

**2008 Brookings Blum Roundtable on Development
“Development in the Balance: How Will the World’s Poor Cope with Climate Change?”**

Working Group on August 1, 2008
“Making Forests and Conservation Work for the Poor”

From August 1-3, 2008, more than 50 preeminent leaders will gather in Aspen to participate in the Brookings Blum Roundtable on Global Poverty, which this year will focus on climate change and development. One of the highlights of the annual Roundtable is the opportunity it provides to spark collaboration and action through working group sessions on nascent projects, business ventures, and other initiatives that hold great promise. During lunch on August 1, 2008, roundtable participants will have the opportunity to attend a working group session entitled “Making Forests and Conservation Work for the Poor.” This session will be moderated by Nigel Purvis of Climate Advisers and will feature David Brand of New Forests, Michael Jenkins of Forest Trends, Lindiwe Majele Sibanda of FANRPAN, and Mark Tercek of The Nature Conservancy. The session will begin with short, informal presentations from each of the four featured participants who will pitch their concepts or frameworks to harness the potential of forests and conservation to create new markets and financial opportunities for the poor. As this session is intended to solicit input on structure issues, design questions, and thematic priorities, the remainder of the working group will be dedicated to an open discussion.

Please note that this working group will be off the record.

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Working Group Session Timeline

12:45 p.m. Session II concludes in McNulty room (Doerr-Hosier Center); participants escorted to Catto and Kaufman rooms (Doerr-Hosier Center) for buffet lunch and working groups.

1:00 p.m. [Buffet lunch]

1:15 p.m. Purvis welcomes participants, introduces the featured participants and topic of discussion.

[Note on arrangements: The moderator and featured participants will sit together on one side of the roundtable.]

- 1:20 p.m. Brand presents proposal (7 min.)
❖ Natural Infrastructure
- 1:27 p.m. Jenkins presents proposal (7 min.)
❖ Katoomba Incubator
- 1:34 p.m. Sibanda presents proposal (7 min.)
❖ Carbon Financing in Africa
- 1:41 p.m. Tercek presents proposal (7 min.)
❖ Natural Social Safety Nets
- 1:48 p.m. Purvis makes remarks and opens the discussion up to others.
- 2:30 p.m. Purvis concludes session.