

**Global Fire Management Hub – 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop**  
**The operation of the Global Wildland Fire Regional Networks and Centers in connection with the Fire Hub**  
**Tuesday 19 March 2024 – Thursday 21 March 2024**  
**FAO Headquarters - Rome**

**Day 1 – 19 March      Opening and Overview Sessions**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session agenda</b>	<b>Session info</b>	<b>Speaker / questions</b>
<b>10:00-12:00</b>	<b>Opening Session</b> <b>FAO – Opening remarks</b>	<b>Hybrid</b> <b>Azerbaijan room</b>	<b>Speaker:</b> Wu Zhimin, Director, <a href="#">NFO</a> – opening remarks
	Germany/BMEL	<b>Moderator:</b> Amy Duchelle	<b>Speaker:</b> Matthias Schwoerer, Head of Division, European and International Forest Policy, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (online)
	Korea Forest Service		<b>Speaker:</b> Manju Kim, Director of Forest Fire Prevention and Control Division (video intervention)
	Canada		<b>Speaker:</b> Julie Émond, Alternate Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Canada to the FAO
	France		<b>Speaker:</b> Michel Lévêque, Agricultural Counsellor (TBC)
	Portugal		<b>Speaker:</b> Tiago M. Oliveira, AGIF (online)
	United States Agency for International Development (USAID)		<b>Speaker:</b> Scott Dehnisch, Wildfire Response Coordinator
	Council of Europe		<b>Speaker:</b> Krzysztof Zyman, Executive Secretary, European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA) (online)

	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)		<b>Speaker:</b> Sylvie Goyet, Deputy Coordinator and Head of Environmental Activities Office of the Coordinator for OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (OCEEA) (online)
	Audience Q&A		Audience Q&A
	FAO - Global Fire Management Hub		<b>Speaker:</b> Lara Steil, Fire Management Officer
	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)		<b>Speaker:</b> Francesco Gaetani, Science Policy Sub-Programme /Regional Coordinator
	World Meteorological Organization (WMO)		<b>Speaker:</b> Cyrille Honoré, Director, Disaster Risk Reduction & Sara Basart, Scientific Officer (TBC)
	The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)		<b>Speaker:</b> Sandra Amlang, Head of Interagency Cooperation (TBC)
	United States Forest Service (USFS)		<b>Speaker:</b> Gordon Sachs, Acting Delegation Head of NAFC Fire Management Working Group / International Liaison Committee
	Global Fire Monitoring Center (GFMC)		<b>Speaker:</b> Johann G. Goldammer, Director, GFMC Coordinator, GWFN
<b>12:00-13:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>		
<b>13.30-17.00</b>	Regional Networks / Centers	<b>Hybrid</b> <b>Azerbaijan room</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Bill DeGroot	Presentations on (a) Regional challenges, (b) status of networks and centers (c) suggestions for FAO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• needs from the regional / institutional perspectives</li> <li>• challenges to and opportunities for the Fire Hub</li> </ul>
<b>13:30-14:00</b>	Model Forest Network		<b>Speakers:</b> Rich Verbisky, Head, International Model Forest Network Secretariat

