Description

The FOREST EUROPE Web-based Portal on Forest Ecosystem Services (FES) is a tool that aggregates information on valuation of and payments for FES in one place via simple browsing systems. It enables to support decision-making on FES and select appropriate method for their valuation as well as appropriate financing mechanisms.

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

The first module contains brief introduction to ecosystem services and clarification of three interlinked concepts related to the provision of ecosystem services.

VALUATION

In the second module, interactive schemes were created to provide easy navigation through different valuation methods and access to their case examples collected from FOREST EUROPE signatory countries.

PAYMENTS

To illustrate implementation of FES in Europe and to promote exchange of information and practices on payments for FES, an interactive map of FOREST EUROPE signatory countries has been developed since 2018.

Policy makers have the opportunity to explore existing valuation methods and payment schemes implemented in FOREST EUROPE signatory countries. The web-portal also provides set of recommendations, opportunities and risks associated with valuation of and payments for FES.

The portal comprises three modules:
(i) Introduction to forest ecosystem services;
(ii) Valuation of forest ecosystem services;
(iii) Payments for forest ecosystem services.