

## Open and Transparent: Forest data setting the course for green future under the Paris Agreement



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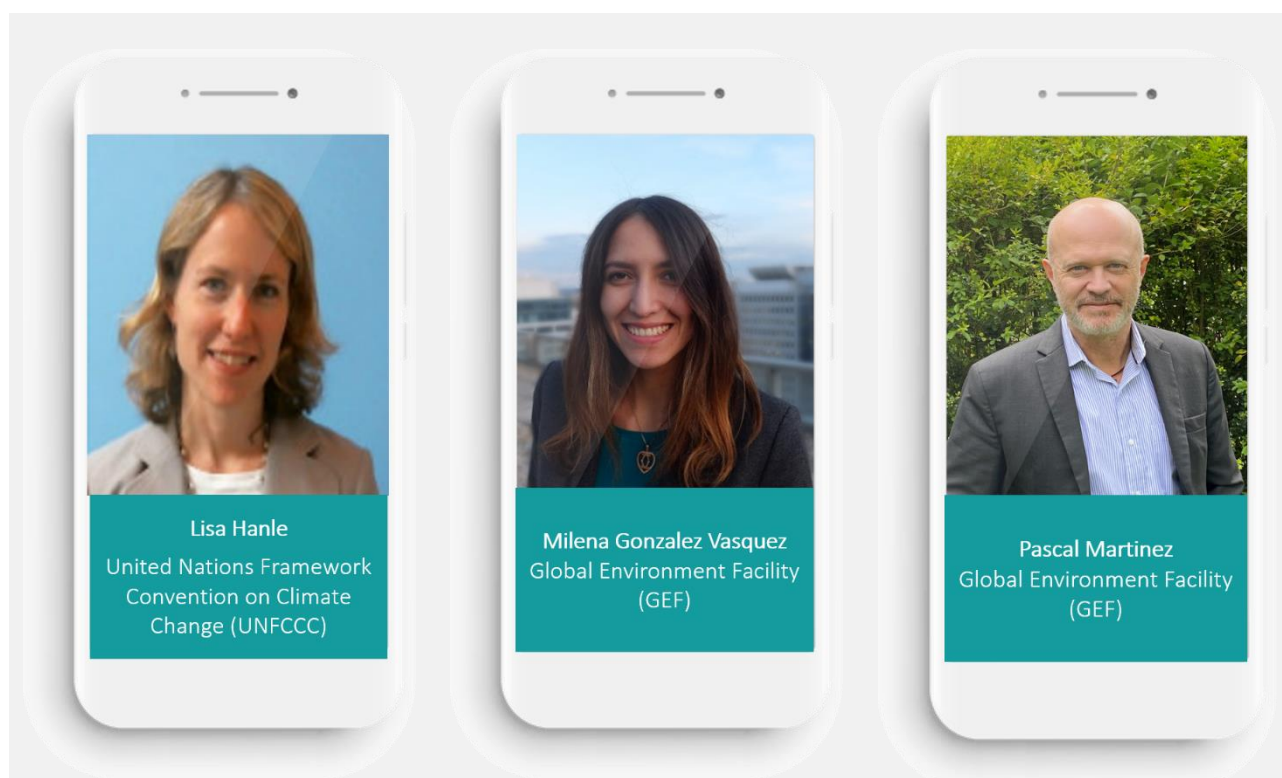
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## OBJECTIVES OF THIS SESSION

- Discuss the importance of the Enhanced Transparency Framework under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement and the contribution of forests
- Introduce the Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) to support the Paris Agreement implementation
- Present the CBIT-Forest global project and launch of three brand new E-learning modules of the e-learning course “Forests and transparency under the Paris Agreement”

## SPEAKERS

This technical webinar will be delivered by **Ms Lisa Hanle** (UNFCCC), **Ms Milena Gonzalez Vasquez** (GEF), **Mr Pascal Martinez** (GEF) and **Ms Rocío Córdor-Golec** (FAO). The event will be moderated by **Mr Khalil Walji** (FAO) and by **Ms Cristina Petracchi**, Leader of the FAO eLearning Academy.



