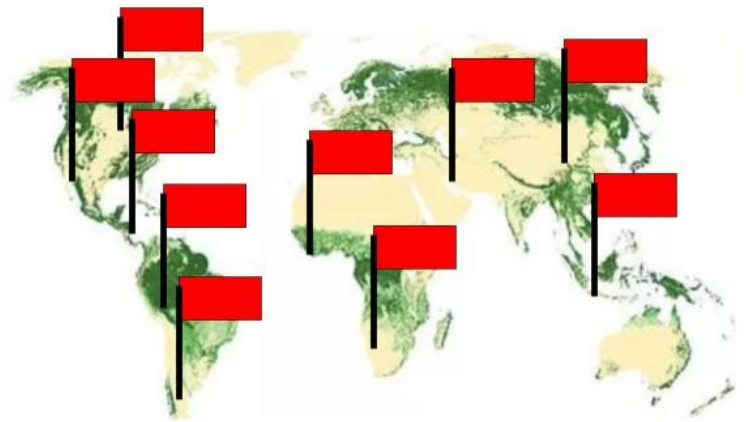


The Future of Forest Work & Communities



Over **200 participants** have attended **18 workshops** in **10 countries**

Bolivia, Canada, Guatemala, Mexico, Nepal, Peru, Philippines, Tanzania, Uganda, Suriname

What's at stake with youth outmigration from forest communities?

One third of the world's forests are stewarded by local people and communities—a role that global society currently undervalues. The paths that young people choose in these communities shapes the future of these forests and our planet.

In 2017 our team developed a multi-day Workshop methodology to engage young people in discussions about their lives, ideas about work, and visions for the future.

The Workshops blend the imaginative and the practical to gain insights into youth vision and culture in forest communities. They explore diverse values and perspectives and provide a platform for participants to co-design conceptual 'pilot projects' for their communities and forests.



In **Wakiso, Uganda**, depleted fish stocks are pushing the community, especially the youth, to seek alternative livelihoods near Kampala.



In **Petén, Guatemala**, sustainable logging has thrived for over 20 years, with succession to the next generation vital for its continuity.



In **Quezon Province, Philippines**, limited local education and job opportunities have led to increased youth migration to larger cities.



In **Quintana Roo, Mexico**, young residents of this emblematic Selva Maya ejido frequently interact with nearby cities for study and work opportunities.



The Workshop Methodology was developed by the community of practice to gather consistent results for a global database on youth and forests.

Outcomes

The Youth Visioning Workshops have helped local facilitators listen, collect data and inspire young people with confidence that their work matters to the planet and to people all over the world.



We have compiled:

Research database including:

- i. Migration to cities
- ii. Employment interests
- iii. Youth-lead proposals for the community



A **Network of youth leaders from forest communities**

Reports shared with stakeholders and communities

Join the Community of Practise

To learn more about this methodology for local engagement visit www.futureforestwork.com

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