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Guidance for Work Area 4: Social and Cultural
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Activities under Work Area 4: Social and Cultural

- 4.1 Implementing sustainable forest management through promoting occupational **safety and health**
- 4.2 Implementing sustainable forest management through promoting best practice in **forest education and training**



Activities undertaken by the JEN in 2011

- Third International Conference of **Forestry Training Centres** in Ossiach (Austria), 6-8 June 2011



- Presentation of the **European Forestry and Environmental Skills Council** (EFESC) : the European Chainsaw Certificate, ConCert (Forestry Entrepreneur Certificate)
 - Adoption of the “**Ossiach Declaration**”, which officially launched EDUFOREST as the pan European Network of Forest Training Centres.
- IUFRO Conference “**Competence development for forestry**” in Freiburg (Germany), 26 September - 1 October 2011



Work plan and Priorities for 2012

- Seminar on the Impact of **Climate Change** on Forestry Work (initially scheduled in October 2011, to be held in Geneva in 2012 or 2013)
- Prevention of **forest fires** through better practices in forestry work
- Improvement of **Safety and Health** through a better implementation of regulations on the ground
- Further development of **EDUFOREST**
- COST Action on “**Forests improving Human Health**”
 - Link to the AP on the Forest Sector in a Green Economy
 - Expected output: Recommendations for local and regional spatial/forest planning, input to FOREST EUROPE discussion on improvement of Criteria and Indicators for SFM



The Working Party is invited to:

- Comment on the events which took place in 2011;
- Discuss the proposed activities for 2012;
- Provide advice on the proposed priority areas.



Thank you for your attention



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