**Lisa Hanle** is currently leading the newly established Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) Coordination Unit in the Transparency Division of the UNFCCC. The focus of her activities is to coordinate and facilitate secretariat-wide efforts on the development and implementation of the new ETF under the Paris Agreement and to promote comprehensive and consistent engagement on the ETF with external audiences. Lisa has over 20 years of experience working at the national and the

**Milena Gonzalez** is a Climate Change Specialist in the Programs Unit of the Global Environment Facility (GEF). She reviews climate change mitigation project proposals from countries in Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. She also works on topics related to the GEF's role as a financial mechanism for the United Nations climate change convention (UNFCCC) including on climate finance, capacity-building, transparency and reporting. Milena joined the GEF in 2014. Prior to joining the GEF,

**Pascal Martinez** joined the Global Environment Facility (GEF) in 2015. Focusing on land uses and particularly forests and agriculture, he contributes to the implementation of GEF strategy supporting development countries to meet their commitments in the framework of international environmental agreements. He also coordinates GEF work on Sustainable Forests Management and he is actively engaged in the implementation of the new GEF-7 Impact Programs “Food Systems, land use and

international level on reporting and review activities related to national GHG inventories, biennial reports, and biennial update reports, as well as accounting for project-based activities, under the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol. Lisa holds a Masters Degree in International Relations and Economics from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies.

she was a research associate in the Climate and Energy team at the Worldwatch Institute, where she analyzed renewable energy development in the Latin American region, among other topics. Milena holds a master's in Civil and Environmental Engineering with a focus on Atmosphere and Energy and a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering, both from Stanford University. She is from Mexico and Panama.

restoration". Over the past 20 years, he had the opportunity to develop activities in different areas of the natural resources management and the environment, notably in the following areas: forestry, biodiversity, agriculture and climate change. He worked for the private sector, French Ministries and Embassies, and international organizations. Pascal holds a Master in Forestry and a Master in Ecosystems.



**Rocío Córdor-Golec**  
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**Rocío Córdor-Golec** is leading the "Building global capacity to increase transparency in the forest sector (CBIT-Forest)" global project of the FAO financed by the CBIT trust fund of the GEF. She is coordinating activities to make forest data more transparent, accessible and available and helping developing countries meet the Paris Agreement's enhanced transparency framework (ETF), in collaboration with key international stakeholders. Rocío



**Cristina Petracchi**  
Leader of the FAO elearning  
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**Cristina Petracchi** heads the FAO elearning Academy. She manages and coordinates the design, development, delivery and language adaptations of an extensive portfolio of eLearning courses and blended learning programmes for the benefit of FAO member countries, and is responsible for the creation of University Masters' and Post Graduate Degree Programmes. She engages actively in consolidating partnerships across United Nations agencies,



**Khalil Walji**  
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**Khalil Walji** works as capacity development specialist within the FAO Forestry Department where he focuses on a wide range of topics from People and Forests to Ecosystem restoration monitoring. He joined the CBIT-Forest project Team in 2020, with a focus knowledge management and youth engagement. Khalil holds a masters' in Integrated studies of Land and Food Systems with a focus on nitrogen cycling, and a bachelors' in Natural Resources Conservation



has 20 years of experience working at the national and the international level on measurement, reporting and verification under the UNFCCC and currently supporting the ETF implementation at the FAO. Rocio holds a Masters Degree in Environmental Science and a PhD in Forest Ecology.

academic institutions and universities, regional organizations, CSOs and NGOs, for capacity development initiatives. In addition to a University Degree in Biological Sciences, Ms Petracchi holds a PhD in Nutrition and Food Science, and has several years of experience of capacity development activities, in a number of countries.

with a focus on forests, both from The University of British Columbia. He is from Canada.

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