



International Tropical Timber Organization

**Thematic Session – 16 May 2023**

**Opening Remarks and Introduction**

**The ITTO Guidelines on Fire Management  
and beyond**

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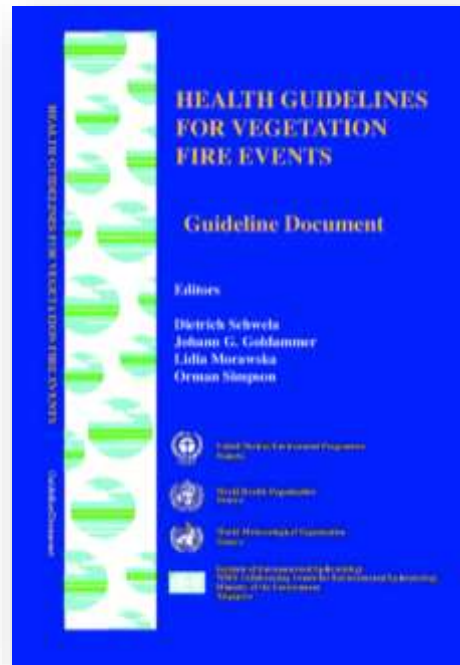
## International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO)

International voluntary guidelines and standards – starting in the 1990s:

- ITTO (Fire Management in Tropical Forests, 1997)
- WHO/WMO (Health Guidelines for Vegetation Fire Events; 1999),
- FAO (Fire Management Voluntary Guidelines, 2006)



# Voluntary Guidelines for Fire Management: Support for Policy and Strategy Development



ITTO 1998



WHO 1999



FAO 2005

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International competency standards for training of firefighters –  
Launched by GFMC (2006-2008)



2022: Available in 22 languages for the  
use in 60+ countries

<https://gfmc.online/eurofire/index-11.html>



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### Village Defense Guidelines (GFMC, 2013)




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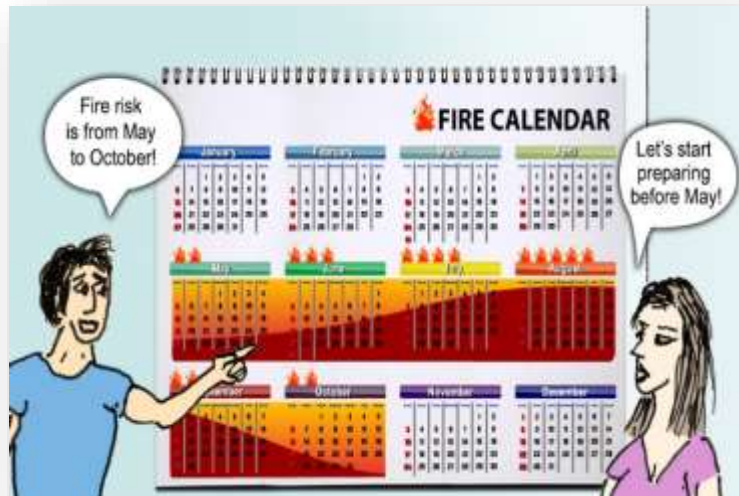
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Capacitation of local communities to become aware of wildfire threats and to prepare their home for defense against wildfires

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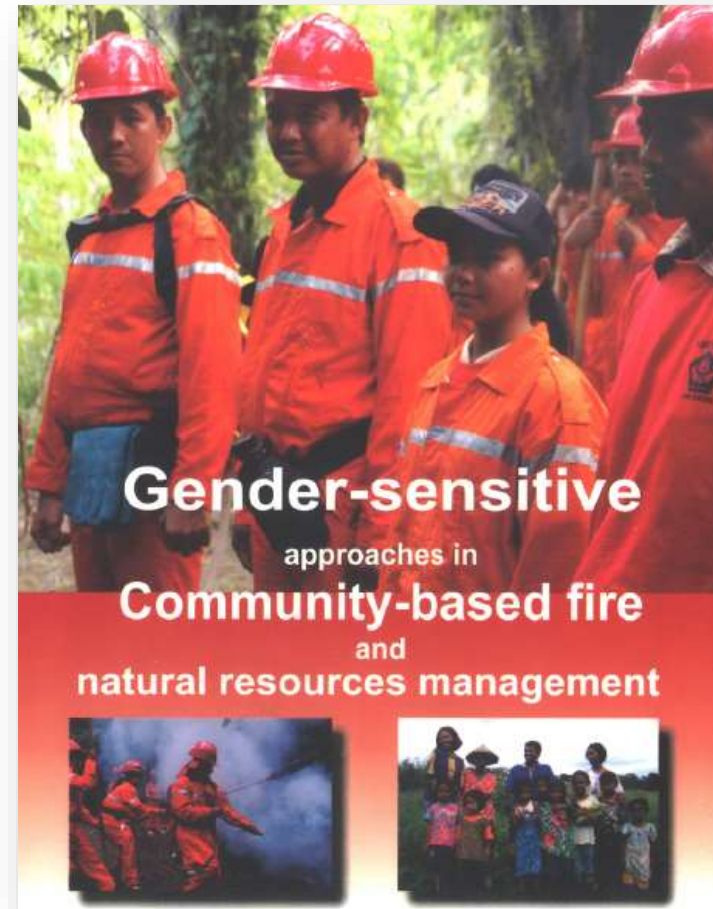
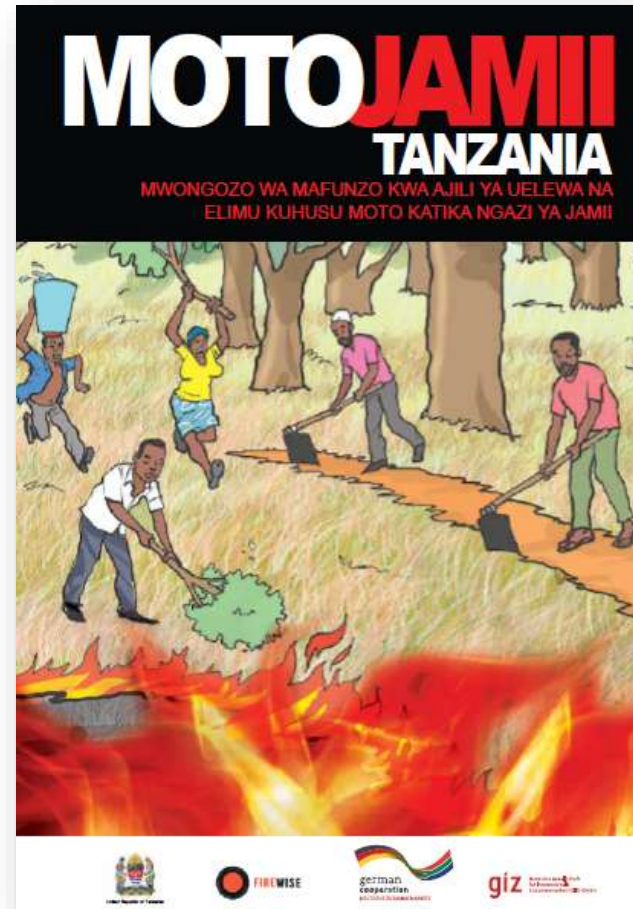
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# Lessons learned – from the Tropics – Africa and South East Asia



# Lessons learned – from the Tropics – see partner session of Tropenbos – 18:15-19:45 (Arrábida room)

