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Members of the Task Force of the ICP Forests
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International Co-operative Programme on Assessment and Monitoring of Air Pollution Effects on Forests (ICP Forests). Invitation letter for the 37th Task Force Meeting and the 9th ICP Forests Scientific Conference (FORECOMON).

Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to announce the 37th Task Force Meeting of ICP Forests that will be held at Swiss Federal Research Institute WSL in Birmensdorf, Switzerland, on 10th and 11th June 2021. Please find attached the kind invitation by Dr Michael Reinhard, head of forest division at the Swiss Federal Office for the Environment FOEN.

The Task Force Meeting will be preceded by the 9th Scientific Conference of ICP Forests, now with the brand name FORECOMON and entitled "Forest Monitoring to assess Forest Functioning under Air Pollution and Climate Change". It will take place between 8th and 9th June 2021. A welcome reception in Zürich on 7th June, and a post-conference excursion in Valais on 11th and 12th June 2021 will be also organized.

Given the circumstances related to the COVID – 19 pandemic, both the Task Force and the Scientific Conference will be organized to permit also a virtual attendance. For detailed information, registration and timelines please visit the ICP Forests website (<http://icp-forests.net/events>) or the conference website (<https://forecomon2021.thuenen.de/>). The registration deadline for both events is 30th April 2021.

Attached please find the provisional agenda. The detailed agenda and the meeting documents will be distributed in due time by the Programme Co-ordinating Centre (PCC).

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Ferretti', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Marco Ferretti

Chairman of the ICP Forests

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