

**FOREST EUROPE Work Programme – progress implementation**

Activity	Expected outputs	Progress made	Further steps
<p><b>4.1 Further development and updating of policies and tools for SFM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analysis of possible uses of the pan-European C&amp;I subsets and their application at global, regional, sub-regional and national levels</li> <li>Definitions and background information related to new adopted indicators and modified indicators</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishment of the Expert Group on UPEI, and the first meeting held in January 2017 to discuss SFM assessment, implementation of updated SFM indicators and preparation of indicators subsets</li> <li>Second meeting of the Expert Group held in September 2017 to continue discussion on SFM indicators subsets</li> <li>Survey on the national sets of SFM indicators</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of indicators subsets for assessing and communicating the achievements of SFM and addressing other policy areas</li> <li>Considerations on tools to promote and assess SFM</li> <li>Update of Background information for the updated Pan-European indicators for SFM;</li> <li>Update of Relevant terms and definitions used for the updated Pan-European indicators for SFM</li> </ul>
<p><b>4.2 Forest Monitoring and reporting</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborative data collection for elaboration of report on Global Forest Resources assessment 2020</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cooperation with FAO FRA and Joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section (FTS) on the integration of reporting through the common platform hosted by FAO both for global and regional (pan-European reporting)</li> <li>Cooperation with FAO FRA and UNECE/FAO FTS on updating the Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Realization of all tasks resulting from the detailed RoadMap on preparation of the SoEF. More detailed information: <a href="http://foresteurope.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Background_document_SoEF_final-31_10.pdf">http://foresteurope.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Background_document_SoEF_final-31_10.pdf</a></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State of Europe's Forests 2020</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RoadMap on preparation of the SoEF</li> <li>Survey on the reporting for State of Europe's Forests 2015</li> <li>Establishment of the Advisory Group on the preparation of SoEF, first meeting held in September 2017</li> <li>Elaboration of new reporting forms for all altered indicators. Survey on altered indicator 6.4 "Investments in forests and forestry"</li> <li>Update of the questionnaires on quantitative and qualitative indicators in accordance with Updated pan-European Indicators (UPEI)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Realization of all tasks resulting from the detailed RoadMap on preparation of the SoEF. More detailed information: <a href="http://foresteurope.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Background_document_SoEF_final-31_10.pdf">http://foresteurope.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Background_document_SoEF_final-31_10.pdf</a></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pilot studies on new indicators (2.5 Forest land degradation, 4.7 Forest fragmentation, 4.10 Common forest bird species)</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2018</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyses of the background (state of the art, relevant documents) of each new indicator</li> <li>Presentation of findings and preliminary decisions to UNECE/FAO Team of Specialists 2016, 2017, discussions on the issues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reporting of area of degraded forest and supporting qualitative information on all three indicators</li> <li>Cooperation with JRC Ispra on the reporting of forest fragmentation</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of findings and decisions to and discussion with the Expert Group on UPEI and the Advisory Group on the preparation of SoEF</li> <li>• Definition of degraded forest land for the next reporting for SoEF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperation with Eurostat on the reporting and interpretation of Common Bird Species indicator</li> <li>• Data analyses and completion of pilot studies</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reporting on national and pan-European achievements on Goals for European Forests and the European 2020 Targets for Forests</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018-2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analyses of the pan-European Goals for European Forests and the European 2020 Targets for Forests and interpretation of commitments in cooperation between EFI CEEC, LUB and EG UPI</li> <li>• Incorporation of relevant questions resulting from the analyses into SoEF questionnaires</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elaboration of preliminary background document for assessment of progress to Goals &amp; 2020 targets</li> </ul>
<b>4.3 Enhancing the role of SFM in a green economy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop on green jobs and identification of requirements for green jobs in the forest sector</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2017</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Expert Group on Green Jobs, Education and Training Systems; first meeting held on January 2017, second meeting in June 2017; identification of requirements for green jobs and presentation of best examples</li> <li>• Workshop “Promoting Green Jobs in the Forest Sector” organized jointly by Organization of the Joint FOREST EUROPE, UNECE and FAO - June 2017</li> <li>• Formulation of the conclusions from the workshop, see <a href="http://foresteurope.org/event/11934/">http://foresteurope.org/event/11934/</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work completed</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft guidelines on green jobs promotion</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collecting requirements for green jobs, recommendations, best practices presented and conclusions from previous activities.</li> <li>• Establishment of cooperation with IUFRO and IFSA to map new skills requirements in private and public sectors and explore possible cooperation with education sector and academia form more permanent input on skills requirements from the sector</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organization of the Expert Group meetings and online consultations to discuss preparation of the guidelines</li> <li>• Preparation of the guidelines on promotion of green jobs in the forest sector in the pan-European region based on previous and current work of FOREST EUROPE in this field</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop on a long-term competitiveness in the forest sector</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018-2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparatory meeting of Organizing Committee held in September 2017, several online consultations between Liaison Unit, Norway and EUSTAFOR</li> <li>• Preparation of conceptual note and agenda for the workshop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organization of the workshop on the competitiveness of the forest sector in a Green Economy in cooperation with Norway and EUSTAFOR in the first half of 2018</li> </ul>
