

EVERY TREE COUNTS

Past, present and future of forests in the UNECE region and beyond

UNFF17 side event organized online by the Joint UNECE/FAO Forest and Timber Section



9 May 2022

1:30 - 2:45 pm (New York time) - 7:30 – 8:45 pm (Geneva time)

Background

Successful, sustainable forest management, sustainable development and global forest goals require systematic data and the understanding of their implications for future management. Broad, integrated information systems that monitor the state and trends in the forest sector are key to providing the necessary data for comprehensive regional forecasts. These evolving trends for forest planning and management have broad implications and require regional and interdisciplinary cooperation.

About the side event

Given the abundance and significance of forest-related data, the side event will highlight two relevant approaches of how forest-sector information improves forest governance and management. While the examples might be from the UNECE region, the review of the available tools, as well as upcoming global megatrends and demands, is highly relevant for future-scoping in all countries inside and outside the UNECE region.

The INForest online knowledge platform developed by the **Joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section** provides up-to-date data on forests and the forest sector in an interactive format. This innovative hands-on tool is available for use at <https://forest-data.unece.org/>.

The information about past and current forest conditions and their management is complemented by the recently published UNECE/FAO Forest Sector Outlook Study 2020-2040. This wide-reaching study, available at <https://unece.org/forests/publications/forest-sector-outlook-study-2020-2040>, guides the future planning of sustainable forests and their management and sets the scene for the larger, necessary climate actions.

For more information about the event please visit [here](#)

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Programme

Opening

Liliana Annovazzi-Jakab

Chief, Joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section

Moderation and keynote on forest information systems in decision-making

Stefanie Linser

Deputy Leader of the UNECE Team of Specialists on Monitoring Sustainable Forest Management

Forest and forest management in the UNECE region

The INForest online forest sector knowledge platform**Andrzej Talarczyk**

President of the Forest and Natural Resources Research Centre Foundation, Poland

Forest information management in the Czech Republic**Michal Synek**

Branch Director, Forest Management Institute (FMI), Czech Republic

Forests of the future

Introduction of the Forest Sector Outlook Study**Florian Steierer**

Economic Affairs Officer of the Joint UNECE/FAO Forest and Timber Section

Findings and implications of the Forest Sector Outlook Study**Mart-Jan Schelhaas**

Researcher at Wageningen University, Netherlands

Discussion and questions

Closing