species using the new CITES Listing Criteria (Darwin, 1998)

species evaluated against the CITES listing criteria

c. 100 species met criteria









### Workshops

Trees Workshop Cambridge, UK 2002

Decision made to broaden the process and consider all appropriate strategies, including CITES listing.

Regional workshops to be held in:

- > Mesoamerica
- Northern Temperate
- > South East Asia
- West Africa









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### Mesoamerican workshop

Nicaragua

16-18 February 2005

Implemented by UNEP-WCMC

Funded by the Governments of the Netherlands and the UK









## Mesoamerican workshop: participants

- Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama
- Forest, Botanical, Protected Areas, CITES, FAO, NGOs
- Chairs: the Netherlands and Mexico









## **Species**

- Regional timber species selected from the 250 included in the evaluation report.
- Swietenia and palms excluded
- 19 species included in list for workshop
- Some of these are already CITES listed









#### **Data considered**

Distribution - range states, status of data

National status - red list categories

Trade - legal, illegal

national, international

Legislation - national, protected area, other

Certification - extent

Forest management plans, plantations, reforestations









#### **Outcome**

- original species
- additional species selected by workshop
- species needing action, of which
- 4 need action by Plants Committee









## **Action needed: by Plants Committee**

Balmea stormiae I

RUBIACEAE

little information, mystery species

Cedrela odorata III (CO,PE)

**MELIACEAE** 

widespread, high extraction level

Dalbergia retusa

**LEGUMINOSAE** 

exploited and threatened

Dalbergia stevensonii

**LEGUMINOSAE** 

high demand, low density









# Action needed: more data, regional collaboration

1. Ceiba pentandra

2. Cordia dodecandra\*

3. Dipteryx panamensis

4. Guaiacum sanctum\* I

5. Hyeronima alchorneoides

6. Liquidamber styraciflua\*

7. Hymenaea courbaril

8. Manilkara achras

9. Myroxylon balsamum

10. Peltogyne purpurea

11. Pinus tecumanii\*

12. Platymiscium pleiostachyum\* II

13. Prosopis juliflora

14. Swietenia humilis II

**BOMBACACEAE** 

**BORAGINACEAE** 

**LEGUMINOSAE** 

ZYGOPHYLLACEAE

**EUPHORBIACEAE** 

HAMAMELIDACEAE

**LEGUMINOSAE** 

**SAPOTACEAE** 

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**PINACEAE** 

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**MELIACEAE** 

\* included in original workshop list









# **CITES** listed species not needing action

Abies guatemalensis I PINACEAE

Caryocar costaricense II CARYOCARYACEAE

Oreomunea pterocarpa II JUGLANDACEAE









# 8 original species – no action

Alnus acuminata BETULACEAE

Bombacopsis quinata BOMBACACEAE

Cedrela fissilis MELIACEAE

Minquartzia guianensis OLACACEAE

Ochroma lagopus BOMBACACEAE

Tabebuia impetiginosa BIGNONIACEAE

Virola surinamensis MYRISTICACEAE

Zanthoxylum flavum RUTACEAE









# 12 new species – no action

Although suggested for consideration, due to exploitation, these species were not considered candidates for further consideration due to lack of evidence of international trade.









#### What next?

- workshop report
- recommendations for 18 species
- development of action plans for CITES listed species and the non-CITES listed species, involving range states, FAO, NGOs etc.
- implementation of action plans
- further regional workshops to identify relevant species
  - South East Asia
  - Northern Temperate
  - West Africa

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