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Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its thirteenth session and provisional agenda for its fourteenth session

At its 41st plenary meeting, on 2 July 2018, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Took note of the report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its thirteenth session;¹
(b) Approved the provisional agenda for the fourteenth session of the Forum as set out below:

Provisional agenda for the fourteenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Implementation of the United Nations strategic plan for forests 2017–2030:
   (a) Technical discussion and exchange of experiences on the thematic and operational priorities, priority actions and resource needs for the period 2019–2020, taking into account the review cycle of the high-level political forum on sustainable development during the biennium and the theme of the International Day of Forests;
   (b) Voluntary announcement of voluntary national contributions;
   (c) United Nations system-wide contributions to the implementation of the global forest goals and targets.
4. Monitoring, assessment and reporting:
   (a) Progress on the implementation of the strategic plan, including the United Nations forest instrument and voluntary national contributions;
   (b) Progress on the development of global forest indicators.
6. Enhancing global forest policy coherence and a common international understanding of sustainable forest management.
7. Enhanced cooperation, coordination and engagement on forest-related issues:
   (a) Activities of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests in support of the strategic plan and the quadrennial programme of work for the period 2017–2020;
   (b) United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change: implementation of the Paris Agreement;
   (c) Convention on Biological Diversity: Aichi Biodiversity Targets;
   (d) Regional and subregional partners;

(e) Major groups and other relevant stakeholders;
(f) Communication and outreach activities;
(g) Cross-sectoral engagement;
(h) Information on intersessional activities.

10. Information on the reform of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs pertaining to the Forum.
11. Dates and venue of the fifteenth session of the Forum.
12. Provisional agenda for the fifteenth session of the Forum.
13. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its fourteenth session.