



Third Announcement

Global Legal & Sustainable Timber Forum (GLSTF) 2026

Innovation and Transformation – Pursuing Avenues for Resilient and Sustainable Global Timber Industries

22-23 September 2026,

Galaxy International Convention Center, Macao SAR, China

The International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO) and the Commerce and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM) of Macao SAR, China are co-hosting the Global Legal & Sustainable Timber Forum (GLSTF) to accelerate the development of legal and sustainable timber and wood products supply chains. As an annual collaborative international platform, the first three editions of GLSTF were all hosted by Macao as the host city.

The GLSTF 2026, scheduled on 22-23 September 2026 in Macao, will further strengthen and promote legal and sustainable timber supply chains.

Date & Venue

22-23 September 2026 at the Galaxy International Convention Centre, Macao SAR, China.

Co-hosts & Organizer

The GLSTF 2026 will continue to be co-hosted by ITTO and IPIM, supported by the GGSC Secretariat. The specialized sub-forums will be organized by ITTO, IPIM and the GGSC Secretariat in collaboration with partner agencies.

Forum Structure

The GLSTF 2026 will comprise the following components:

- 1) The Global Legal & Sustainable Timber Forum (main forum)
- 2) Four Specialized Sub-forums (sub-forums)

- 3) A Legal and Sustainable Timber Industry Display
- 4) Other Events & Activities

Theme & Topics

The GLSTF 2026 theme will be '***Innovation and Transformation – Pursuing Avenues for Resilient and Sustainable Global Timber Industries***'.

The main forum will consist of topics related to timber industries in global disruption, transformation of industry & trade patterns for supply chain resilience and innovations for sustaining the timber sector.

The specialized sub-forums will be organized by ITTO, IPIM and GGSC with partner agencies on selected themes with respective topics on timber legality and sustainability; sustainable timber resources, markets and trade; market trends and industry innovations in furniture & home furnishings; green finance and innovative facilitation measures.

Legal and Sustainable Timber Industry Display

A legal and sustainable timber industry display of circa 30 exhibition booths will be held during the GLSTF 2026.

Other Events & Activities

The latest achievements of the Global Timber Index (GTI) and the Blockchain-based Timber Traceability System (BTTS) as well as others will be released at the GLSTF 2026. Other business activities, B2B sessions and side events will be organized accordingly.

Participants

The GLSTF 2026 is expected to attract around 700-800 participants globally from wood enterprises, trading companies, industrial and business associations, governments, international organizations, research institutions, etc.

Languages

The GLSTF 2026 main forum will feature simultaneous interpretation in Chinese, English, French, Spanish and Portuguese. The 4 Specialized Sub-forums will feature simultaneous interpretation in Chinese, English and French.

The draft provisional agendas of the Main Forum and 4 Specialized Sub-Forums are attached.

For forum registration click: <https://en.glstf.net/index/registration.html>

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Draft Provisional Agenda

Global Legal & Sustainable Timber Forum 2026

(GLSTF 2026)

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Day 1 (Tuesday, 22 September)

Time	Events and Topics
08:30-09:30	Registration
09:30-10:00	Opening Ceremony and Group Photo Session
10:00-10:45	Keynote Addresses Moderator: TBC
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:10	High-Level Segment: Innovation and Transformation - Pursuing Avenues for Resilient and Sustainable Global Timber Industries Moderator: Ms. Sheam Satkuru, ITTO Executive Director Panel Discussion (60m) Forest high-level officials, leading entrepreneurs, heads of international organizations, and renowned experts. Q&A (10m)
12:10-12:30	Achievements Release The forum related achievements will be released.
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break
14:00-15:20	Session I: Timber Industries in Global Disruptions Presentations (30m): - Increasing Challenges on Timber Industries and Markets. - Changing Policy and Regulatory Frameworks. - Emerging Trends and Demands in Global Timber Supply Chains. Panel Discussion (40m): - Representatives from governments, international organizations, timber enterprises,

