



## How to Respond to Forest Disturbances in Europe

4 April 2019 at 9:30 – 18:00, Hotel Grandium, Prague

**Chair:** *Göran Persson, ThinkForest President*

**9:00 Welcome** *Göran Persson*

**9:10 Opening speeches**

*Miroslav Toman, Minister of Agriculture, Czech Republic*

*Gabriela Matečná, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Slovak Republic & Forest Europe*

*Isabel Bombal, Director General, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food and Environ., Spain*

*Representative, Federal Ministry for Food and Agriculture, Germany*

*Marc Palahí, Director, EFI*

**10:10 Climate Change and Global Environmental Challenges**

*Stefan Rahmstorf, Professor, Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, Germany*

**10:30 Climate Change and Forest Disturbances in Europe**

*Rupert Seidl, Professor, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Austria*

**10:50 Bark beetle outbreaks and responses: Presentation of a new EFI study**

*Tomáš Hlásny, Professor, Czech University of Life Sciences*

**11:10 Coffee break**

**11:40 Panel Discussion: How to respond to forest disturbances?**

**Moderator:** *Fiona Harvey, Environment Correspondent, The Guardian*

*Marc Castellnou, Strategic Fire Analyst, Regional Fire Service, Catalonia, Spain (TBC)*

*Reinhardt Neft, Vice President of EUSTAFOR & CEO Bavarian State Forest*

*Tomáš Pařík, Director, Wood & Paper A.S., Czech Republic (TBC)*

*Anke Schulmeister-Oldenhove, Senior Forest Policy Officer, WWF (TBC)*

*Panelist N.N.*

**13:00 EFI video on forest disturbances (TBC)**

**13:05 Closing words**

**13:10 – 14:30 Lunch**

## **Session “Managing and preventing disturbances: Past, present and future”**

**Chair:** *Marcus Lindner, Principal Scientist, EFI*

### **14:30 Increasing the resilience and responsiveness towards forest disturbances: Lessons learnt**

**Introduction:** *Christoph Hartebrodt, Head of Department of Forest Economics and Management, Forest Research Institute Baden-Württemberg, Germany*

**Big European storms:** *Amelia Castro, Regional Private Forest Center, Bordeaux, France*

**Ice storm in Slovenia:** *Damjam Oražem, Slovenia Forest Service, Slovenia*

**Risk interactions:** *Speaker N.N.*

**Conclusions:** *Christoph Hartebrodt*

### **15:10 Panel: How to move forward in coordinating European forest risks**

**Moderator:** *Christoph Hartebrodt*

*Barry Gardiner, Senior Researcher, EFI*

*Thomas Haussmann, Federal Ministry for Food and Agriculture, Germany*

*Ludmila Marusakova, FOREST EUROPE – Liaison Unit Bratislava*

*Katerina Davidenko, Ukrainian Research Institute of Forestry & Forest Melioration*

*Ciaran Nugent, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine, Ireland*

### **16:30 Closing words**

### **16:35 - 18:00 Networking event with wine and snacks**