

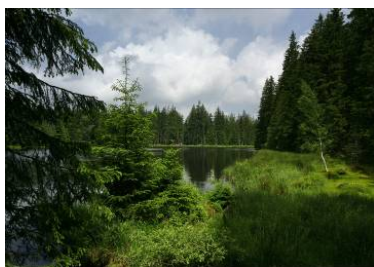
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Presentation on Work Area 3: Forest Sector Outlook

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Work Area 3 - Outlook Studies

- Progress across all regions:



- **North America:** Presentation of key findings
- **Europe:** Update on progress, current status, next steps
- **Russian Federation:** Draft concept, methods and outline



North American Forest Sector Outlook Study

- Led by the US, reviewed by Canada
- Presentation of key findings by Jeff Prestemon, USFS, Vice-Chair
- Presentation of findings at TC/EFC Joint session, Antalya
- Release of study by spring 2012



European Forest Sector Outlook Study – An innovative approach: Recap

- Addressing key policy issues through scenario analysis:
 - Climate Change mitigation and adaptation, including maximization of carbon stock and promotion of wood energy
 - Biodiversity
 - Innovation and Technology
- Sustainability analysis, linked with C&I for SFM
- Entire scope of products from the forest and trees outside the forest, encompassing residues, post-consumer recovered wood, and taking account of trade patterns and developments.



European Forest Sector Outlook Study - Process

- **Three enlarged meetings of the Team of Specialists with outlook correspondents:**
 - 1st meeting February 2009:
First discussion of Approach, Establishment of Core Group
 - 2nd meeting November 2009:
Presentation and review of methods
 - 3rd meeting 25 March 2011:
Presentation and review of data

- **6 Outlook Core Group meetings to**
 - Review and refine methods
 - Work out and discuss preliminary results
 - Inform study authors
 - Keep track of process and timing

- Briefing on progress by Mart-Jan Schelhaas, Chairman



European Forest Sector Outlook Study - Timing

- **25 March 2011** Meeting of the UNECE/FAO Team of Specialists on Forest Sector Outlook: Review and discussion of results of quantitative analysis
- **April 2011** Review by national correspondents of final data sets, incorporation of comments and finalization
- **April – July 2011** Drafting of different chapters on basis of updated datasets by authors. Development of policy recommendations.
- **August 2011** Final study ready for editing and printing
Set-up of dissemination plan
- **October 2011** Release of printed study at the EFC/TC joint session in Antalya, Turkey
Dissemination and presentation of key findings



Russian Forest Sector Outlook Study

- Concept and approaches proposed for consideration by Working Party
- To the extent possible, should be consistent, compatible and comparable with the other outlook studies undertaken by FAO and UNECE
- Identification of members of Core Team, comprising policy experts and modelers on forestry, climate, biodiversity, market & trade, others
- Definition of policy issues with Russian forest sector policy makers
- Presentation of proposed methods and outline by Maxim Lobovikov, FAO



Your advice on:

- *The work undertaken so far*
- *the continued involvement of Team of Specialists members and outlook correspondents in the review and communication of the national modelling results to ensure their national usage and the study's credibility*
- *the outline and approach to the proposed Russian Federation Outlook Study*
- *the lessons learned during the EFSOS and NAFSOS studies as recorded in the ToS report to the Working Party*
- *The set-up and funding of a dissemination plan of EFSOS study results*



Climate Change

- Key part of EFSOS and other Section publications
- Intergovernmental Policy Discussions
- Good Practice Guidance on the Sustainable Mobilization of Wood
- Seminar on the Impact of Climate Change on Forest Work, 24-25 October 2011
- Green Building



You are requested:

- ***to note the proposed seminar on Impact of Climate Change on Forest Work***
- ***to provide advice on the follow-up to the proposed agreement with UNEP.***

