



Atlas mountains (by Alexander Buck)



Figs (by Vera Kratochvil)



Masai woman (by forcdan)

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)  
Twelfth Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP12), Ankara, Turkey



You are cordially invited to  
the UNCCD-COP12 Side Event on



## The Contribution of Forests and Trees to Food Security and Land Degradation Neutrality in Drylands

jointly organized by IUFRO, UNCCD/Global Mechanism, and FAO



Food and Agriculture  
Organization of the  
United Nations

16 October, 13:00-15:00

Room tbc - please check screens

Congressium Ankara-ATO, International Convention and Exhibition Centre

Refreshments provided!



**MODERATION:** *Nora Berrahmouni, FAO (representing the Chair of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests)*

### WELCOME

- The Global Forest Expert Panels Initiative and its relevance for the UNCCD  
*Alexander Buck, IUFRO, Executive Director*
- Sustainable forest management – a key contribution to achieve the objectives of the UNCCD  
*Sven Walter, Global Mechanism of the UNCCD, Programme Officer*

### MAIN CONCLUSIONS OF GLOBAL ASSESSMENT REPORT

- Contribution of forests and tree-based systems to food security and nutrition with particular emphasis on drylands  
*Bhaskar Vira, Director, University of Cambridge Conservation Research Institute, and Chair of the IUFRO-led Global Expert Panel on Forests and Food Security*
- Main drivers affecting forests and tree-based systems for food security and nutrition – Conflicts in and about forests  
*Daniela Kleinschmit, University of Freiburg Chair of Forest and Environmental Policy and Coordinator of IUFRO Division 9 Forest Policy and Economics*

### SYNERGISTIC LAND USE MANAGEMENT FOR FOREST AND FOOD SECURITY

- Intersectoral landscape management – global issues, national experiences  
*Nora Berrahmouni, Forestry Officer (Drylands), FAO*

### MODERATED DISCUSSION

- Interlinkages between UNCCD and the sustainable management of forests, trees and landscapes for food security and nutrition