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### COMMUNICATION

#### **NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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Contact:	LIFE.3@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Working Party on Forestry
Date:	22 September 2023
Time:	10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

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#### **Format 2+2**

1. State of play of the implementation of the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Ghana
  - *Information by the Commission and a Ghanaian delegation*

2. Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and timber products to the European Union (FLEGT) (11874/23 + ADD 1)

Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and timber products to the European Union (FLEGT) (11873/23 + ADD 1)

– *Approval*

3. United Nations Forum on Forests. Preparations for the Midterm Review of the International Arrangement on Forests (IAF)  
– *Information by the Presidency and exchange of views*
4. Joint Session of the ECE Committee on Forest and the Forest industry and the FAO European Forestry Commission, San Marino ( 20-23th November)  
– *Information by the Commission and exchange of views*
5. Guidelines on Closer-to-Nature Forest Management and Guidance on the Development of Public and Private Payment Schemes for Forest Ecosystem Services  
– *Information by the Commission*
6. AOB

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