UNECE/FAO Teams of Specialists Reporting 2014
– Team of Specialist in Forest Communication –
– Forest Communicators Network –

Items for regular reporting to the JWPFSEM
1. Name :
Team of Specialist in Forest Communication – Forest Communicators Network
2. Period covered:
March 2013-June 2014
3. Leader/Deputies and Secretary:
Leader: Mr Ingwald Gschwandtl Deputies: Mr Kai Lintunen, Ms Pille Rõivas, Mr Colin Morton, and Mr Tomass Kotovics Secretary: Paolo Cravero (UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section)
4. Members:
123
5. Countries:
30 countries from the ECE Region and 26 multilateral and international organisations
6. Meetings held:
Berlin, 23-25 April 2014
7. Outputs and impacts achieved during last year:
Video produced for EFW 2013; outreach strategy for the EFW 2013; development of regional communicators networks in Asia, Africa, Latin America and MENA and FCN involvement in the global coordination group; International Day of Forests 2014 events in Geneva, New York and several countries; continued support for the FCN-Sub-Group on

Forest Pedagogics; best practice examples in forest communication presented by countries and organizations; messages to communicate the impact of the forest sector on greening the economy; contributions to a two-pager with questions regarding the importance of forests for SDGs; establishment of an FCN Strategic Task Force.
8. Outputs and impacts expected for coming year:
Update of the Strategic Framework on Forest Communication in Europe; recommendations for the International Forest Day 2015, the European Forest Week 2015 in Engelberg/Switzerland and other relevant major events; annual FCN meeting in Barcelona in spring 2015; established 'Google Group' or a similar system for more regular interaction among FCN members; interconnection and experience exchange with other regional forest communicators networks.
9. Issues for the attention of the Secretariat and the Working Party:
10. Comments, lessons learned:
Open membership policy is crucial for successful FCN work, meaning, that all sharing the FCN objectives laid down in its mandate are welcome to join in.

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