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Forest Products*

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## ToS SFP: activities in 2011

- From Team of Specialists on Forest Products Marketing to *the Team of Specialists on Sustainable Forest Products*
- *New name was adopted by the Timber Committee on 14 October 2011 in Antalya*



# ToS SFP: Mandate

## OBJECTIVES

- 1. To contribute to the sustainable development of forest products markets in the UNECE region
- 2. Provide a forum for discussion of forest products marketing in the UNECE region. In particular, contribute to the UNECE Timber Committee annual market discussions and thereby advise UNECE/FAO on forest products market developments.
- 3. Advise the UNECE/FAO secretariat on implementation of Work Area 1, focusing on its products and publications, and undertaking studies as appropriate.
- 4. Provide assistance in marketing in the UNECE region, especially to central and eastern European countries, (and CIS countries where possible), through information collection, analysis and dissemination, and capacity building.
- 5. Maintain and expand the international network and forums for discussion, information exchange and collaboration on forest products markets and marketing.



# ToS SFP: activities in 2011

- Joint workshop” **DOES BANNING ILLEGAL LOGGING RULE OUT WOOD?**”, Brussels, April 13th 2011, supported by: European Commission, European Economic and Social Committee, the American Hardwood Export Council (AHEC); Canada Wood, CEI-Bois and the Malaysian Timber Council (MTC)

Main recommendations from this workshop are:

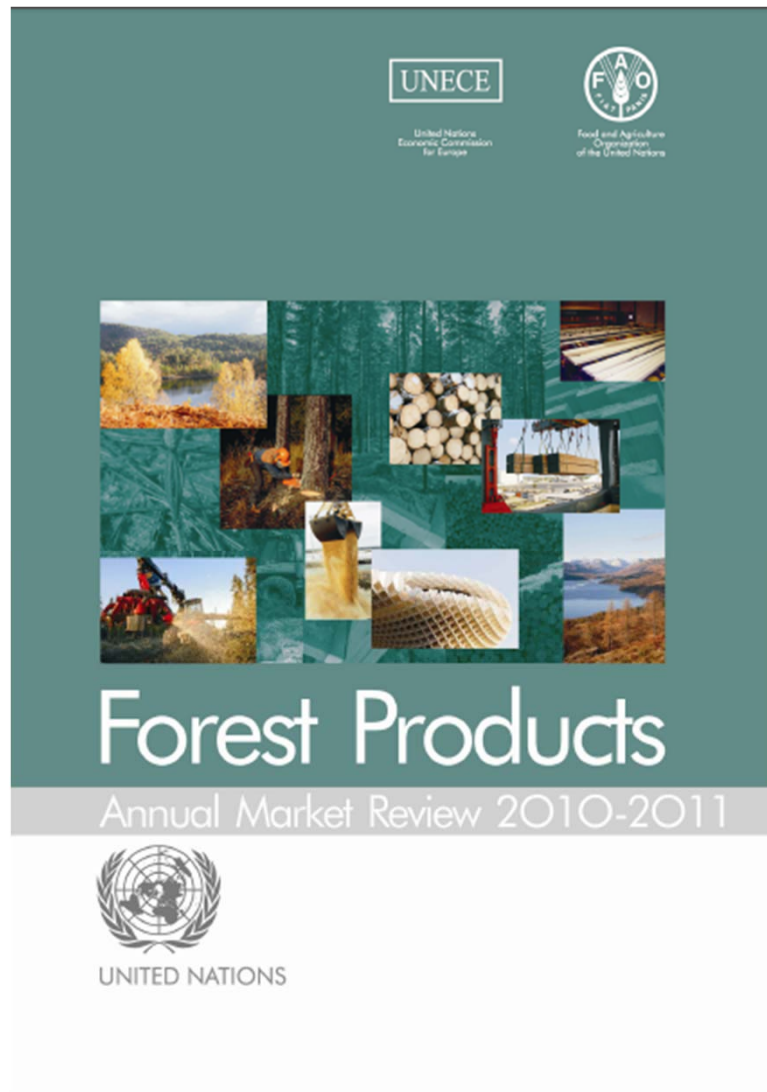


- **More key wood-trading countries need to be involved both in providing and meeting legality requirements for trading wood in order to reduce and hopefully eliminate illegal logging.**
- **That further development of such legislation in other countries preferably take into account what has been set up already and consider working towards compatible systems, if not a common framework.**
- **General outreach to retailers, architects, specifiers and consumers is required to reinforce the benefits of buying and using sustainably produced and legal wood and paper products.**
- **Sector trade associations can help their members by providing specific technical and legal advice to meeting legislative requirements. Likewise governments can/should inform all forest-based sector stakeholders about their obligations.**