	certification organizations, timber associations, etc. Q&A (10m)
15:20-16:40	Session II: Transformation of Industry & Trade Patterns for Supply Chain Resilience Presentations (30m): • Restructuring and Optimizing Timber Supply Chains. • Evolving Competitive Edge in Timber Market and Trade. • Sustaining Transformation against Consumer Demand. Panel Discussion (40m): • Representatives from timber enterprises, furniture & home furnishings enterprises, timber associations, governments, etc. Q&A (10m)
16:40-18:00	Session III: Innovations for Sustaining the Timber Sector Presentations (30m): • Integrating Innovative Technologies in Timber Industries (AI, bioeconomy, blockchain). • Upgrading Timber Value in Reforming Market Trends (design, culture, education). • Empowering Green Finance for Sustainable Timber Sector (Fintech, LSSC trading platform, BTTS). Panel Discussion (40m): • Representatives from timber enterprises, design companies, financial institutions, technology companies, government agencies, timber associations, etc. Q&A (10m)
18:00-18:10	Main Forum Wrap-up

Day 2 (Wednesday, 23 September)

Time	Events and Topics
9:00-13:10	Specialized Sub-forum 1: Timber Legality and Sustainability: Navigating Strategies to Ensure Timber Legality and Sustainability in Disrupted Global Timber Trade
9:00-12:30	Specialized Sub-forum 2: Sustainable Timber Resources, Markets and Trade: Digital Empowerment, Innovation-Driven Development
9:00-12:30	Specialized Sub-forum 3: Market Trends and Industry Innovations in Furniture & Home Furnishings: Green-Smart Integration & Resilient Symbiosis
9:00-12:30	Specialized Sub-forum 4: Green Finance and Innovative Facilitation Measures: Unlocking Forest Commercial Value: Boosting High-value Timber Utilizations via

	Green Finance
<i>12:00-14:00</i>	<i>Lunch Break (Self-arrangement required)</i>
14:00-15:30	B2B matchings
14:00-15:30	“She” Power Roundtable Dialogue
15:30-17:00	Designers and Supply Chains Roundtable Dialogue
14:00-15:30	Commercial Forestry in East Africa: The Next Growth Frontier for Innovation, Investment and Sustainable Sector Development
15:30-17:00	Global Forestry Youth Leadership Roundtable Dialogue
14:00-17:00	Closed-door meetings for ministers, leading enterprises, and financial institutions
16:30-17:00	Press Conference
2 Days (9:00-18:00)	Legal & Sustainable Timber Industry Display

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Specialized Sub-forum 1 **on Timber Legality and Sustainability:** *Navigating Strategies to Ensure Timber Legality and Sustainability in Disrupted Global Timber Trade*

Organized by
International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)

Room 1: (23 September 2026, 09:00-13:10)

This specialized sub-forum will discuss current disruption issues related to global timber, legal and sustainable supply among different stakeholders. Understanding the issues will support stakeholder readiness from both timber consumer and producer countries, enabling their responses to challenges and opportunities encountered.

The specialized sub-forum will be divided into two sessions as follows:

Session 1: Global perspectives on current legal and sustainable supply chains disruptions and the solutions

Session 1 will discuss the dynamics of timber and timber products trade, with regard to current global disruption that needs to be dealt with and anticipated for its development, by all actors along the supply chains. Regulations are of course essential to build legal and sustainable supply chains, but trade regulations in major timber consuming markets need to be reasonable, implementable and attainable where producer countries need support and investment in capacity building to allow continued market access.

Session 2: Innovations best practice in response to evolved challenges of legal and sustainable timber supply chains

Session 2 will highlight the role of advanced technologies and innovations to support the stakeholders along the supply chains of timber and timber products to address challenges and opportunities of timber trade to minimize its negative impacts.

