

# Pro-active management of forests to combat climate change driven risks

## Policies and measures for increasing forest resilience and climate change adaptation

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*3 - 4 September 2019, Istanbul, Turkey*

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### Day I - 3 September 2019

#### 9:00 - 9:30 Opening and welcome

Bekir Karacabey - *Director General, Directorate General of Forestry, Turkey*

Viorel Gutu - *Subregional Coordinator, FAO Subregional Office for Central Asia*

Representative of FOREST EUROPE

#### 9:30-10:45 Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) needs to be adapted to changing climate

Climate Change and Adaptation Challenge

*Marcus Lindner - EFI*

Operational Level Guidance for Sustainable Use of Genetic Resources of Forest Trees in Climate Change in Central Europe

*Roman Longauer - National Forest Centre, Slovakia*

Potential Adaptation Options for Increasing the Resilience of Forests and the Forest Sector in the View of the Projected Impacts of Climate Change

*Peter Spathelf - Eberswalde, Germany*

Discussion: Adaptation to climate change and Sustainable Forest Management

#### 10:45 - 11:15 Coffee break

#### 11:15 - 12:30 Policies and governance needed to implement adaptation, risk prevention and disturbance management

Rural Development Programmes and State Aid in the EU Supporting Adaptation of Forests to Climate Change

*Tamas Szedlak - European Commission*

Policy and Governance Needs in Response to the Vaia Windstorm Damage in Northeastern Italy - a Call for Multi-actor Collaboration

*Davide Petenella - Italy*

Development of a Cross-sectoral Vegetation Fire Policy for Northern Ireland Based on International Expert Knowledge

*Colum McDaid & Mark Smyth - Northern Ireland, UK*

Implementing Forest Management Applications to Respond to Climate Change Issues

*Mehmet Misir - Turkey*

Discussion: policy and governance needs

#### 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

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**14:00 - 15:30 Countries' experience in implementation of adaptation measures to prevent and mitigate natural hazards**

Enhancement of Ecological Stability of Forest Stands and Their Resistance to Biotic and Abiotic Agents

*Michal Synek - Czech Republic*

Networking to Develop Capacity in Preventing Wildfires - International Knowledge Transfer

*Oriol Vilalta i Caellas - Spain*

Experiences in Managing Drought Impacts and/or Spread of Invasive Species

*Ihor Buksha - Ukraine*

Reacting to Effects of Climate Change on Forests in Turkey: Case of Trace

*Mehmet Özdemir - Turkey*

**15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break**

**16:00 - 17:30 Barriers and drivers for implementation of adaptation measures and disturbance risk prevention in Europe - Panel discussion**

How to shift focus from emergency response to prevention of disturbances and enhancing forest resilience?

How can cross-border collaboration in a Forest Risk Facility be used to spread efficient and cost-effective practices?

How to prepare wood processing industry for changing quality and quantity of wood supplies from European Forests in future?

**17:30 - 18:30 Poster Session**

**19:30 Dinner reception**

**Day II. - 4 September 2019**

**9:00 - 11:00 Developing recommendations for integration of adaptation measures and disturbance risk prevention into SFM and natural resource management**

Presentation of key messages of the first day (presentations and discussion)

Discussion in two groups focusing on

i) adaptation measures

ii) disturbance risk prevention; in a cross-sectoral landscape context

Report back from discussion groups and conclusions

**11:15 - 18:00 Excursion (17:30 drop off possible at the airport)**

*Partners:*

