



# Regional Non-State Actors Forum

September  
23-25

Bangkok, Thailand  
KU Home hotel  
(near RECOFTC regional office)

The Voices for Mekong Forests (V4MF) project, funded by the European Union, aims to strengthen the voices of non-state actors in forest governance. The project is holding its annual Regional Non-State Actors Forum in Bangkok 23-25 September. For the first time, the Forum will include a learning fair and a communication workshop.

**Objectives:**

- Promote collaboration, sharing and learning for effective NSA engagement in forest governance initiatives
- Build consensus on ways forward for V4MF implementation
- Strengthen coordination and implementation of communication and knowledge management strategy and activities

<p>Day 1</p>	<p><b>Learning Fair</b> Participants from across the Mekong will present in an informal exhibition space using presentations and posters. The Learning Fair offers opportunities to share and learn from others and to build networks and relationships. RECOFTC is providing templates for presentations and posters, and editorial and design support upon request.</p>	<p><b>Everyone</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• REDD+ and FLEGT VPA</li> <li>• Advocacy</li> <li>• Media engagement</li> <li>• Mapping</li> <li>• Forest governance monitoring systems</li> </ul>
<p>Day 2</p>	<p><b>Program Session</b> Participants will discuss forest governance monitoring systems and share learning about the FLEGT VPA and REDD+ processes.</p> <p><b>Communication Workshop</b> Participants will share information and brainstorm ways to improve and accelerate communication and knowledge management activities with a focus on strategy, capacity development and storytelling. The workshop will be informed by the results of a communication and knowledge management survey that RECOFTC is conducting in late August. Watch for the survey!</p>	<p><b>Program officers</b></p> <p><b>Communication officers</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest governance monitoring systems</li> <li>• Advocacy</li> <li>• Reviewing survey results, visibility guidelines and communication strategy</li> <li>• Enhancing coordination and implementation</li> <li>• Introducing new tools and processes</li> </ul>
<p>Day 3</p>	<p><b>Closing Plenary Session</b> Participants will reconvene to discuss ways forward for V4MF implementation through 2021.</p>	<p><b>Everyone</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication strategy</li> <li>• Gender and social inclusion</li> <li>• V4MF mid-term review</li> <li>• Revised targets, budget and action plan</li> <li>• Regional learning</li> <li>• Coordination and collaboration</li> </ul>

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