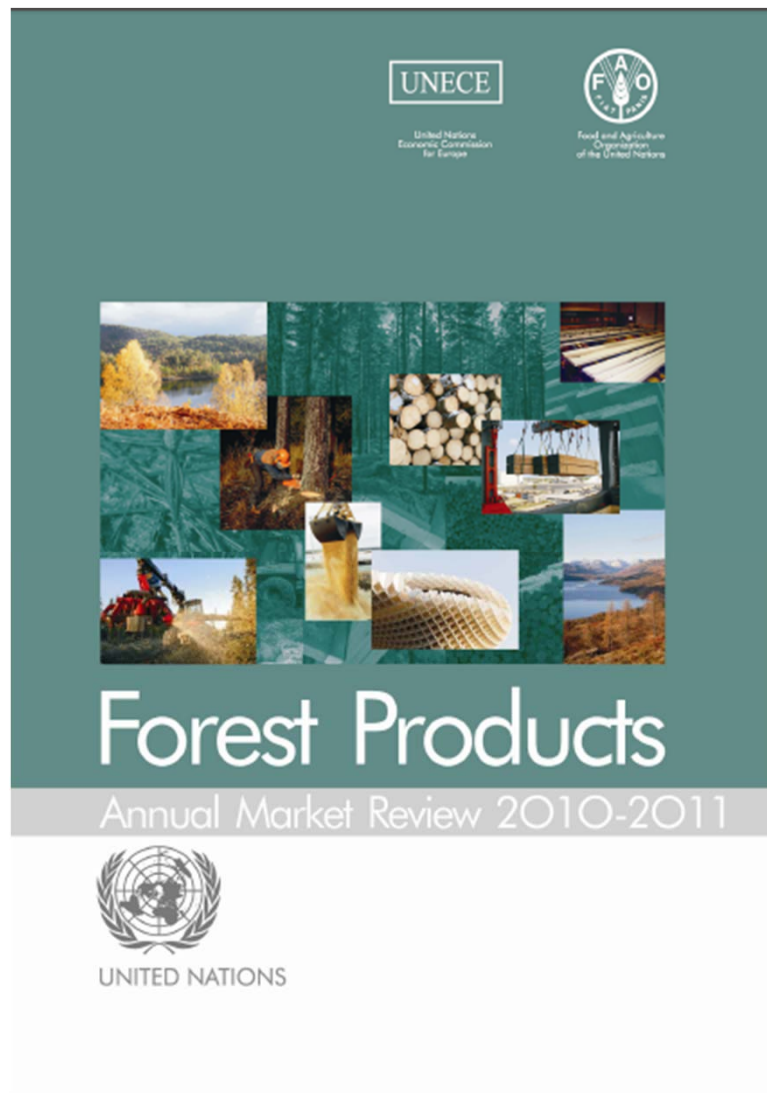
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- Financial supported by Swiss and Finnish governments and CEI-Bois.
- 114 experts
- Many of these people give freely of their time and expertise, others are supported by companies, universities or industry associations, institutions and a variety of organizations



# ToS SFP: activities in 2011



- **the survey of FPAMR users was conducted in 2011**
- **In this survey participated 355 users of FPAMR**, all of which were highly positive about the value and usefulness the Forest Products Annual Market Review.
- Responses had been received from every Member State. They included suggestions to improve usability of the publication via the use of hyperlinks to make it easier to browse the publication and to find underlying data.



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- Wood energy workshop: **“WOOD ENERGY FOR SUSTAINABLE RURAL DEVELOPMENT”**, Belgrade, Serbia, 22nd - 23rd November 2011, supported by FAO and Ministry of agricultural, trade, forestry and water management of the Republic of Serbia
- **135 participants from Serbia and other Western Balkans countries**
- **Main results of TCP/FAO Project, realized in Serbia in period 2009-2011, will be presented on Wednesday morning.**





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## Forest Products Marketing Workshop

30 November - 01 December 2011, Bled, Slovenia

- **Capacity building workshop: “Development of new cooperation for sustainable mobilisation of the forest-based sector in the countries of south east Europe, Bled, Slovenia, 29th November-1st December 2011,** jointly by the Republic of Slovenia (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food and the Slovenian Forestry Institute), FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, UNECE /FAO Forestry and Timber Section, with the support of the Central European Initiative, the Finnish Government and the company Mikran d.o.o.
- At Workshop participated over 30 representatives from Western Balkans countries, as well as from Romania, Slovakia and Ukraine.
- As result from before held workshops from the first one in Novi Sad (2006) until Mavrovo (2010) participants at this Workshop accepted the BLED’s **DECLARATION,**



## ToS SFP: planned activities in 2012

- Continuing cooperation with IUFRO Marketing section
- Preparation of new issue of Forest Products Annual Market Review 2011/2012 ?
- Continuing capacity building workshops in SEEC
- Assisting FAO during process of realization of their Wood Energy Projects in SEEC



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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