


UNECE/FAO
Forestry and Timber Section

REGIONAL FOREST INFORMATION WEEK

21-25 March 2011
Palais des Nations, Geneva

The UNECE/FAO Regional Forest Information Week will feature a series of events and meetings, revolving around the issue of information on forests and forest products in the UNECE region, including:

- A seminar on the state of forests in North America and pan-European region;
- The annual session of the UNECE/FAO Joint Working Party on Forest Economics and Statistics, including a roundtable on forest information challenges in the region;
- A 'zero meeting' on a possible working party to facilitate exchange of expert advice based on the work of UNECE/FAO Teams of Specialists (ToS).

| | Morning 10:00-13:00 | Afternoon 15:00-18:00 |
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| Monday 21 March Seminar on the state of forests in the UNECE Region | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A picture of the present and the past: Overview of twenty years of SFM based on FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) 2010 and State of Europe's Forests (SoEF) 2011 <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Wood resources - status, trends and challenges ■ Criteria and indicators-how useful are they for SFM assessment?  <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> |
| Tuesday 22 March 'Zero meeting' on a possible working party to facilitate exchange of expert advice based on the work of UNECE/FAO Teams of Specialists (ToS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Discussion on ToS priorities and recommendations to the UNECE Timber Committee and the FAO European Forestry Commission <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Discussion on background paper for the establishment of a Working Party to facilitate exchange of expert advice based on the work of UNECE/FAO Teams of Specialists <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> |
| Wednesday 23 March Conclusion of 'zero meeting' and UNECE/FAO Joint Working Party on Forest Economics and Statistics (JWPFES) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consideration of the report of the 'zero meeting' ■ Consideration of the outcome of the 'zero meeting' and implications for WPFES ■ Review and Guidance on Work Area 1 (Markets and Statistics) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ToS on Forest Products Marketing <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Preliminary status of the Joint Wood Energy Enquiry ■ Review and Guidance of Work Area 3 (Forest Sector Outlook) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ToS Forest Sector Outlook <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> |
| Thursday 24 March UNECE/FAO Joint Working Party on Forest Economics and Statistics (JWPFES) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Review of Work Area 2 (Forest Resources Assessment) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ToS on Monitoring Sustainable Forest Management ■ Roundtable on forest information challenges <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Review and Guidance of Work Area 4 (Social and Cultural Issues) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ToS on Forest Fire ■ Forest Communicators Network ■ Joint UNECE/FAO/ILO Expert Network to implement Sustainable Forest Management ■ Review and Guidance of Work Area 5 (Policy and Cross Sectoral Issues) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ToS on Forest Policy in Eastern Europe and Central Asia <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> |
| Friday 25 March Timber Committee/ European Forestry Commission joint Bureaux and Meetings of UNECE/FAO ToS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bureaux meeting (ROOM XV) ■ Meeting of the ToS on outlook (ROOM V) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ToS outlook <p style="text-align: right;">ROOM V</p> |

Relevant documents in support of the different sessions and the registration form are available on the UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber webpages at <http://timber.unece.org/>



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