Programme and Schedule

Wednesday, 23 September 2026	
09:00-09:15	Opening Session
	Opening Remarks by Ms. Sheam Satkuru, ITTO Executive Director
09:15-11:15	Session 1: Global perspectives on current legal and sustainable supply chains disruptions and the solutions
	Presentations: - A scenario to survive for forest industry sector amid the global disruptions. - How to deal with global disruptions? North American forestry policy perspective. - Responses to current global timber trade dynamic. Indonesian business sector perspective. - How to deal with global disruptions? Malaysian forestry policy perspective. - How to deal with global disruptions? Australian forestry policy perspective. Panel Discussion (45 minutes)
11:15-11:30	Short Break
11:30-13:00	Session 2: Innovations best practice in response to evolved challenges of legal and sustainable timber supply chains
	Presentations: - Response to global disruptions: Strengthening Forest Enforcement Activities at Log Export Points through Innovation Initiatives and Stakeholder Collaboration. - Response to global disruptions: The Use of block-chains technology to support legal and sustainable supply in global uncertainty. - Response to global disruptions: Development of innovative integrated timber data in the Asia-Pacific for enhancing timber sector resilience. - Response to global disruptions: Technology-Driven Approaches to Legal and Sustainable Timber Supply Chain in the Philippines. - TROPIX: an innovative platform for the identification, characterization, and use of tropical species. Q & A (30 Minutes)
13:00-13:10	Closing Ms. Sheam Satkuru

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Specialized Sub-Forum 2 **on Sustainable Timber Resources, Markets and Trade:** *Digital Empowerment, Innovation-Driven Development*

Co-organized by

China Timber & Wood Products Distribution Association (CTWPDA)

World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)

Supported by

Zhejiang Tucson Custom Home Co., Ltd.

Room 2: (23 September 2026, 09:00-12:30)

This specialized sub-forum, themed 'Digital Empowerment, Innovation-Driven Development', will focus on resources, markets, and trade to explore how enterprises work together to build sustainable timber trade systems and high-quality timber and wood products markets amid changing international political and economic environments. The participants will attend the main forum, the display and the B2B matchings.

Programme and Schedule

Wednesday, 23 September 2026	
09:00-09:10	Opening Session
	Remarks by Mr. Li Jiafeng, President, CTWPDA
09:10-10:25	Keynote Session: Global Tropical Timber
	Presentations: - Market Trends and Characteristics of China's Tropical Timber Sector. - Sustainable Tropical Timber Consumption in Europe. - African Wood Processing Industry: Policies and Economy Situation. - Supply and Demand for Timber Products in Papua New Guinea/Solomon. - Supply and Demand in Timber Markets in Southeast Asian. - Experience sharing on sustainable development of excellent enterprises.

10:25-11:30	Roundtable: Building Green Supply Chains & Corporate Social Responsibility The leading enterprises introduce their practical experience in green supply and corporate social responsibility (flooring, wooden doors, wood-based panels, international trade, parks, etc.)
11:30-12:30	New Products Launching: Market Trends, Consumer Insights, and New Technologies • Application of intelligent AI system in domestic timber trade. • New product release: high-stability pure solid wood flooring. • Development and application of solid wood lacquered panels.

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Specialized Sub-forum 3 **on Market Trends and Industry Innovations in Furniture & Home Furnishings:** *Green-Smart Integration & Resilient Symbiosis*

Co-organized by
China Wood Protection Industry Association (CWPIA)
Malaysian Interior Industry Partners Association (MIIP)

Room 3: (23 September 2026, 09:00-12:30)

This sub-forum aims to build a top-level exchange platform that brings together global industry leaders, technology experts, design pioneers and innovative enterprises, deeply promoting the green, intelligent and resilient transformation of the furniture and home furnishings industry. Through systematic discussions on sustainable development pathways, digital transformation strategies and supply chain resilience building, the forum will provide participating companies with forward-looking insights and actionable solutions.

The specialized sub-forum is divided into the following two parts:

Part I: Green Sustainable Development and Innovative Transformation in the Furniture & Home Furnishings Industry

This session focuses on the green transition paths of the furniture and home furnishings industry under the global wave of carbon neutrality and circular economy. It will explore how to build a more resilient green supply chain and achieve a win-win between environmental protection and commercial value through material innovation and full lifecycle management.

Part II: Digital Transformation and Design Innovation in the Furniture & Home Furnishings Industry

This session centers on how digital technologies such as AI and IoT are reshaping the value chain of the home furnishings industry. It will analyze intelligent design, flexible manufacturing, and interconnected smart living scenarios, and discuss how small and medium-sized enterprises can embrace digitalization at low cost, driving the industry toward greater efficiency, personalization and intelligence.

