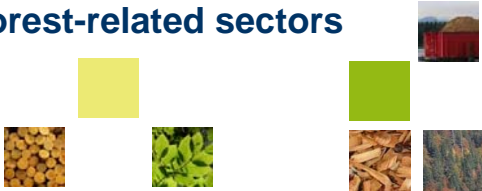


Group C

Implications of increased wood mobilization on main forest-related sectors



1. How to achieve increased income/value for small forest owners?

- *Examine country specific issues and develop country specific solutions, recognizing that there are perhaps three different groupings of countries. (National govt. + appropriate forest owner assoc'ns, UNECE to provide overall framework.)*
- *To give carbon a value at the time it is stored and then to include it in the whole production chain. (Kyoto process)*

2. How to mitigate the negative impact of higher competition for wood on the existing forest-based industries?

- *Examine country specific subsidy policies and develop greater harmonization (European Commission, National govts. via UNECE)*
- *Promote the use of forest products that are not currently used by existing industries and perhaps regions where there is currently no existing market/competition for raw material.(National govts.)*
- *Exploit fully waste products and other sources of biomass e.g. agriculture, post-consumer waste (National govts.)*

3. How to ensure efficiency in sourcing raw material (transport, allocation)/energy generation (electricity vs heat + issue of scale) and improvements in energy efficiency?

- *Introduce minimum standards of efficiency for energy and environmental criteria (Via existing EU/National govt. directives)*
- *Improve quality of information on best practice including education and professional associations*
- *Use incentives in a targeted manner to encourage efficiency*

4. How to encourage integrated planning at the national, regional and local/landscape scale (forest planning, infrastructure and land use)?

- *Develop strategies for the development of bio-energy, that recognize the place of the existing forest-based industries, and the role that forestry can play in fulfilling the strategy*
- *Integrate issues relating to bio-energy into the existing planning frameworks, with the aim of securing sustainable development.*

5. Recognizing the importance of forest certification to provide the safeguards to deliver sustainable forest management and to be able to communicate that, how to

- *a). review existing certification standards to encompass bio-energy raw material*
- *b). ensure a level playing field between forest and agricultural products*