



UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM

*PART I. Planning*

(to be filled in before submission to EXCOM) maximum 1 page

<b>1. Project title and project number</b> Strengthening capacity of the UNECE member States to collect, disseminate and evaluate data on sustainable forest management		
<b>2. Expected timing/ duration</b> 1 December 2015 – 29 February 2016		
<b>3. Objective and brief summary of the project</b> The objective of the project is to strengthen capacity of the UNECE member States to collect, disseminate and evaluate data on sustainable forest management. The UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section has been actively engaged in monitoring all aspects of forests, forest resources, their functions and services in the region, and making available the information on the state of forests in the UNECE region. The Section has been involved in collecting data, improving its quality, notably by ensuring its international comparability, storing, disseminating and analyzing the data to strengthen the capacity of countries in these areas. However, only a fraction of this information is used and disseminated. Therefore, it is essential to further process, organize and present the entire set of collected data in a user-friendly format. Furthermore, the workshop "Threats to Sustainability of the Forest Sector Workforce" organized in Geneva on 17 March 2015 concluded that more detailed information on the forest sector workforce is required. The project will also assess the results of the pilot implementation of the System for Evaluation of the Management of Forests (SEMAFOR).  This objective of the project will be achieved through the following activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of the analytical report on the pilot application of the System for Evaluation of the Management of Forests (SEMAFOR) in the UNECE member States;</li> <li>• Conducting a technical meeting on implementation of the System for Evaluation of the Management of Forests (SEMAFOR) in Finland;</li> <li>• Development of the third edition of the interactive database on quantitative indicators for Sustainable Forest Management in UNECE region;</li> <li>• Development of a study on the social aspects of Green Jobs "Review of the Forest Sector Workforce, challenges and opportunities and data availability".</li> </ul>		
<b>4. Expected results of the project</b> EA1. Enhanced capacity of the UNECE member States to evaluate the management of forests EA2. Improved data availability of the Forest Sector Workforce in the UNECE region		
<b>5. Target group and beneficiaries of the project in the UNECE region</b> The project targets policy makers, research institutions and specialized agencies, governmental & non-governmental organizations as well as users, practitioners and the general public. Beneficiary countries are the UNECE member countries.		
<b>6. Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work</b> The project is directly linked to the expected accomplishment (a) "Improved monitoring and assessment of the forest sector, to support sustainable forest management" of Subprogramme 7 of the UNECE Strategic Framework for 2016-2017. The project is part of the Integrated Programme of Work 2014-17 for the ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry and FAO European Forestry Commission adopted by the UNECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry and the FAO European Forestry Commission at their joint session in Rovaniemi, Finland on 9-13 December 2013 (ECE/TIM/2013/2 – FO: EFC/2013/2; Annex III, "The Action Plan for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy" Pillars C and E and Annex IV D paragraph 8, 9 and 10).		
<b>7. Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff)</b> 1 month RB (P3) staff time		
<b>8. Estimated extra budgetary resources</b>		<b>Amount (US\$)</b>
Donors Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Finland		43,000
<b>9. Project Manager</b> Florian Steierer Name  Date: 10.11.2015	<b>10. Section/Division</b> Forestry and Timber Section/ Forests, Land and Housing Division	
<b>11. Cleared by the Programme Management Unit</b> Zamira Eshambetova Chief of PMU  Date: 10.11.2015	<b>12. Approved by EXCOM<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Date:</b>

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Annex  
Results-based budget for the extra-budgetary project

Part I. Planning (to be filled in before submission to EXCOM)		Part II. Implementation (to be used for reporting on progress in the implementation of the project in real time) <sup>1,2</sup>	
Expected accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (US\$)	Actual expenditures <sup>4</sup> (US\$)
EA1. Enhanced capacity of the UNECE member States to evaluate the management of forests.	A1.1. Preparation of the analytical report on the pilot application of the System for Evaluation of the Management of Forests (SEMAFOR) in the UNECE member States: 1 Consultant x 1.5 months 1 Consultant (data manager) x 1 month	12,000 5,000	
	A1.2. Conducting a technical meeting on implementation of the System for Evaluation of the Management of Forests (SEMAFOR) in Finland 1 staff travel Meeting venue and hospitality	2,000 1,000	
	A1.3. Development of the third edition of the interactive database on quantitative indicators for Sustainable Forest Management in UNECE region. 1 Consultant (data manager) x 1 month	5,000	
EA2. Improved data availability of the Forest Sector Workforce in the UNECE region	A1.1. Development of a study on the social aspects of Green Jobs "Review of the Forest Sector Workforce, challenges and opportunities and data availability" 1 Consultant x 3 months	18,000	
<b>Total US\$ (including 13% of Programme Support Costs)</b>		<b>43,000</b>	

<sup>1</sup> The secretariat shall inform EXCOM in case of unexpected developments or serious problems of any kind in the project implementation.

<sup>2</sup> Questions from member States on project implementation will be forwarded to the secretariat.

<sup>3</sup> Relevant information should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity and include the following:

(a) For an advisory service (including at a workshop/seminar/training organized by other organizations): title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlink(s) to presentation(s) and other relevant documents;

(b) For a workshop/conference/training organized by UNECE: title; venue; dates; project expenditures; and hyperlinks to the meeting agenda, list of participants, presentation(s) made by UNECE, conference documents, training materials and reports;

(c) For a consultancy: project expenditures; hyperlinks to the consultancy ToR and main outputs (study, report, training material, presentation, etc.) produced by the consultant/s;

(d) For other outputs not included under bullet points above: hyperlink to relevant documents.

<sup>4</sup> Relevant financial information – certified by the Executive Office – should be uploaded by the project manager on the Project Monitoring Tool within one month from the end of the activity.