ECE/FAO Teams of Specialists report to the thirty-eighth session of the Joint ECE/FAO Working Party on Forest Statistics, Economics and Management

Items for regular reporting to the JWPFSEM

1. Name :

Team of Specialists on Wood Energy

Team website http://www.unece.org/forests/areas-of-work/forestsfpm/methods-and-processes/team-of-specialists-on-wood-energy.html

2. Period covered:

April 2015 – March 2016

3. Leader/Deputies and Secretary:

Leader: Kasimir Nemestothy

Deputies: Dinko Vusic Secretary: Alicja Kacprzak

4. Members: (Number only)

43

5. Countries: (List separated by comma)

Austria, Azerbaijan, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Lithuania, Poland, Russia, Serbia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uzbekistan

6. Meetings held:

11-13 March 2015 in Vienna | 14-16 June 2016 in Zagreb (meeting in preparation)

7. Outputs and impacts achieved during last year:

Since the second meeting of the joint UNECE/FAO Team of Specialists on Wood Energy, held on 11 – 12 March 2015 in Vienna, Austria where participants discussed the Joint Wood Energy Enquiry results and methodology and brainstormed about the content of the possible publication on wood energy in the UNECE and respective FAO region, the secretariat convened a publication taskforce consisting of the team members and with support of a consultant initiated the work to coordinate the preparation of the draft outline of the publication. The outline will be presented and further discussed at the next ToS meeting in June 2016 which is currently under preparation. The next meeting will also feature the results of the JWEE13.

In addition, the ToS has reviewed the quality of data out JWEE13 and has been exchanging good practice on improving the quality of the submitted data. A possibility of organisation of a capacity building event on data collection and methodology of JWEE has been discussed and is currently in the process of preparation by the secretariat.

Team members also volunteered to submit a COST action plan project under the call "BB-02-2017: Towards a method for the collection of statistical data on bio-based industries and bio-based products". The plan is to start planning activities from April 2016 to submit the proposal in February 2017.

8. Outputs and impacts expected for coming year:

- Meeting of the Team in Croatia in June 2016
- Wood Energy publication in the UNECE and respective FAO region

9. Issues for the attention of the Working Party: (if significant issues, how do we stimulate WP discussion

Resources for the publication

10. Other comments: (collaboration with other ToS)

Collaboration with the ToS on Forest Products Statistics regarding the JWEE data

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