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Wednesday, 23 September 2026	
09:00-09:10	Opening Session
09:10-09:15	Achievement Release
	• “Ninghai Bamboo Tower” – The World’s Tallest Bamboo Structure
09:15-10:45	Part I: Green Sustainable Development and Innovative Transformation in the Furniture & Home Furnishings Industry
	Keynote Speeches: • New Opportunities in Southeast Asia’s Home Furnishing Industry and Supply Chain Resilience Building. • Transformation Practices of Furniture Enterprises under Carbon Neutrality Goals. • Green Supply Chain Innovation: Full Lifecycle Management from Materials to Products. Panel Discussion: • Green Innovation: Sustainable Development Paths for the Furniture & Home Furnishings Industry.
10:45-12:15	Part II: Digital Transformation and Design Innovation in the Furniture & Home Furnishings Industry
	Keynote Speeches: • AI-Driven Home Design Innovation: From Concept Generation to Personalized Customization. • International Design Trends 2026–2027: Colors, Materials and Spatial Aesthetics. • Application of Digital Technologies in Home Furnishing Manufacturing: Efficiency Improvement and Quality Control. Panel Discussion: • Future Innovation Trends in Furniture & Home Furnishings: Smart Technologies and the Future of the Industry.
12:15-12:30	Establishment Ceremony of the Green Home Furnishings Branch of the China Wood Protection Industry Association

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Specialized Sub-forum 4 **on Green Finance and Innovative Facilitation Measures:** *Unlocking Forest Commercial Value:* *Boosting High-value Timber utilization via Green Finance*

Organized by
Global Green Supply Chain of Forest Products (Macao) Federation

Room 4: (23 September 2026, 09:00-12:30)

The latest Global Timber Index (GTI) report notes that slowing global economy and weak real estate have suppressed traditional timber demand, making industrial transformation imperative. Benefiting from global carbon goals, timber, which is renewable, carbon-storing, recyclable and biodegradable, enjoys bright prospects in high-end wooden goods, bioenergy, sustainable aviation fuel (SAF), green construction and new bio-based materials. Artificial intelligence, green finance, digital trade and under-forest economy remodel forestry value chains and facilitate sustainable industrial advancement. This sub-forum connects traditional forestry firms, bioenergy entities, international timber trading platforms, timber industrial clusters, port logistics businesses, financial institutes, international organizations and government bodies. Attendees will discuss industrial, technical and financing obstacles limiting high-value use of timber and processing residues. The conference aims to speed up innovation application throughout the value chain of forest resources, high-value timber products, bioenergy and green finance. It helps companies expand markets, lower financing expenses and raise resource efficiency, offering replicable solutions for global forestry's green low-carbon transition.

The discussion covers four key dimensions:

- Analyze financing hurdles constraining high-value timber development and best proven practices from enterprises, industrial associations and government authorities.
- Showcase actionable solutions including green finance instruments, global forest product trading platforms and commercial bioenergy development models.
- Discuss potential opportunities brought by Macao's newly launched industrial guidance fund and innovative investment frameworks to advance sustainable timber trade and high-value processing via synergy between the fund, forestry sector and green finance.
- Host interactive roundtable discussions among participating stakeholders to explore

innovative green finance pathways for forest resource development and build cross-industry consensus.

Collaborating Partners:

- Gabon Asian Forest and Wood Industry Association (UFIAG)
- China Cameroon Timber Industry Association
- Ejinhoro Indonesia International Research Institute Foundation
- Doors Association of Guangdong
- Global Greengrants Fund (GGF)

Programme and Schedule

Wednesday, 23 September 2026	
09:00-09:05	Group Photo
09:05-09:20	Opening Session
09:20-12:20	Keynote Speeches
	1. Investment Progress of Green Finance in the Private Sector. 2. Timber Supply Chain and Financial Solutions. 3. New Development Opportunities for Forestry Industry: Biojet Fuel Empowers Green & Low-carbon Transition. 4. Development Vision & Cooperation Opportunities of the AI+Carbon Ecological Fund. 5. Cross-border Collaboration Models and Experience Sharing of Linyi Timber Industrial Parks.
	Panel Discussion (45 Minutes)
12:20-12:30	Wrap-up

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