



Reference: UNEP-FAO

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Excellency,

Last year, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 73/284 proclaiming 2021-2030 as the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration. The primary aims of the Decade are to support and scale up efforts to prevent, halt and reverse the degradation of ecosystems worldwide and raise awareness of the importance of successful ecosystem restoration.

In that context, we have the honour to inform you that the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) have jointly prepared a draft implementation strategy.

The document will serve as a roadmap to achieve the Decade's ambitious goals. It was produced from information received during an extensive consultation process involving governments, UN agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations, the private sector, academia, youth organizations, faith-based organizations and the secretariats of the Rio Conventions.

We have the honour to share, for your review, the Draft strategy of the United Nations Decade on Ecosystem Restoration and to extend an invitation to provide inputs and comments through the UN Decade website www.decadeonrestoration.org or by email to restorationdecade@un.org and Decade-On-Restoration@fao.org, by 30 April 2020.

We look forward to our continued collaboration to make the Decade a turning point for ecosystem restoration globally.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of our highest consideration.

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