			Toni Ventre & Elisabetta Gravano, Mediterranean Model Forest Network Secretary
<b>14:00-14:15</b>	International Fire Aviation Working Group		<b>Speaker:</b> Riccardo Filippi, IFAWG Secretariat
<b>14:15-14:30</b>	European Commission Joint Research Center		<b>Speaker:</b> Jesús San-Miguel-Ayanz, Senior Researcher, European Commission Joint Research Center (online)
<b>14:30-14:45</b>	Central Asia Network & RFMRC-CAR		<b>Speaker:</b> Oyunsanaa Byambasuren, Coordinator, Regional Central Asia Wildland Fire Network, Head of FMRC-CAR
<b>14:45-15:00</b>	South East Asia Network & RFMRC-SEA		<b>Speaker:</b> Bambang Hero Saharjo, Director (RFMRC-SEA), Coordinator, Regional South East Asia Wildland Fire Network
<b>15:00-15:15</b>	South Asia Network		<b>Speaker:</b> Sundar Prasad Sharma, Coordinator, Regional South Asia Wildland Fire Network
<b>15:15-16:00</b>	Coffee break		
<b>16:00-16:15</b>	Eurasia / Eastern Europe & REEFMC	<b>Hybrid</b>	<b>Speaker:</b> Oleksandr Soshenskyi, Coordinator, Regional Eastern Europe / Eurasia Wildland Fire Network
<b>16:15-16:30</b>	Southeast Europe / Caucasus Network & RFMC	<b>Azerbaijan room</b>	<b>Speaker:</b> Nikola Nikolov, Coordinator, Regional Southeast Europe / Caucasus Wildland Fire Network Director, RFMC
<b>16:30-16:45</b>	Mediterranean Network	<b>Moderator:</b> Peter Moore	<b>Speaker:</b> Elena Hernandez Paredes, Coordinator, FAO Silva Mediterranea Forest Fire Working Group
<b>16:45-17:00</b>	Euro-Alpine		<b>Speaker:</b> Harald Vacik, Coordinator, Sub-Regional Euro-Alpine Wildland Fire Network (online)

**Day 2 – 20 March**

<b>10:00-12.00</b>	Regional Networks / Centers	<b>Hybrid</b> <b>Azerbaijan room</b>	Presentations on (a) Regional challenges, (b) status of networks and centers
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		<b>Moderator:</b> Petteri Vuorinen	(c) suggestions for FAO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• needs from the regional / institutional perspectives</li> <li>• challenges to and opportunities for the Fire Hub</li> </ul>
<b>10:00-10:15</b>	Subsahara / Western Africa & RWA-FMRC		<b>Speaker:</b> Lucy Amissah, Head, RWA-FMRC
<b>10:15-10:30</b>	Subsahara / Eastern Africa & REEA-FMRC		<b>Speaker:</b> Harifidy Rakoto Ratsimba Head, REEA-FMRC
<b>10:30-10:50</b>	South America Network & RFMRC-SAR		<b>Speakers:</b> Mariana Senra de Oliveira, Coordinator, Regional South America Wildland Fire Network  Divaldo Rezende, RFMRC-SAR
<b>10:50-11:15</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>		
<b>11:15-11:30</b>	North America Network	<b>Moderator:</b> Francesco Gaetani	<b>Speaker:</b> Gordon Sachs, Acting Delegation Head of NAFC Fire Management Working Group
<b>11:30-11:45</b>	Australasian Network		<b>Speaker:</b> Stefan de Haan, Coordinator, Australasian Forest Fire Management Group (FFMG) (TBC)
<b>11:45-12:00</b>	Recap of all the network presentations		<b>Speaker:</b> Johann G. Goldammer, Director, GFMC Coordinator, GWFN
<b>12:00-13:30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>		
<b>13:30-15:30</b>	<b>Technical Session:</b> Discussion of institutional arrangements between the Fire Hub and the Regional Centers / Networks (I)	<b>In-person</b> <b>Azerbaijan room</b>	
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>		
<b>16:00-17:00</b>	<b>IDF Side Event – Innovations in fire management: integrating</b>	<b>Hybrid</b> <b>Azerbaijan room</b>	<b>Keynote:</b> William de Groot, FAO Fire Specialist <b>Panellists:</b> Mongolia – Central Asia Wildland Fire Network (Oyunsanaa Byambasuren), Madagascar – Sub-Saharan East Africa Wildland Fire Network

	<b>traditional knowledge and science in fire danger rating and early warning systems</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Lara Steil	(Harifidy Rakoto Ratsimba), Sub-Saharan Western Africa Wildland Fire Network (Lucy Amissah), Brazil – South America Wildland Fire Network (Mariana Senra de Oliveira), Indonesia – Southeast Asia Wildland Fire Network (Bambang Hero Saharjo)
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**Day 3 – 21 March**

<b>09.30- 12:00</b>	<b>Technical Session:</b> Discussion of institutional arrangements between the Fire Hub and the Regional Centers / Networks (II)	<b>In-person</b> <b>Azerbaijan room</b>	
<b>12.00-13.30</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>		