<b>4.4 Incorporating the value of forests ecosystem services in a green economy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of different approaches, methodologies on valuation of FES and payment schemes existing in the pan-European region</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Expert Group on FES, kick off meeting held in September 2017</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalizing the collection of case examples of valuation methods used in signatory countries</li> <li>• Elaboration of the second part of the Analysis of payment mechanisms for FES</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recommendations for implementation of valuation of and payments for FES</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2017-2018</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elaboration of the first part of Analysis focused on different approaches and methodologies on valuation of FES</li> <li>Collecting of case examples of valuation methods used in signatory countries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collection of case examples of payment mechanisms implemented in signatory countries</li> <li>Formulation of recommendations for implementation of valuation of and payments for FES</li> <li>Organization of the second meeting of the Expert Group to discuss finalization of the above mentioned outcomes</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Web-based portal on FES</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018-2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishment of a demo version of the web-based portal on FES (commenting the demo version by the Expert Group)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalizing the web-based portal on FES</li> </ul>
<b>4.5 Protection of forests in a changing environment including their adaptation to climate change</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Questionnaire survey on the current state of implementation of adaptation measures to climate change at national levels</li> <li>Publication “Integration of adaptation measures into SFM in Europe”</li> <li>Identification of the best practices and recommendations for integration of adaptation measures into SFM</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishment of Expert Group on adaptation of forest to Climate Change, kick-off meeting held in September 2016</li> <li>Organization of the FOREST EUROPE side event “Perspectives and challenges ahead in European cooperation on forests” at 5<sup>th</sup> World Forest Week at FAO in July 2016</li> <li>Preparation of draft questionnaire on implementation of adaptation measures in signatory countries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conduct online survey on the current state of implementation of adaptation measures in the pan-European region</li> <li>Based on the results of the questionnaire survey formulate recommendations and elaborate publication on integration of adaptation measures into SFM in Europe</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workshop on agroforestry strategies</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workshop on protection of forest against hazards and threats</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of conceptual notes for the workshops</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation and organization of the workshops in cooperation with host countries and international organizations working on the topic</li> </ul>
<b>4.6 Enhancing the social dimension of SFM in the context of the benefits of forests to human health and well-being</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of international research data on social aspects of SFM with special attention on impacts and benefits of forests on human health and well-being</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2017-2018</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establishment of Expert Group on Human Health and Well-being (process of experts’ nomination)</li> <li>Preparation of a study on social aspects of SFM with special attention to the benefits and impacts of forests on human health and well-being that will serve as a background document for the first meeting of the Expert Group</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First meeting of the Expert Group to be held in January 2018</li> <li>Review of research existing resources/scientific evidence published in recent 20 years in Europe on social and cultural aspects of SFM in the context of human health and well-being</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workshop on social aspects of SFM</li> <li>Publication containing knowledge and the best practices from the review and the workshop</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2018- 2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of the draft conceptual notes for the workshop</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation of the workshop on social and cultural benefits of forests contributing to human health and well-being with host countries and international organizations working on the topic</li> <li>Based on the outcomes from the workshop, prepare publication containing the best practices and recommendations for the integration of social and cultural aspects into SFM</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of Policy recommendations for strengthening the integration of social and cultural aspects, such as forest recreation, eco-tourism, Forest Pedagogics, green care, forest healing and therapy into SFM in the region leading to diversification of forestry activities and entrepreneurship in the forest sector.</li> </ul>
<b>4.7. Communication and outreach</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing activity</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2020</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New webpage <a href="http://www.foresteurope.org">www.foresteurope.org</a></li> <li>• New communication platform under the FE webpage</li> <li>• 2 video clips about FE and 2 movies on specific actions of WP</li> <li>• Campaigns for International Day of Forests 2017 and International Forest Week 2017</li> <li>• Information brochures, presentations, promo materials - raising awareness between signatories, observers and universities</li> <li>• Newsletters; Social media</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update version of communication strategy</li> <li>• Implementation of communication strategy and plan</li> </ul>
<b>5. Review of the FOREST EUROPE process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final Report of the Working Group comprising recommendations for the future of the FOREST EUROPE process</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2017</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of the Working Group on Future Direction of FOREST EUROPE</li> <li>• First meeting of the Working Group held in October 2016 to discuss questionnaire survey on future direction of FOREST EUROPE</li> <li>• Comprehensive questionnaire survey among signatories and observers</li> <li>• Second meeting of the Working Group held in June 2017 to discuss results of the questionnaire survey and proposal of recommendations for the future of FOREST EUROPE</li> <li>• Preparation of the Final Report of the Working Group including formulation of recommendations for future direction of FOREST EUROPE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submission of the Final Report of the Working Group to ELM</li> <li>• Decision of ELM on implementation of proposed recommendations for the future of the FOREST EUROPE process</li> </ul>
<b>6. Discussion on the follow-up to the Madrid Extraordinary Ministerial Conference</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explore possible ways to find common ground on the Legally Binding Agreement on Forests in Europe</li> </ul> <p><u>Time frame:</u> 2016-2018</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of the technical aspects of the Roundtable Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision of ELM on the date, venue and participation at Roundtable Meeting on LBA</li> <li>• Organization of Roundtable Meeting on LBA concerning all options for the procedural follow-up of the Madrid Extraordinary Ministerial Decision</li> </ul>