



Implementing criteria and indicators for sustainable forest management

Regional Workshop in

Zagreb, Croatia 26-27 March 2013

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Meeting hours: 9:30 – 17:00 on Tuesday, 26 March (including a lunch and two coffee breaks)

9:00 – 12:30 on Wednesday, 27 March (including a coffee break)

Venue: Svetosimunska 25, 10002 Zagreb at University of Zagreb, Faculty of Forestry

Annotations:

- 1. Opening of the meeting**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Setting the scene - “What is meant by implementing C&I?”**

Various C&I applications are referred and used, but it remains unclear what we mean by *C&I implementation*. Given the developments since the adoption of the improved pan-European C&I set it is time to look back and exchange experience about the fields where the set was implemented in the past. This section will start with an introduction on the CI-SFM project (by Mr Hubert Inhaizer, CI-SFM Project Leader, EFI) and its progress. Following this introduction, country presentations highlighting national C&I implementation are scheduled for:

- Bosnia and Herzegovina (by Mr Bruno Maric)
- TFYR of Macedonia (by Ms Jana Jovanovska)
- Serbia (by Mr Dusan Jovic)

After the country presentations the session will continue with a regional overview (by Ms Marina Miovska, Consultant, EFI), based on the CI-SFM country contributions received during the autumn of 2012.

- 4. Update from other sectors and related processes**

This item includes a summary of the experience in collecting data for the pan-European indicator 4.6 on genetic resources and the recent work by EUFORGEN to improve the data collection and its use at the national and regional levels (by Jarkko Koskela, Bioversity International).

- 5. Working groups on implementation C&I in the Western-Balkans**

After the plenary session working groups will be formed to allow detailed discussions on the next possible steps regarding the future role of the pan-European C&I set. This section will start with an introduction to FOREST EUROPE Expert Group about Further development of Sustainable Forest Management and its tools (by Ms Edurne Lacalle Galdeano, Policy Adviser, FOREST EUROPE), also included in the FOREST EUROPE agenda.

All workshop participants will be divided into 3 working groups according to applications listed in the working definition of implementing the pan-European set of criteria and indicators of sustainable forest management:

- Working group 1 will focus on policy (application 1 and 4),
- Working group 2 will focus on monitoring and reporting (application 2 and 3),
- Working group 3 will focus on the environment (application 5).

The groups will be requested to provide input on national aspects as regards to C&I applications, eventual problems and future/emerging issues. The aim is to find common regional issues based on national inputs; and to define how regional issues may change/emerge in the future as well as problems that may need to be addressed. Ultimately each group's input will be utilised to generate a region-specific list of recommendations as regards to C&I implementation.

6. Report back on recommendations and plenary discussion of recommendations

Based on the working group outcomes, the plenary formulates recommendations for national, regional and pan-European level stakeholders, involved in C&I implementation.

7. Next steps

This section provides information on the upcoming events and the different steps of the CI-SFM project, but also on other related initiatives in the region, including a presentation of the FAO REU activities in the field of Forestry (by Mr Norbert Winkler-Ráthonyi, Forestry Officer, FAO).

8. Closing