

**DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE OF
UNECE/FAO TEAM OF SPECIALISTS ON
WOOD ENERGY (FOREST BIOENERGY)**

**Reference to Integrated Work Programme: Work Area 1 (Data, monitoring and assessment) and
Work Area 2 (Policy dialogue and advice)**

A. OBJECTIVES:

1. Advise and support the UNECE/FAO secretariat activities in Work Areas 1 and 2 on the methodology, implementation and follow-up of the UNECE/FAO Joint Wood Energy Enquiry and specific studies
2. Contribute to a better understanding of wood energy statistics as a basis for sound policy making.

B. ACTIVITIES:

1. Monitor and analyse policy aspects of use of wood for energy generation and the implications for the forest sector
2. Provide guidance on wood energy parameters (such as heating values and conversion factors) and indicators as well as on data processing and analysis systems and procedures.
3. Build capacity of UNECE member states to develop reliable statistics on wood energy sources and uses.
4. Disseminate information on wood energy.

C. EXPECTED MAJOR OUTPUTS:

1. List of recommendations on methods, analysis and conduct of the Joint Wood Energy Enquiry
2. Suggestions on focus of work on wood energy-related publications and products
3. Improved quality and quantity of replies to the JWEE.

D. BACKGROUND: Since 2003 the Working Party has undertaken a number of efforts to improve the quality of information on wood energy. The Strategic Review suggested (TIM/2012/11, para. 28) creating a team to support the development of data and relevant policy advice on wood energy in the region. The Working Party would continue to review activities.

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METHODS OF WORK	Annual meeting To be determined by the team.
REPORTING	Annually, to the Joint UNECE/FAO Working Party on Forest Statistics, Economics and Management
TEAM LEADERS	To be elected at first Team meeting
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